

Institutional Distinctiveness 2023-24

SARBATI DEVI WOMEN'S COLLEGE was established in the year 1981 in this small but cosmopolitan town of RAJGANGPUR with the patronage of renowned philanthropist late Sri. Panalal Agrawal with a view to providing education to local girls in the name of his wife Sarbati Devi. But, now the College has grown into an important Centre of learning for women catering to the needs of all categories of students of Sundargarh District as well as other parts of the state. The College was inaugurated by Sj. Gangadhar Mohapatra, the then Minister, Education and Youth services, Govt. of Odisha on 18.10.1981 with Sj. Kishore Chandra Patel, the then Minister of State, Industries as guest of honour. Sj. Harmohan Pattnaik, I.A.S., Collector and District Magistrate, Sundargarh was the first President and Sj. Nandkishore Agrawal, Industrialist, was the first General Secretary of the Managing Committee.

The biggest asset of College is its team of dedicated teaching and non-teaching staff whose continuous and sincere efforts have helped the College to pass through 40 years in materializing the goals and objectives and give a new direction. Since, this college is situated in a rural area and is imparting women education at the lowest cost, the institution could fulfill the dreams of the many rural and economically backward Women of Odisha. The HEI is having 11 departments through Honours programmes (B.A. & B.Sc.).

Being attracted by its reputation in its academic excellence, a large number of rural students with good academic records take admission in different courses of the college every year. No tuition fee is collected from the students, SC and ST student as per the direction of the state Government. The College also provides different type of scholarships and free-ships to Girl students and economically backward students. Gender sensitization programs are also seen in the different programs of the college - such as Lectures/Seminars, Sports, Cultural competitions and also in NCC, NSS, YRC and Rovers ranger units of this college. Students participate with full enthusiasm in each and every unit (academic as well as extra-curricular activities) of the college. Additionally, local people also use college campus for running, walking, and the play grounds for daily practice and it also provides logistic support to local athletes every day for their development. In order to ensure physical fitness to students and the youth, the Gym remains open for three hours in the morning and 3 hours in the evening for its use. The HEI also allows its infrastructure for the use of the Local administration in various government sensitization programs, conducting general Elections, General Election Training programs, Centre for Learners Driving license and COVID 19 management etc. Therefore, we can say the college provides quality education and opportunities for intellectual and emotional growth through different programs which are relevant and responsive to the needs of the rural and educationally backward society of this region of the state.

The Priority

Our college provides quality education vis-a- vis encourage them to participate in extra-curricular activities like NSS, NCC, YRC, and sports along with cultural and literary activities. This year the college is going to implement ISO certification which ensures the quality, safety, and efficiency of educational services provided by institution. We have adopted Quality Management, Environment Management and Energy Management policy for the same and got ISO 9001, 14001, & 50001 certificates in the respective fields.

QUALITY MANAGEMENT POLICY

SARBATI DEVI WOMEN'S COLLEGE has taken policy which will apply to the College management, faculties, staff, students, and others associated with the college.

The Policy of the college is to:

- facilitate high quality and excellent learning experience for a diverse range of learners that will support lifelong learning and provide skills expected that of graduates
- Value, support and recognize excellence in teaching
- Meet the needs and expectations of our stakeholders
- facilitate learning by providing the academic support infrastructure and environment conducive to the provision of the highest standards in teaching and learning
- provide equitable access and broadening participation in higher education which are fundamental to "knowledge societies"
- Provide quality of opportunity i.e., the provision of opportunity to progress to higher qualifications or to secure employment commensurate with the qualification acquired at the college.
- Aim at continuous improvement in the quality and service provided.
- Obtain the commitment of all employees in the organization to quality as a collective responsibility.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Sarbati Devi Women's College is committed to environmental sustainability and recognizes the importance of protecting and preserving the environment for present and future generations. We strive to minimize our environmental impact and promote sustainable practices throughout our operations, education programs, and campus community.

Key Principles:

 Compliance: We are dedicated to complying with all applicable environmental laws, regulations, and permits, as well as other requirements to which we subscribe. We continuously monitor and assess our compliance status and take proactive measures to ensure adherence to environmental standards.
Pollution Prevention: We aim to prevent pollution by reducing, reusing, and recycling materials wherever possible. We encourage responsible consumption and waste management practices, including the reduction of energy and water usage, proper waste segregation, and the promotion of sustainable procurement.
Resource Efficiency: We are committed to conserving natural resources by promoting efficient resource use across our facilities. This includes implementing energy-efficient technologies, optimizing water consumption, and encouraging sustainable transportation options for our students, faculty, and staff.
Environmental Education: We believe in the power of education to drive positive environmental change. We integrate environmental education and awareness initiatives into our curriculum, empowering our students to become environmentally responsible individuals and future environmental leaders.
Biodiversity and Ecosystem Protection: We recognize the importance of biodiversity and the preservation of ecosystems. We strive to protect and rectore patural babitate on our campus, promote surfacinable.

of ecosystems. We strive to protect and restore natural habitats on our campus, promote sustainable landscaping practices, and raise awareness about the value of biodiversity among our students and the wider community.

6. Collaboration and Stakeholder Engagement: We actively engage and collaborate with our stakeholders, including students, faculty, staff, local communities, regulatory authorities, and industry partners. By fostering open dialogue and partnerships, we aim to identify and implement innovative solutions that address environmental challenges collectively.

7. Continuous Improvement: We are committed to continuously improving our environmental performance. We set measurable objectives and targets, regularly monitor our progress, and implement corrective actions when necessary. Through periodic management reviews, we assess the effectiveness of our environmental

management system and strive for continual improvement.

This environmental policy is communicated to all students, faculty, staff, and stakeholders. It serves as a guiding framework for our environmental decision-making, planning, and actions. We are dedicated to promoting a culture of sustainability and environmental stewardship at Sarbati Devi Women's College.

ENERGY MANAGEMENT POLICY

Energy derived from fossil fuels is an important and finite resource. The use of energy has economic, environmental, and ethical dimensions.

This organization is committed to be responsible use of energy in order to:

- Minimize energy use and costs.
- Contribute positively to the national targets for greenhouse gas emissions.
- Educate its staff on energy usage.
- Contribute to a more sustainable society.

Key points to consider in relation to this policy:

- Each member of the organization has a role to play in conserving energy.
- Energy conservation will result in the reduction in waste, will have significant environmental benefits and allow financial resources to be invested in other important areas.

NOTES

As an Institution the IQAC is actively working towards Initiation, Introduction, Dissemination and Implementation of practices that have an overall impact on Holistic Development. The entire Leadership of the College though wishes to bring about and introduce New Concepts/Approaches but is bound by Government Rules & Regulations thereby impacting the Pace of Execution on several occasions. However a Futuristic/Progressive, Roadmap/Blueprint is worked upon before the beginning of every Academic Session.