

Academic year 2022-2023

INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

Vision: Empowerment for social transformation through holistic education with a humane approach.

Mission: To initiate positive social change through equal opportunity and diverse approaches, in a healthy, responsive & inclusive environment.

The Government College of Arts, Science & Commerce, Sanquelim – Goa was established in 1988 and aims to provide high-quality higher education to distant regions of the state, especially in and around Sanquelim. Thirty-five years later, the college is still committed to upholding the vision and mission statement's essential ideals. The college works to make sure that none of its students—regardless of their background—are denied, demoralized, or disadvantaged in any way in order to foster the development of healthy personalities in the students.

The institution serves the higher education needs of students from around 100 villages as it is located in a tranquil setting at the intersection of two significant Goan talukas, Sattari and Bicholim. The college is fortunate to have a unique blend of urban and rural lifestyles. About 200-person workforce handles the students' administrative and academic needs. The college offers a wide range of disciplines and subject combinations, catering to the different needs of our students. It contains sixteen undergraduate departments, four postgraduate departments viz Mathematics, Economics, English and Hindi. Two departments are the part of research cluster along with other colleges. The college offers safe space for all of our students to pursue higher education, irrespective of their gender, sexual orientation, caste, or religion.

At the onset of every academic year, a "Student Induction" session is conducted to familiarize students with the operational procedures of the college. The college has a library with literature spanning many academic fields. It consists of reading portions for both educators and learners. The campus features computerized e-Granthalaya, internet journals accessible through the INFLIBNET N-List application, and wifi.

During the academic year 2022–2023, the institution has offered a three new vocational degree i.e. Bachelor of Vocational Studies in Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance. A range of experts are imparting their expertise based on their experiences, which helps our students reach their full potential. The primary goal of the course is to give the target group opportunity to become familiar with the possibilities of self-employment, practical work experience practices, and the work cultures of related businesses.

The vision and mission of the college are deeply rooted in promoting women's empowerment. The college provide specialized resources to empower female employees and students. Continuous security measures are in place across all campus blocks, with round-the-clock stationed guards ensuring safety. Security team includes women guards, enhancing confidence and security for female staff and students. Furthermore, designated female-only common areas equipped with essential amenities like sanitary napkin dispensers and incinerators contribute to a comfortable environment. Additionally, college's NCC wing exclusively focuses on nurturing female cadets, aiming to cultivate them into resilient and independent individuals.

Two counsellors work with students one-on-one and in groups as part of the Psychological Counselling Cell on a regular basis. The presence of a male and a female counsellor in the cell guarantees that students can easily seek assistance according to their comfort level. To assist students with their counselling needs, the counsellors are available both in-person and over the phone. Additionally, the college holds mentorship sessions in which instructors are tasked with supporting approximately 10 students, emphasizing their academic and overall development.

Through programs like NSS, NCC, Eco Club, Science Club, and Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat (EBSB), the college instils a sense of social responsibility towards the community. Our goal is to develop our pupils into exceptional athletes, NCC cadets, NSS volunteers, and cultural ambassadors. Ten finest all-rounder's are recognized annually in a various categories, including athletics, behaviour, best NCC cadet, NSS volunteer, etc.

As a leading educational institution in the state, our college distinguishes itself by embracing cutting-edge classroom and pedagogical technology. Alongside our language lab and specialized labs for commerce, economics, and mathematics, we are proud to feature fully functional smart boards in the majority of our learning spaces.

The college has a seminar hall and an auditorium with the newest sound equipment. These are employed to arrange conferences, workshops, and seminars at the state level, national and worldwide. These are employed in the organization of conferences, workshops, seminars at the state, national, and international levels, guest lectures, and extracurricular events.

The college offers state and federal government scholarships and student aid funds to help students achieve their financial needs. Some of the staff members are also provide customized scholarships.

To make sure that students have a connection to the natural world, the institution has designed a variety of courses, such as mangrove ecology and gardening skill-enhancement course. A butterfly garden, a biogas facility to treat wet waste, and a

nursery of medicinally significant plants are also maintained by the college on site.

In order to give students an outside-of-class experience, the college places a strong emphasis on experiential and real learning. Every department is well organized and dynamic. All of the departments provide the greatest learning environment possible for the students and are very active in planning and organizing a variety of imaginative and competitive events. The college encourages its various departments, to organize various social awareness programs, conduct of short-term certificate courses, field trips, activities that introduce students to social life, at least one session per semester on morals and values, and interactive session by an alumnus.

The college also makes an effort to conduct community services by implementation of activities such as adoption of a village/s under initiative like Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan.

The institution also publishes an official research journal, Latitude, once a year. Its goal is to promote theoretical and empirical research in a range of disciplines and add to the body of knowledge that can enhance the process of teaching and learning.

The college's Divyangjan-friendly architecture complete with ramps, elevators, and designated parking, is one of its most identifiable features.

Every year, the placement cell organizes placement drives where students can participate in interviews and make their first step into the job. A considerable portion of pupils pursue their higher studies in diverse professions.

The most empowering area of information that a college can impart to its students is financial literacy. Students are offered the annual Financial Literacy Awareness Programme (FLAP) in order to accomplish this goal.

The college is very proud of its accountability and transparency in terms of finances, academics, and administration. The aforementioned endeavours, supported by the college's aspirational academic and administrative divisions, all help to meticulously bring the vision and mission statement to life.