

7.3.1 Portray the performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its priority and thrust within 1000 words

HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT OF STUDENTS FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE OF YOUTH POPULATION

PES's Modern College of Arts, Science and Commerce believe in the holistic development of the student population. We trust the fact that holistic nurturing of our students by providing them with a robust ecosystem will support in Nation building. Our focus is on developing the physical, intellectual, emotional and social abilities of the student population who would sustain in the competitive world and progress in their career overcoming all the challenges of 21st century on their way. The college focuses on inculcating necessary life skills and values in the students so as to produce a responsible citizen population.

At the entry level of the Undergraduate courses, we have students who come from economically weaker section and most of them are first learners of their family. The financial support is an essential element of their education. Students from Reservation Category and Economically backward section is encouraged to avail the DBT Scholarships and other free ships. Students are provided counseling services to select a particular course as per their interest and to have good career prospects. Students coming from Science stream after completing their 10+2 level, realize that they have more interest in Commerce or Arts stream. The students from such background are admitted to Interdisciplinary courses as per the eligibility norms of affiliated University and are supported by providing information about the Bridge courses available which helps a smooth transition of their academic journey to a new stream. Also, it is observed that many girl students in and around the college campus are forced to stop their education because of marriage and financial problems of the family. Many of the married students have a gap of many years and lose hopes of continuing their educational journey. We, at the College take efforts to identify such Girl students, encourage and boost their confidence to complete their Graduation process. We offer many skill based certificate courses and allied sessions for all the students which definitely encourage them to indulge into some or other business activities. Students are provided with information about the seed fund Agencies and other fund raising sources. All the support and guidance is regularly imparted so as to channelize them towards entrepreneurship and start up initiatives.

Most of the students have completed their schooling in vernacular language and lack in communication in English there by losing confidence in their career at global platform. The college provides various linguistic development activities taking into consideration the Global scenario about importance of English and other foreign languages. Students are encouraged to enhance their linguistic skills on the through various sessions such as presentations, reading articles, group discussions, seminars etc. Students are encouraged to contribute their skills by participating in various competitions and organizing various events in the college which include preparing strategic plan for the event, Budget, anchoring stage management, volunteering etc. The faculty members as mentors, assist the students to inculcate self belief and confidence in themselves.

For the emotional progress of the students a variety of guest sessions and interactions with expert resources from different fields are organized which help the students to recognize and realize their strengths and weaknesses and capabilities. These lectures provide insights on the problems such as

negative thoughts, confused emotions, lack of confidence, anger issues etc. Mental Health Day is celebrated to create the awareness regarding importance of Mental Health. A rally is also arranged to spread the Mental Health awareness in nearby community.

Induction Programme is another very important event for the students in order to make their academic journey in the college more comfortable and fruitful. Induction Programme is planned as per the guidelines provided by the Affiliated University. It covers sessions for Personality Development, Entrepreneurship Development, Research-Innovation –Start ups, Corporate Etiquettes, Awareness about Cyber Crime and Preventive Measures, Use of Library as a Knowledge Resource, Importance of Health and Hygiene, Placement Activities in the college.

Regular parents meetings are organized in online and offline mode which helps to communicate the students' progress and other issues to their parents. This interaction helps to know the parents' views, suggestions and their inputs towards the development of college functioning. Many parents share their experiences in their respective fields which help us to understand the background of the students and accordingly guide them for their all-round development. Stakeholder's participation in this mode provides inputs to enhance the students' performance in academics as well as in co-curricular activities.

By providing all the three streams for the Undergraduate Courses namely Arts, Commerce and Science, the college believes in offering a wide variety of courses to the students at the entry point. The Choice Based Credit System initiated by the Affiliating University offers good academic flexibility to the students for their comfortable and resourceful academic journey. Teachers are using different teaching and learning methods to help the students in understanding the concept and enhance their learning capabilities so as to visualize the application of their knowledge in variety of domains. Teachers take efforts to use teaching learning methods which are student centric involving problem solving, participative learning through interactions and experiential learning by means of field visits, events etc. Problem solving through case studies help develop logical and analytical abilities of the students. Teachers are encouraged to up skill their knowledge by attending FDPs, Seminars, Hands-on Workshops and conferences. Various Research based activities are carried out in the college to inculcate research attitude among the teaching faculties and the students. Documentary Club is established to inculcate values which will make the students realize about their social responsibility and enhance their contribution in nation building activities. Technology supported infrastructure, safe and secured premises provide additional boost for the development of our students.

This comprehensive approach ensures that the students are well-acquainted with the skills, values and resilience needed to address the complex challenges of the modern world and contribute meaningfully to a more equitable and sustainable future.