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7.3. Institutional Distinctiveness

7.3.1 – Provide the details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust in not more than 500 words

Performance of the institution in an area distinctive to its priority and thrust

Ours is a rural College. The typical location may boast of a sprawling, huge campus of about 27 acres of land with centrally situated pond, a big 11-sided football ground at the frontal entry, several big trees and green vegetation. Using this environmental surrounding as a ready and friendly resource becomes a natural priority for us. We adopt and gear up many of our institutional policies with a view to sustaining campus life in the lap of nature. While opulent Mother Nature sustains us, we try to stay alert to the need for curating and adequate protection so that our dependence does not become a way of mere exploitation. So environmental sustenance that promotes the overall health of the stakeholders defines our distinct thrust and we tend to do it along ways that act as a buffer against the depletion of sustainable resources.

The College has a Nature Club that acts as a nodal agency for promotion and sustaining of values that inculcate a general attitude of reciprocity vis-a-vis the immediate surroundings. Thus, augmenting the greenery through human intervention, the Departments of History and Physical Education have undertaken gardening projects – one at the second entry point and the other adjacent to the ground floor of the Gymnasium Building – as a good measure at beautification. The endeavour ensures direct participation of the students who do everything from maintaining the garden throughout the season. Department of Botany also maintains such garden adjacent to the Bio-science Building. The College Authority further takes a direct initiative in maintaining a garden adjacent to the northern bank of the pond as a fillip to beautification and encouraging other stakeholders to take similar initiatives in the desired direction.


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We have a long-established Medicinal Garden with a number of rare and big trees. It is our institutional effort at preservation and sustenance of plant life with medical attributes that has its rightful place in the environmental register. For sustaining water life, the pond is regularly leased out to private vendors. Fishes are being grown commercially which generates annual revenue and also ensures cleaning of the water body. For fortification of the embankment, *Shaal* logs and wooden frames have been used as part of the 100 Days Work Project to save the banks from usual erosion.

As an institutional component of the global ambit of Eco-Feminism, we have a Women Cell to look after the various institutional and workplace needs of our girl students and women teachers and staff. Seminars and discussions are regularly held. The predominant social discourse and practices often naturalise various pockets of repression and exploitation. So we try to merge the ecological and feminine issues that often have a common basis and goal by upholding the centrality of the Mother Spirit as a nurturer and sustainer of life as a whole.


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