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St. Joseph's Girls Degree College

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Distinctiveness of the Institution

St. Joseph's Girls Degree (PG) College, Sardhana is situated in rural area, catering the needs of the girls coming from almost 35 nearby villages. It is indeed a blessing to provide education to girl students who are unable to visit far off colleges in Meerut. The college has an affluent position among the students and the local people of the society. It has a name and fame and is considered one of the best and safest institution for girls. Various courses run by the institution benefit the girl in various ways.

Empowering women through knowledge and Education

We strongly believe in the age old dictum that Knowledge is Power. Good and value based knowledge leads to emancipation. This is more pertinent for us as ours is a women college. B.Ed. training in itself is a marked step in providing vocational education to the student. Various activities like field visits, industries visits, schools visit and other social visits are carried through NSS and SJSEP. The staff provides special assistance to the weak student through remedial classes. Different cells and committees are dedicated to help the students. Women students are made aware of their rights and leadership quality is imbibed in them. Various opportunities are created for the students to participate actively in curricular and co-curricular activities. We visualize our students as integral part of the society who work towards eradication of gender inequality while acquisition of higher education. We are always conscious of the quality of education provided to the students. For this purpose, apart from the traditional methods of teaching and learning different types of innovative methods and techniques have been adopted by the college like ICT enabled presentations, use of Smart Board, guest lectures, publication of the college Magazine, interdisciplinary seminar and workshops, theme based exhibition by different departments of the college, educational tours and so on. During the lockdown in the pandemic situation due to COVID-19, online classes were conducted efficiently and different links for use of E-content were provided to the students. Value education class every morning and daily prayer during assembly imbibe ethical and moral values amongst students. Half yearly exams conducted

in the college are good practice to evaluate the performance of the students of class room teaching. overall development and excellence of students mark the success of the college. The college is able to educate the rural girls and help them to stand on their feet due to B.Ed. training and other add-on courses run by the college.

Empowerment of girls through financial assistance

Our objective is to enlighten the girl students from socially and economically backward sections of the society and ensure that financial disability is not a constraint for the needy learner to pursue college education. Hence the college strives to provide different types of financial assistance, scholarships and endowments to the students or help in facilitating scholarships and financial assistance provided by the government and different non- governmental organizations. Students who are financially backward are able to complete their studies in our college through free ships, scholarship and fee concession. The college during the lockdown also helped several students hailing from financially weak background through partial or complete waiver of examination fees, Practical fees, Laboratory Fees, Library fees and caution money etc. Through SJSEP (St. Joseph's Societal Expansion Program) the weak students of schools in our locality are helped by teaching and providing necessary things for studies.

Empowerment through co-curricular, extra-curricular and extension activities

We believe that education entails comprehensive development of the learners personality. The learners are encouraged to participate in co-curricular, extra-curricular and extension activities like participating in seminars and workshops, group discussions, cultural programme, Sports, NSS, participate in educational tours. The college also motivates the learners of the college to help the children of neighbourhood locality. These activities play a significant role in developing the personality of the student, increase their self-esteem, built their confidence, make them socially aware of current burning issues in the society and practically empower them to handle the larger issues and problems of the society. They also develop a sense of gratitude and indebtedness to the institution and respect for the society. College sports team has proved it to be winning team in various sports. Seminars and webinars are organized to help the students to express their views confidently on different topics. The college magazine and competition provide a platform to express the thoughts and views of student and enhance their confidence and develops writing skill.

Empowerment through skill development and rendering the learners employable

The college offers skill development courses through various add on courses such as computer, Art & Aesthetics, Culinary, English Speaking, Yoga etc. we added 2020-21 new Add on course in tailoring for girls. These skill development courses are open to the learners of the institution as well as women participants of the institution. These courses create off-campus employment opportunities for the beneficiaries or inspire them to become self-employed. The unique outcome is that, the learners of our institution, immensely benefited from enrolling in these courses in previous years. This practice in itself distinguishes us from the rest. A Memorandum of

Understanding has been signed with Surabhi Foundation, St. Charles School, Lokpriya Inter college, Christ deemed to be university, Spinning Mill Pvt Ltd, to enhance skills of the students making them financially independent, irrespective of their education or social standing.

Empowerment through Student Counselling and Career counselling

The college creates a platform for student counselling through mentoring system. The students can also avail the different opportunities in career counselling that are arranged by the college authorities from time to time. The students and their guardians also benefit from informal counselling with the Principal and the teachers on specific problems of continuing education, early marriage and other social and sensitive issues. During the lockdown, various webinars on women empowerment (mission Shakti) , titled Mental Health of Students and Parents, especially for Girls Students and Mothers, safety and security of women, raising voice on domestic violence, coping up with emotional trauma during the Pandemic Situation were organized The institute has a practice of mentor-mentee system and peer teaching. Every teacher mentors a specific group of students and assists them in their academics and issues pertaining to life.