

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

Response:

With certain goals such as developing the society and uplifting the marginal as well as deprived community through the skill-based quality education, creating awareness for the preservation of the environment, inculcating a sense of devotion and self-less service towards the society and nation, our founder President Shri. Annasaheb Dange established Hon. Shri. Annasaheb Dange Arts, Commerce and Science College in 1998 at Hatkanangale. Keeping the vision, mission and goals of the institution in our mind, we strive for the holistic development of our students through offering wide array of programs, inclusive policies and vibrant career counseling programs. Right now, our institute offers fifteen UG programs, three PG programs including traditional as well as professional courses like BCA. Besides, we offer certificate courses and skill based courses on a large scale. Further, the institution works distinctively in the area of community service. However, as per the requirement of this metric, we are providing information of institutional distinctiveness in one area as below:

Support and Honour to the Marginalized Group of the Society and Meritorious Outcome in Academic, Sports and Extension Work

During the last five years, our institution performed distinctively in the area of supporting and honoring the people from marginalized group of the society and constantly takes an effort to achieve meritorious outcome in academic, sports and extension work. Following is a brief summary of the performance of our institution.

Financial Assistance to old People living in Old Age House: Instead of celebrating valentine day, our institution celebrates Roti Day on 14th February every year. With the contribution of our faculty, staff, students and alumni, the institution collects considerable quantity of food-grains and clothes and donates the same to the Janaki Vruddhashram (old age house) at Ghosarwad every year. In the year 2022-23, we invited the people from Janaki Vruddhashram (old age house) and offered them financial assistance for their daily purposes. On 30th June 2023, our institution visited to Shanti-Kunj Vruddhashram (old age house) and donated food-grains, fruits, clothes and considerable amount in cash.

Financial Support through Donations: Our institution has encouraged the faculty and staff to donate some amount to Sant Dnyaneshwar Shikshan Sanstha Islampur and that institute will in

turn support the residential schools as per the available amount. About six people donated Rs. 300000/- in the year 2022-23. Besides, individual faculty members donate considerable amount to the needy people as per their requirement. Mr. Ramesh Patil donated five thousand rupees to one of the alumni for medical purpose. Mr. Raigonda Mudhole donated five thousand rupees to one person. Mr. Digambar Kulkarni donated 3000 to Konkan Kala and Shikshan Sanstha, etc. We also offered financial assistance worth Rs. 5000/- to our Alumni Hema Jadhav as a part of support for medical treatment. During the Covid Pandemic and Flood calamities, our institution deposits about Rs. 100000/- to PM and CM Care Fund Accounts.

Providing Bicycles to Girl Students for Daily Commute: To spread education among the girl students is one of the important goals of our institution. Therefore, our institute takes different initiatives such as conducting survey on the status of women education and counseling girl students regarding their future education etc. Among these efforts providing bicycles to girl students is an outstanding initiative of the institution. Most of the girl students commute towards the college from nearby villages and they have to face a number of problems such as scarcity and irregularity of transportation. Considering this problem, our institution with support from Rotary Club provided bicycles for ten girl students for daily commute every year.

Distributing Masks, Medicine and Sanitary Pads to the Needy People: In order to inculcate a sense of selfless service and instilling the culture of giving (donating) useful things to others among the students, the institution organized a number of community service related activities. During the Covid Pandemic, our institution distributed masks in the society and offered medicine to the needy people. The Sachetana Mandal/Women Empowerment Cell organized counseling program on women health issues and AIDS and offered about 100 sanitary pads to the girl-students.

Felicitation of Wives of Martyrs, Ex-Military Men and the unsung heroes (also their heirs) of India's Freedom Struggle: Department of History received two lakhs rupees as a seminar grant from ICSSR to organize seminar on Unsung Heroes of India's Freedom Struggle and during this seminar, the institution invited such unsung heroes and their heirs and honored them as a part of paying tribute to their invaluable contribution in India's freedom struggle. After the seminar, the seminar proceeding containing 20 research papers was published and distributed among the participants as well as some other institutes bringing the wide publicity to the contribution of these unsung heroes of India's struggle. Besides, the wives of Martyrs and Ex-military men were also felicitated and honored during the last five years.

Meritorious Outcomes in Academic, Sports and Extension Work: The institution also performed distinctively in the academic, sports and extension works and we have good outcomes in these areas. The institution has well qualified and resourceful faculties and it provides an adequate learning infrastructure (physical, academic and ICT infrastructure) to all learners. Because of our constant efforts in academics, five students stood in University Merit list and thus they represented our college at university levels. The outstanding coaching as well as sufficient availability of sports infrastructure and equipments leads our students at state, national and international levels. Two of the sports students (Mr. Ajinkya Redekar and Ms. Ashwini Malage) received Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Award from Government of Maharashtra for their outstanding performance in sports. Besides a few of the sports students/alumni got selected in Pro-Kabaddi League and Kho-Kho league of various states. One more significant achievement in this area is the representation of our college at international level in Thailand and Uzbekistan. Mr. Kambogi, our sports student was the captain of ----- and Ms. Ashwini Malage won the medal in weight lifting game in Uzbekistan. Dr. Sunita Telsinge, NSS program officer from our college represented our college at university, state and national level through her participation as contingent leader of regional, state and national parade camp at Maharashtra, Gujarat and Delhi.

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