

RAMAKRISHNA SARADA MISSION VIVEKANANDA VIDYABHAVAN

AQAR 2016-2017

Section B: Details in respect of the following (attach separate sheet).

1. Activities reflecting the goals and objectives of the college

Goals and Objectives:

- To impart holistic education in a disciplined and peaceful atmosphere
- To encourage an all-round development of the students by nurturing and strengthening their physical, intellectual, moral, and spiritual faculties.
- And ultimately to create self-reliant human beings with humane principles and a strong sense of responsibility towards society.

Activities reflecting the above: **Annexure 1.**

2. New academic programmes initiated (UG and PG)

PG – Philosophy (Self-financing 2-year course, affiliated to the West Bengal State University).

3. Innovations in curricular design and transaction:

No such scope. Curriculum designed by the parent university, WBSU. The department of Education organized and hosted a Teachers' Workshop on the UG Syllabus on 15/9/2016.

4. Inter-disciplinary programmes started:

The college is not empowered to initiate any such programme. But departments often collaborate on students' projects, and teachers from one department are invited to speak at other departments on specialized topics. The departments of Education and Philosophy collaborated on a wall magazine on The Theory of Knowledge, as did Economics and Political Science on Terrorism. Prof Payal Bose Biswas of the department of Political Science and Dr. Soma Marik of the department of History spoke to the students of the department of Philosophy on Democracy and on Marxian Feminism 25.1.17 and 3.3.17 respectively. The departments of Human Rights and Psychology jointly organized a Seminar titled 'Disabled Persons and their Rights.'

5. Examination reforms implemented :

No such scope, college has to follow the centralized end-term examination structure. However, regular class tests and unit/mid-term tests are taken, checked answer scripts shown to students, and parents are called if felt necessary. Re-tests are also conducted.

6. Candidates qualified: NET/SLET/GATE etc.

NET: 02

SET: 04

7. Initiative towards faculty development programme

Refresher Course:

1. Aditi Das, Dept. of Journalism & Mass Communication.1/6/16-21/6/16.Burdwan University
2. Dr. Payal Bose Biswas, Dept. of Political Science. 13/2/17-10/3/17. Jawaharlal Nehru University

UGC Sponsored International Level 7-Day Workshop:

Debrupa Das, Dept. of Bengali.20/1/17- 26/1/17.Jadavpur University

8. Total number of seminars/workshops conducted:

1. Curriculum Workshop (Dept. of Education and WBSU)
2. UGC-Sponsored 2 day Seminar: Women's Journey towards Empowerment: Myth or Reality?
3. Human Rights Law Network and Samabhabana, jointly organized a Workshop on Gender Awareness and Sexual Harassment at Workplace/Campus on 15 th November, 2016.
4. Aseminar organized by the alumni of the Department of Philosophy on'Theory of Knowledge: Western Perspective'on12th September 2016.

9. Research projects

a) Ongoing

1. Dr. SaheliRoychowdhury. Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science
Discourse in the Miniatures :Linguistic Politics, UGC MinorResearch Project. Rs. 2,30,000.
2. Dr. Payal Bose Biswas, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science
Women Clay BasedWorkers in WestBengal and Orissa, UGC Minor Research Project. Rs. 2,10,000.
3. Dr. GargiGangopadhyay, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English
Politics of Pictures:Reviewing the VisualRepresentationsofColonial Darjeeling, UGC Minor Research Project. Rs. 2,25,000.
4. Dr. SunetraMitra, Assistant Professor, Dept. of History

Discovering India: The Travels of Swami Vivekananda and Rabindranath Tagore in Historical Perspective. UGC Minor Research Project, Rs. 2,00,000

b) Completed

1. Anuradha Sadhukhan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Philosophy. *Societal Reformation: In Perspective of Indian Ethics (Practical Vedanta and Yoga Philosophy)* UGC Minor Research Project. Rs. 3,00,000

2. Dr. Panchali Majumdar, Associate Professor, Dept. of History. *Nationalism, Communism, and the Emergence of Progressive Trends in Hindi Literature.* UGC Minor Research Project, Rs. 1,50,000.

10. Patents generated, if any : N.A.

11. New collaborative research programmes : None

12. Research grants received from various agencies : UGC: Rs. 13,15,000.

13. Details of research scholars: Refer to Answer 9.

14. Citation index of faculty members and impact factor : Nil

15. Honours/Awards to the faculty: National and International :

Dr. Gargi Gangopadhyay, Dept. of English. Research Fellow at Internationale Jugendbibliothek, Munich, 3rd-31st October 2016.

16. Internal resources generated:

Rs. 1500 allotted to each department for research-based students' projects

Rs. 800 allotted to each department for extension lectures

Rs. 25,000 granted by the Managing Committee for publication of multi-disciplinary college journal

17. Details of departments getting assistance/recognition under SAP, COSIST (ASSIST)/DST, FIST, and other programmes: None

18. Community services: See Annexure 1.11

19. Teachers and officers newly recruited - Nil

20. Teaching – Non-teaching staff ratio : 22 : 13

21. Improvements in the library services

- Barcoding of all books
- Renewal and upgradation of Library Website

- Uploading of latest University Question Papers on Website
- Uploading of latest Content List of Journals (subscribed by Library) on Website
- Uploading of Latest catalogue of Library on Web OPAC

22. New books/journals subscribed and their value

Total Number of Books = 90; Total Cost of Purchased books= 20488.00

Total Number of Journals= 7; Total Cost of Journals= 13438.00

23. Courses in which student assessment of teachers is introduced and the action taken on student feedback: B. A. /B. Sc Honours and General.

24. Feedback from stakeholders:

Students' feedback: 1. Filled up forms analyzed by external agency, reports discussed at Teachers' Council meetings as well as Principal's meetings with individual teachers.

2. Suggestions collected from Suggestion Box noted by IQAC coordinator and Principal, and appropriate measures taken.

Parents' feedback: Annual Parents' Meet, Individual Meetings with the Principal and teachers. Grievances, suggestions, recommendations are recorded and addressed at faculty and staff meetings.

Alumni and well-wishers' feedback: Discussed at meetings, and appropriate measures taken.

25. Unit cost of education - Rs. 7149 (excluding salary)

Rs. 79123 (including salary)

26. Computerization of administration and the process of admissions and examination results, issue of certificates:

Admission Process & examination results fully computerized. All information available on the college website.

Issuance of certificates partially computerized.

27. Increase in the infrastructural facilities - Rs. 43,00,000/- (Two storied building)

28. Technology upgradation - Rs. 4,85,691

29. Computer and internet access and training to teachers, non-teaching staff and students :

Wi fi enabled office, library, staff rooms and computer centre.

Certificate course by WEBEL on Computer Basics for students, against nominal fees.

Wi fi enabled AV room for ICT based classes.

30. Financial aid to students

Scholarship 56,000/- for 21 students
Educational Dev. Fund 2,52,345/- for 16 students
Ramkrishna Mission Institute of culture 16,000/- for 4 students
College fund 4,390/- for 3 students
RamkrishnaSarada Mission HQ 74,259/- FOR 19 Students
Lions education Scholarship 20,000/- for 1 student
Kanyashree 10,53,750/- for 47 students

31. Activities and support from the Alumni Association

Since its inception in July 2003, the R.K.S.M.V.V Alumni Association is a strong source of support for the institution. Like previous years, this year too, the Association made donations towards the following:

- tuition fee of two students
- two prizes- one for Bengali and one for English - awarded to two meritorious students of the concerned streams
- uniforms for six needy students
- the College Development Fund

The Alumni Association also organized the following events:

- The annual spiritual retreat/religious symposium
- The annual Re-union and AGM on 26/01/2017
- Food stalls in the "SaradaMela"

During the NAAC Peer Team visit, the Association made a PowerPoint presentation on its history and activities, and pledged continuous support to its Alma Mater. The NAAC team expressed great satisfaction at the meeting and appreciated the supportive role played by the ex students.

32. Activities and support from the Parent-Teacher Association :

No such formal Association exists till date. But there is regular interaction between parents/ guardians and Principal and faculty. Annual Parent-Teachers' meets are held separately for each year, where they can interact freely with the Principal as well as the faculty. Feedback from the parents are addressed both at the departmental and institutional levels.

33. Health services

Medical assistance to students is given at three levels:

1. Through regular health awareness and check-up camps. Medical checkup and blood group identification for all first year students is conducted at the beginning of every academic year. Breast cancer and thalassemia awareness and detection programmes are held annually too. The Ramakrishna Sarada Mission MatriBhavan, a premier city hospital for women, collaborates with the College in organizing these camps.

2. Through **Health Card** for students entitling them to free or highly subsidized medical facilities at MatriBhavan.

For a payment of Rs. 200 per year, each student is provided with a Health Card with which she can avail of:

- ✓ Free OPD treatments (except medicine).
- ✓ Free pathological investigations.
- ✓ Free radiological investigations.
- ✓ 50% discount on total billing for indoor admission, except medicines.

3. The Institution also runs a charitable Homoeopathy Dispensary attended by two visiting doctors every week. Free diagnosis and medicines are available to students as well as women and children from the neighbouring slums.

The hostel has a sick room and a doctor on call for medical emergencies. First Aid facilities are readily available both in the College and hostel.

Attention is also paid to the mental well-being of the students. Informal counselling from teachers and mentors is augmented by professional counselling whenever needed.

34. Performance in sports activities :

The college sports is an annual winter event. This year it was held on 4th January. Since this session, a part time sports teacher, who is also an alumnus, has been appointed to train the girls to participate in inter collegiate events in the near future. She has begun by spotting the talents and offering them advanced training.

Compulsory yoga training for students of all three years has been introduced.

35. Incentives to outstanding sportspersons

Prizes and medals are awarded. Special shield is presented to the outstanding sportsperson of the College.

36. Student achievements and awards

Ashmita Kar , State level Inter College University Music Competition , Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandir, 8th September 2016, **1st Position in Bhajan**

Ashmita Kar, Dover Lane Music Academy Talent Search Contest, 26thDecember , 2016, **2nd Position in Bhajan.**

Ashmita Kar, State level Music competition, Pashchim Banga Rajya Sangit Academy, 20th March 2017, **3rd Position in Classical Music.**

37. Activities of the Guidance and Counselling unit

The **Career Guidance Corner** in the Library is a well-stocked collection of books that serve as an aid to the students for competitive examinations. Books on banking, railway recruitments, SSC, NET, SET examinations are available in this section. Ready reference material on general knowledge like the yearbooks and UPSC examination guides are kept here. Besides this, it has space earmarked for books to assist and motivate students to decide on a specific career.

38. Placement services provided to students:

A formal Placement cell is yet to be set up. But the **George School of Competitive Exams (GSCE)** conducts a 52 week/156 hour Preparatory Course for Public Sector jobs like Bank, Police, Staff Selection, Railways, PSC, LIC, WBSSC, WBSEDCL, WBPDCCL etc. The course, held within the college premises, is offered at a much reduced rate exclusively for present and past students of this college.

The College also has an agreement with **Sri Sarada Math- RasikBhita – Shiksha O SanskritiPeetha**, the educational and cultural wing of Sarada Math, which provides Career Guidance and Placement opportunities for fresh graduates of this college. 10 needy students were sent for the various Skill Development Programmes specially designed for job seekers.

39. Development programmes for non-teaching staff

Staff enjoys Govt. benefits. Individual assistance offered in case of emergencies.

40. Good practices of the institution: Annexure 2

41. Linkages developed with National/ International, academic/research bodies: Nil

42. Action Taken Report on the AQAR of the previous year:

1. Introduction of PG Course in Philosophy as the first step towards horizontal expansion. The two-year course follows the semester system and the PG syllabus prescribed by WBSU, with a few alterations. The faculty includes full time teachers of the department, and a team of Visiting Faculty, comprising of eminent retired university professors, as well as young associate professors, many of them past students of this college.

2. A UGC sponsored Two-Day National Seminar titled “Women’s Journey Towards Empowerment: A Myth or a Reality” was organized on 1-2 April, in collaboration with Lady Brabourne College, Kolkata. The multidisciplinary seminar, with its wide range of speakers/presenters from academic as well as activist circles, drew a large, interactive audience – students, teachers and activists. The broad themes of the seminar were as follows:

- i) Conceptualizing Women Empowerment.
- ii) Women Protagonists in Literature
- iii) Does access to education and technology empower women?
- iv) Are working women really empowered?
- v) Striving to find her own voice: Women and their lived experience.

The speakers, 38 in all, were grouped into 12 parallel sessions, all well attended and engaging.

An interdepartmental poster competition on the theme of Women and Empowerment was organized. The posters were displayed at the venue, MuktipranaSabhagriha, and were judged by the distinguished guests.

A performance titled ‘Nirvaya’ was staged by members of the Centre for Women’s Studies of Lady Brabourne College, focusing on the struggles and emancipation of women.

The conveners of the seminar, Dr. BidishaChatterjee, Dr. Payal Bose Biswas, and Smt. TanjuDatta are working on publishing an ISBN volume based on the seminar proceedings.

3. The process of computerization of University examination results has been complete, while that of the college examinations, is underway.

4. The college has taken a positive step towards regular and more structured sports training. A trained sports teacher cum physical trainer has been appointed on a part time basis. She is an ex-student of our college and also a referee of All India Football Federation(AIFF).She has started to train a group of students selected on the basis of their potentiality and interest, with the aim of preparing them to compete in inter collegiate meets. The improvement in technique and motivation was clearly visible during the annual college sports.

5. Infrastructural developments taken up this year were building of a new PG wing, with spacious classrooms, toilets and office/staff rooms on the ground and first floors of the main college building. Funds were provided by the Govt. of West Bengal.

6. Preparation and planning for forthcoming NAAC Peer Team visit were continued. The SSR was submitted and uploaded in the college website on 12th November 2015, and the Peer Team visit was scheduled in the last week of November, 2016.

7. More inter disciplinary activities were encouraged in the form of multi-departmental wall magazines and exhibitions. The practice of inviting teachers from other departments for special lectures continues.

8. The first volume of The RKSMVV Journal of Human Sciences published.

43. Any other relevant information the institution wishes to add.

The NAAC Peer Team, comprising Prof. A. P. Padhi, Prof. K. Venkataramani, and Prof. George Padikara visited the college during 24-26th November, 2016. The college has been awarded an A Grade, with a CGPA of 3.07.

Section C: Outcomes achieved by the end of the year (attach separate sheet if required).

1. Completely online and transparent admission process. Students' data digitized
2. Self-financed PG course in Philosophy running smoothly.
3. Mentor-ward system has proved to be a popular means of student support and counselling. Mentors encouraged to keep records of the wards for tracking their progress.
4. Almost cent percent pass records, as in the past.
5. Significant increase in the number of students getting jobs after passing out. A complete database of present and past students (enrolled in the Alumni Association) is available.
6. Increased tendency among teachers to pursue active research. Guidance of the Research Cell is a catalytic factor.
7. Conversion of an existing classroom into a smart class room with govt. funds.

Section D: Plans of the college for the next year

1. More PG departments.
2. Career Guidance and Career Counselling facilities to be improved.
3. Publication of the seminar proceedings as an ISBN volume.
4. Proper planning and utilization of RUSA funds. Infrastructural development, including new classrooms and laboratories for the departments of Geography, Psychology and Journalism & Mass Communication, renovation of staff rooms, canteen and toilets, and procurement of computers with RUSA funds.
5. More gender-awareness programmes.
6. Participation of students in inter-college competitions – cultural and sports.

**Name & Signature of the
Chairperson, IQAC**

Name & Signature of the Director/Coordinator, IQAC

Annexure 1

The following activities were taken up/ continued from previous years:

1. Regular classes and assessments, including class and mid-term tests, tutorials.
2. Transparency in admission and results.
3. Updated website and prospectus.
4. Availability of Academic calendar at the beginning of the session.
5. Annual sports and various cultural competitions.
6. Value-education classes with well-structured syllabi, end-term examinations and prizes, conducted by senior monastic members.
7. Regular counselling - academic and personal by trained counsellor. Counselling workshops held by Centre for Counselling Services and Studies in Self Development, Jadavpur University.
8. Mentor-ward system for added student-support.
9. Interaction with stakeholders, namely students, teachers, staff, parents, alumni and well-wishers.
10. Feedback from parents and students.
11. Continuous outreach activities:

Awareness camp on Thalassemia, followed by

Blood Donation camp in collaboration with Nil RatanSarkar Medical College and Hospital

Donation drive, where students and teachers donated clothes, toys and other items to about 100 persons from the neighbourhood slums.

Community programmes specially held for underprivileged members of neighbourhood slums:

- **Sunday Classes** conducted for about 80 girl students (6 to 19 years) to inculcate ethical, spiritual and moral values.
- **Bi weekly basic education** classes by trained teachers for about 20 needy students.
- 3-month **Computer training** course for class ix –x students, conducted by WEBEL certified instructor.
- **Tailoring classes** for 40 women with the aim of making them self-reliant. Certificate given at the completion of the course.
- **Charitable dispensary** for women and children. Free health check-up by two homoeopathy doctors and distribution of medicines twice a week, Monday and Friday.

Retreat/Youth convention on value education including workshops on cultural, spiritual and motivational training held in the last week of December.

Regular **spiritual and chanting classes** for women devotees and past and present students. A small library, well stocked in Ramakrishna-Vivekananda literature, is maintained.

12. Extension activities beyond the classroom:

Extension Lectures:

Department	Resource Person	Topic	College/University	Date
BENGALI	Dr.Chaitali Mukherjee	“Kabyajigyasa”	Associate professor, Derozio Memorial College	04.11.16
	Dr. Utpal Kumar Mondal	“Adhunik Kabitar Dhara”	Gobardanga Hindu College	19.11.16
EDUCATION	Smt.Debika Guha	Pedagogy On Syllabus	Loreto College	15.9.2016
ENGLISH	Dr. Sravasti Chattopadhyay	Yeats and Modernism	Asso. Prof. Mahadevananda Mahavidyalaya	21.11.2016
	Lopamudra Banerjee	Off the Beaten Track:Self – Development and Career Options	Author and alumni	8.11.2016
POLITICAL SCIENCE	Dr. ArindamDutta	Maoist Movement in India	Asst. Prof. Taki Govt. College	14.9.2016
	Smt. UbhoybharatiAcharya	Women’s Equality and Constitution of India	Asst. Prof. Women’s College, Kolkata	7.2.2017
	Dr. AlefiyaTundawala	Electoral Politics in India:Issues and Trends.	Asst. Prof. SavitriGirls’	7.2.2017

			College, Kolkata	
PHILOSOPHY	Prof. Subir Ranjan Bhattacharya	Kant's Good Will	Prof. Calcutta University	11.11.16
	Sm. Shibani Saha	Hume's Scepticism	Asso. Prof. Shyampur Siddheswari Mahavidyalaya	15.11.16
	Dr. Aditi Dasgupta	Utilitarianism	West Bengal State University	18.11.2016
	Sm. Miratun Nahar	Bauddha Philosophy	Ex Prof. Victoria Institution	30.1.17
	Prof. Subir Ranjan Bhattacharya	Kant's Ground Work	Prof. Calcutta University	9.2.17
	Dr. Pralayankar Bhattacharya	Rawls Theory of Justice	Prof. Calcutta University	16.2.17
	Dr Ranjana Mukherjee	Jaina Philosophy	RabindraBharati University	23.2.17
	Prof. Tapan Kr Chakraborty	Brahma's Laksana	Jadavpur University	16.3.17
	Prof. Tapan Kr Chakraborty	Brahma's Laksana	Jadavpur University	18.3.17
SANSKRIT	Dr. Saheli Das	Maitree	Univerisy of Calcutta	17.11.16
	TamonashChakraborty	Vyakarana – Karakavimarsha	Asst. Prof. Barasat Govt. College	17.12.16
	Pradip Chandra Das	Rajavahanacarita	RabindraBharati University	7.2.2017
JOURNALIS M & MASS COMMUNIC ATION	Somali Chowdhury	Media Literacy and Awareness	Assistant Professor, Dept. of Media Science, The Heritage Academy	29.09. 16
SOCIOLOGY	Dr.Basabi Chakraborty	Political Participation of Women	Prof. Rabindra Bharati University	15.3. 17

	PunyarupaBhadury	Karl Marx and his methodology	Asst. Prof. Barasat College Kolkata	16.3.17
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Inter Disciplinary Programme

Department	Programme	Topic	Resource Person	Date
Philosophy	Extension Lecture	Democracy	Dr. Payel Bose Biswas	25.1.17
	Extension Lecture	Marxian Faminism	Dr. Soma marik	3.3.17

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STUDENTS' PROJECT

BENGALI	14.9.2016	Nazrul Sahityer Nanadik	Wall-Chart
	23.9.2016		Micro Teaching
	28.9.2016		Wall-Chart
ENGLISH	August,2016	First World War Poetry	File Submission
	September,2016	Greek Drama	File Submission
	November,2016	Romance and Picaresque forms as Predecessors to the Novel	PowerPoint Presentation
	November,2016	Death and Literature: A Report on the visit to the cemeteries of yore	Photo Essay
PHILOSOPHY	31.8.16	Basic Concepts of Philosophy	Micro Teaching
	10.1.17	Class and Caste Distinction	Micro Teaching
	10.9.16	Rationalism	Chart Paper
	8.2.17	Empiricism	Flow Chart
	26.9.15	Vedanta	Wall Magazine
	12.9.16	Theory of Knowledge	Chart Paper
	12.9.16	Western Perspective: Theory of Knowledge	Departmental Seminar (Organized by the alumnae)
SANSKRIT	July,2016	Manu And Koutilya – A Comparative Study	File Submission

Annexure 2

Good Practice

Alumnae sponsored Seminar

An important stakeholder in the development of any educational institution is its alumni. The Alumni Association of this college has always been a solid source of strength and support - physical, moral and financial. A strong recommendation from the NAAC Peer Team was proper utilization of the human assets of the institution, namely the alumni. Keeping this recommendation in mind, the alumnae of the department of Philosophy came up with a unique proposal, that of independently organizing a seminar at the department.

About 35 ex students who are Assistant or Associate Professors of different colleges organized the seminar titled 'Theory of Knowledge: Western Perspective'. They also financed the whole program, including refreshments. In the first half of the seminar four of them made PowerPoint presentations on topics ranging from post-Socratic Greek philosophers to Kant. In the second half there was an interesting panel discussion session on Rationalism versus Empiricism. Both sessions were highly engaging and predicatively argumentative. Almost 72 UG and PG students of the Philosophy department were present in the seminar.

The aim of the seminar was two-pronged. Firstly, it was meant to encourage the present students to choose academics as a career by allowing them to closely interact with the successful alumnae. Secondly, it was an opportunity for the alumnae to teach their juniors and repay their debt to the institution. Both aims were fulfilled. The young minds were motivated and inspired, while the seniors were satisfied and grateful at the same time. They expressed hope of organizing such seminars regularly in the future.

A magazine, named 'Bikshan' was also published by the alumnus.