



Sri Bhuvanendra College, Karkala-574104

Institutional Distinctiveness

A Journey of Ceaseless Efforts to be Ahead With Holistic Approach Towards Achieving Excellence

Sri Bhuvanendra College is sponsored by the Academy of General Education, Manipal and is affiliated to Mangalore University. It was founded in 1960 by the eminent educationist, banker and visionary Padmashree Late Dr. T.M.A.Pai and named after the Patron Saint, Sri Bhuvanendra Thirtha Swamiji. It is unique in many ways. But if one area of performance distinctive to its priority and thrust needs to be identified it is a holistic approach to Higher Education. Thus the potential for Excellence has a Comprehensive meaning.

The consistency in high percentage of result (on an average of 92%) despite providing admissions to all students with minimum eligibility and in spite incomparably large number of co-curricular and extracurricular activities concerned with ethics, spiritual values, gender sensitization, patriotism and Sanathana culture. Therefore the recognition of "**College with a Potential for Excellence**"

A. Indian Spiritual Education as complementary to Modern Higher Education.

As the great Kannada poet Dr. D. V. Gundappa put it in his Kagga(poetry): "As New springs on branches of a tree with old roots/bring great elegance to a tree /New intellect with old tenet /Will bring ethics to life (Dharma) /Science and arts endowed with wisdom of sages/Will make life successful Mankutimma." A **Sanskrit Pathshala** offering degrees/diploma from Madras University since 1918 saw the scarcity of entrants for Sanskrit studies and got transformed itself into a College offering modern bachelor degree from Mysore University in 1960.

The campus is given by Sri Venkataramana Swamy temple and continues to be Srinivas Ashrama. Gurukula coexists with College and modern campus as does globalized education with local feel and flavors. **So the ethos of the institution reflects an amalgam of East and West and modern and Sanathana, value based education with careeroriented competence.**

B. Activities connected with Indian Culture and heritage

- Sanskrit College building curated into a heritage building houses Swamy Vivekananda Study Centre and a Sanskrit Sangha offering Sanskrit Education to interested students.
- Yakshagana Kendra, in this building is imparting Yakshagana training a special art form of coastal Karnataka.
- This place being populated by Jain community and a place of pilgrimage with monolithic image of Gomateshwara and historical Chaturmukha Basadi, the College has Prakrit Language Study Centre in this building offering Prakrit Language in collaboration with Jain Mutt of Shravana Belagola.
- There is a gurukula with a few boys of GSB community who pursue vaidikshiksha along with bachelor programmes in the College
- Moral and spiritual Camp is a yearly event for fifty years.

C. Efforts to excel in modern education and move beyond the Contemporaneous

1. In the beginning B.A, B.Sc and B.A programmes were offered. But to keep itself up, it introduced B.B.A, B.C.A, B.S.W, B.Sc (Computer Science and also Biotechnology) as Self Financing Courses.
2. When P.G. Programmes were offered to undergraduate Colleges, the College began M.Com., M.Sc. and M.A Programmes on self financing scheme.
3. This College went for assessment when the National Assessment and Accreditation Council was commenced by the Government of India.
4. The College applied for the status of CPE and could secure it.
5. The College is a member of ICT Academy an organisation initiated by MHRD and secured many short term online courses, Offline workshops and training of students and teachers.
6. The proposal of the College for National Testing Centre was approved in 2020 and is functioning at present.
7. The College has become IT savvy, adopted Softwares for administration and academics RoboVidya, Edumanage, MU Link and UUCMS used in Administration, Easy Lib, Inflibnet, N-LIST for Library, DLM language software, Google Work Space, Anokhi LMS for academics besides Microsoft and Windows for general purpose.
8. Many MoUs are functioning with academic institutions, Industries, Professional organizations.
9. Strong Alumni Association has gifted Professor Damodar Kini Memorial indoor stadium.
10. The Alumni Association has created a Botanical/Herbal Garden at the cost of Rs. 20 Lakhs as a gift for Diamond Jubilee.
11. The Alumni Association has contributed approximately Seventy Lakhs during the last five years towards Scholarship fund.

12. The College Secured MP, MLA and MLC grant for laying Wooden flooring of Indoor stadium in the year 2021.
13. The College has joined hands with the government authorities in creating Covid Isolation facilities in the College Campus.

Special Features

1. The College has a well stated vision and mission document.
2. The College has defined governing structure with Private, Public and people participation in the governing body.
3. The College has a well laid out Perspective Plan, Procurement and maintenance Policy, Zero Tolerance to Ragging Policy, Grievance Redressal Policy and Environmental Policy.
4. The poor students are provided free midday meals.
5. Innovative ideas like Prodigy (University Level Paper Presentation Competition for P.G Students) Bhuvana Spring Fest (University Level Literary Competition) Evening in SBC (Interview with Successful Entrepreneurs), Plant of the Week etc have been successful in the last five years.

Incessant Efforts Vs Some Setbacks:

1. M.Sc and M.A programmes were not financially viable due to lack of applicants enough to meet the expenses, They were discontinued.
2. The College Management thought of helping young entrepreneurs graduating from the College, hence applied for Atal Incubation Centre from Atal Innovation Mission of NITI Aayog. Though only one to be selected to final round among Colleges offering general bachelor Programmes, it could not get the approval because of technical reasons.
3. The College applied for skill development centre under the Chief minister's Skill Development Centre scheme, but the Scheme fell apart because of change of government.
4. A proposal for Soil Testing Lab is before the Department of Agriculture, government of Karnataka for consideration.
5. Like other aided Colleges, this College also failed get grant-in-aid posts filled due to apathy of the Government.

Conclusion:

The College is aware that no efforts will be sufficient to keep itself in the forefront of higher education. It will use all its abilities, resources and efforts to make this College a centre of excellence with holistic approach to Higher Education.

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