Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith

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Annual Report (01.06.2022-31.05.2023)

1. Introduction

Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith began its journey as a higher education institute from 5th March 1964 to address the educational needs of the growing multitudes of Birati and the adjoining rural and semi-urban neighbourhoods of North 24 Parganas followed by the population boom of post-partition Bengal. The institute was primarily funded by the local people along with patriotic social workers under the aegis of Birati Shiksha Samsad and aimed to make higher education inclusive, accessible and affordable to partition-inflicted masses facing economic crisis. The college gained its name from Srimati Mrinalini Dutta whose son Santosh Chandra Dutta donated graciously for the cause.

The college initially offered general degree courses. In a span of fifty years, Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith evolved as a multi-faculty Degree coeducational College with Postgraduation Course in three subjects. Accredited "B++" in 2005 and "B+" in 2016 by the NAAC Peer Team, the College has tried to maintain and further escalate the heights of academic excellence and community welfare.

The voyage of this Institute started with affiliation from the University of Calcutta till the academic session 2007-08. From the session 2008-09 we were brought under the umbrella of the West Bengal State University, Barasat, through the Govt order No.300-Edn(U)/EH/1U- 38/08, dated 26 May 2008. The second phase of our journey is also packed with its own charm and adventures. In the new era, we introduced Undergraduate Honours course in 6 Science subjects (Computer Science, Physics, Mathematics, Botany, Zoology and Chemistry) and the Postgraduate courses in Bengali (2014-15), Education (2018-19) and Commerce (2019-20). With such expansion, the College now runs Honours Courses in 20 subjects and General Courses in 23 subjects in the streams of Arts, Science, and Commerce and Management. Three new subjects, Microbiology, Psychology and Food and Nutrition, have been introduced from the 2021-2022 session.

It is also a matter of great inspiration for the stakeholders of the College that with the catalytic intervention of the Hon'ble President of our Governing Body, the Government of West Bengal has awarded us in the year 2014 a LTS (Long Term Settlement) of 1.87 acres (112 cottahs) of land in two plots at Fatullapur, Nimta for the establishment of the Second Campus of our Institution and the Governing Body of the College has decided to introduce professional courses in the new campus. The construction work of the second campus has been initiated and the second extension is developing slowly as we pen this report. and activities executed. In the current session, the college has entered into an alliance via MOU with five reputed institutions: JIS University, World Wide Fund for Nature India; Rishi Bankim Chandra College, Naihati, Reach India Trust and IBRAD. The institute has also hosted a series of activities under the aegis of its MOU agreements.

2. <u>Teaching Learning (Fieldwork, Excursion, Film Screening,</u> <u>Workshop/Seminar/Conference/Orientation/Training Programme,</u> <u>Science Forum Events, Project Work)</u>

The college also undertook several Capacity Building and Skills Enhancement initiatives to hone and upskill the students' skills (like, career, entrepreneurship, professionalism, etc.). Among the major initiatives taken by the various departments of the college, we may mention psychological counselling programs and sessions, movie screening programs, health checkup camps and yoga practicing skills which have been planned, executed and managed by different subcommittees and coordinating units/cells. These measures enhanced and capacitated the students with new ways and means to understand and promote their career options. They also boosted holistic development in the students by extending their skillsets across different skill subsets like Soft skills, Language and communication skills, Life skills and ICT/Computing skills.

- 3. Teaching-learning is not certainly one way communication; it includes pluralistic or multiple orientations. Sometimes, it is teacher-centric, sometimes, it is student-centric, sometimes, it is both, sometimes, it grapples other dimensions as well. It is the combination of all components that complete the overall learning of students. These interconnected nexuses of different components which ignite the minds and souls of the students, are of paramount importance in shaping and moulding the students' psyche. For, example, only theoretical knowledge about concept "Poverty" cannot do justice to the condition of the downtrodden people. It is through neutral interaction, research, accompaniment, mutual dependency, sympathy, help, can we only understand them and make them felt. It can also illuminate their practical knowledge, mythologies, belief systems, experience, survival strategies, mutual dependencies, ethics etc. it is this magical combination of Theory and Practical knowledge that clarifies and redefines the field of knowledge. Consequently, Field Work, Field Tour, Educational Excursion, Documentary Film Screening and Group Discussion, Workshop and Training Programme, Learn and Earn Project are of sublime importance in imparting practical and realistic methods of learning. Our Institution employs student centric methods, such as experiential learning, participative learning, and problem-solving methodologies in day-to-day teaching-learning. In totality, to promote student consciousness regarding curricular and extracurricular activities, we have conducted following student-centric events:
 - 1. Field Work: Different departments with the provision of field work, have arranged for more than 10 field works for facilitating the students.
 - 2. Educational Workshop: 3 major educational workshops have been conducted by the college in the referred session.
 - 3. Special Lecture: At least 7 Special Lectures by revered resource persons have been arranged by the college to sensitize the students.

- 4. Workshop and Training Program: 2 Workshop cum Training Programs have been organized by the college to upskill the students with professional skill sets.
- 5. Project Work: Various departments with the provision of project work have guided the students as mandated by their concerned BoS guidelines.
- 6. Students' Training/Workshop/Seminar/Conference: 9?
- 4. Currently, we live in a competitive era characterized by Global Boiling, Corporate Capitalism, Globalization, Industrialization, and rapid Urbanization. We are progressive, motivated, and enthusiastic about everything. Our technological inventions and their innovative aftermath however have also created a toll on nature and natural resources. It is high time that we rethink our scientific and developmental positions in favour of the nonhuman and the adapt the planetary principles of recycling, renovation, waste management and reuse which have gained utmost importance as our natural reserves deplete. Our institution has acclimatized the students with this practical necessity in different forms and have come forward with its own techniques of Rainwater Harvesting and **Waste Management Initiatives**:
 - 1. The Department of Geography have always promoted novel means of waste management as a cherished departmental goal. The students of the department are encouraged to and they currently use rejected carton-boxes from the college office to dispose their everyday extra practical sheets used for practising map making and sketching diagrams. They also categorically use separate bins for biodegradable waste disposal which is an important step forward for practising waste management as a long-term initiative of our college. This understanding of categorising the wastes in degradable and nondegradable wastes is an important step for waste disposal at local and regional scale. The faculty members further reuse the available waste papers or extra sheets for marking vital page marks while sorting notices and for academic report making purposes.
 - 2. The Department of Botany supervised its students to prepare distilled water from harvesting preserved rainwater. The distilled rainwater so prepared was then utilized for laboratory purposes by other departments like Botany, Chemistry, Microbiology and Zoology. This novel initiative not only prevented water misuse but also oriented the students of the campus to reuse water as a resource and to value it as a priceless natural gift.
 - 3. The students of the Departments of Geography, English and Zoology enthusiastically use and reuse different used coloured papers found disposed in the department to make some flowers, bouquets and ornamental decors to decorate the department, to celebrate precious departmental moments and to engage in fun and frolic which in turn ripens their attachment with their alma mater.
- 5. The institution is not restricted to the scheduled teaching-learning procedure. It is continuously in search of innovative and productive methodologies that provide future possibilities and opportunities for the students. The Add-on/ Certificate programmes are amongst them. These Add-on/ Certificate programmes enlighten students to both newer avenues and to create cosmopolitan attitude to experience the changing world. With this vision in

mind, two Add- on/Certificate Programmes were introduced in the session 2022-2023. The details are given below:

"Applied Plant Pathology" offered by the Departments of Botany and Microbiology, having Course Code- APP (Botany & Microbiology) during the year 2022. The course was offered online, once in a year. It spans over 30 hours duration. Total 23 students enrolled and 21 students completed the course successfully. So, the success ratio was: 91.30%. The salient objectives of the course were: (i) the students will learn basic concepts of causation of disease in plant, (ii) it will enable the students to analyze the diseased plant samples in the laboratory (iii) students will gain knowledge of important plant diseases, their etiology, salient characteristics and control measures (iv) the course will help to identify the features of disease-causing microbes and lesions produced on the plant parts. (v) Most importantly, students will have experiences for getting jobs in research laboratories.

- 6. We are born in this world with biological identities. But our behaviours are not always biologically determined, rather socially, culturally, and psychologically motivated. This problematizes the complexities of behaviour in human being. Sometimes, we are perplexed between duties and obligations, rights and expectations, do's and don'ts, social taboos and freedom, desire and restrictions etc.
- 7. Gender equality is the essence of human rights, jurisprudence. It is the key factor in the recent agenda of development all over the world. Gender norms, patriarchal ideology, customs and practices deprive women of their rights across social, economic and public life. In all aspects of social practice, women are denied human rights and basic freedom. Absence of women in decision making process, lack of education, poor health, sexual abuse, domestic violence etc. continuously violate their rights. There are several provisions in the Constitution in India to provide equal protection before the law. Many legislations are also there to protect the rights of women. However, in practice, violation of the rights of women is so widespread that only constitutional and legal protection is not sufficient & therefore conceptual change from the grassroot level is required. As a result of prolonged women's movements and the sensitivity of non-governmental organizations toward women issues, The National Human Rights Commission & National Women's Commission have been striving to promote and preserve women's rights and human rights in India. Keeping this in mind the Departments of English, Political Science & Sociology had offered the Add-on/ Certificate Programme, ""Human Rights and Gender Studies", having Course Code: HRGS during the year 2022. The course was offered online, once in a year. It spans over 35 hours duration. Total 50 students enrolled and 49 students completed the course successfully. So, the success ratio was: 98%.

8. Workshop/Seminar/Conference

The institution has organized one National Seminar, one International Seminar and six Workshops during the session 2022-2023.

1. A One-Day long programme was held on 12 July 2022 at the Department of Geography featuring a special lecture by Shri Umashankar Mondal on "Sustainable Thinking for Sustainable Development: Afforestation in Urban

Area for Conservation of Birds" followed by a Hands-on-Training activity promoting tree plantation and natural conservation.

- 2. The Department of Sociology in collaboration with PRATHAM Education Foundation Kolkata organised a three-day students' Workshop on Annual Status of Education Report from 7 to 9 September 2022. The District-Level Workshop was designed to equip and facilitate the students with practical training techniques and social exposure required to carry out the Annual Status of Education Report Survey 2022 in their respective districts.
- 3. The NSS Units I and II of our college in collaboration with MANABIK organized a Special lecture on Prevention of Suicide on 18 September 2022 in the college auditorium. 14 NSS volunteers, 30 students, 8 teachers and 2 non-teaching staffs were present in the programme.
- 4. A Special Lecture Program on "Tribal Rights" was organised by the Department of Anthropology on 28 September 2022. The objective was to speculate on the problems of Indian tribal population their identity crises and to recognise the constitutional provisions and utilities secured for the Scheduled Tribes in India to enhance tribal development.
- The Department of History organised a Special Lecture program titled "Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic Tools Found Worldwide" on 11 November 2022. The lecture aimed at providing a comprehensive overview of the Palaeolithic, Mesolithic and Neolithic periods, and reflected further on their global and historic implication.
- 6. A special Lecture Series: Unnayan in collaboration with MANABIC and Seminar Subcommittee of the college was held on 29.11.2022. Sri Bidyut Kumar Banerjee, Secretary, MANABIC was the chief guest along with Dr. Buddhadev Nath, Counselling Psychologist and Function Therapist.182 students and 15 teachers participated in the event and a healthy interaction occurred among the speaker and the students. The main lecture aimed to promote self-development and emotional well-being of the students. It also addressed the growing rate of suicide and tried to motivate students to lead a good life in a healthy atmosphere.
- The Department of Political Science had organised a National Seminar on "Understanding Human Rights in the 21st Century: Theory and Practice" on 20 December 2022 to explore the various issues, challenges and prospects around the human rights discourse. They identified appropriate areas of concern regarding human rights violation and its implication for all concerned stakeholders.
- 8. The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication organised a Professional Skill Enhancement workshop on "*Newspaper Page Make-up*" by using Quark Express Software on 7 February 2023 to train the students with the eponymous operating software.
- 9. On 11 and 12 April 2023, the Department of Philosophy organised "*A Twoday Bootcamp cum workshop on Self-development*". The main objective was to encourage the participants to modify their limiting beliefs and prejudices; and to offer viable solutions for the subconscious mental states which promote such limitations.
- The Department of Chemistry organised a Two-Day Workshop training program on "*Computational Methods in Chemistry and Biology*" on 25 and 26 April 2023. The Hands-on Training program was designed to impart a

rudimentary understanding of computational techniques used frequently in the contemporary Life Science Studies.

- 11. A one-day Workshop had been organised by the MOU Committee of our institution in collaboration with Indian Institute of Bio-social Research and Development on 26th April 2023. The objective of the program was to generate the awareness of climate change on the life and livelihood of the underprivileged group in India such as the Scheduled Tribes. It also aimed to understand the mitigating measures through local people participation along with the involvement of the youth students of the undergraduate college.
- 12. The Science Forum, in association with IQAC of our institution, organised an International Seminar in collaboration with Beats of Nature Society on 2 May 2023 to commemorate Earth Day. The objective was to create ecological consciousness among the audience prompting their role to conserve available natural resources and guard wildlife and ecosystem of our planet and to take pledge to reduce carbon footprints and pollution levels.
- 13. The Department of Computer Science organised an Online Special Lecture Program on "Quantum Computing And Its Applications" on 13 May 2023. The lecture aimed at delving principles of Quantum Computing (distributed across subject-disciplines like Physics, Computer Science and Mathematics) such as superposition and entanglement that challenged the students to explore novel connections between quantum mechanics and computation studies. The insights on the latest advancements in digital technology further fostered interdisciplinary and computation-oriented thinking among the participants and created alertness about new computational paradigms.
- 14. A One-Day Seminar cum Workshop had been organised by the Department of Geography entitled "*Geography and Beyond: A Story of New Learning, Competition, Co-operation and Team Efforts*" on 27 May 2023. The objective of the Hands on training program was to impart practical knowledge about techniques and measures needed to prepare pits for planting fruit trees and in extension biding the students to become eco-friendly and humane towards birds, plants and the reducing greeneries of our pro-development urban areas.

9. MOUs and their Activities

- The college continued its MOU (renewed on 23 June 2022) with WEBEL Informatics Limited (A Government of West Bengal Undertaking) to offer "Diploma in PC Application" Course for the benefit of the students of the college. Approximately, 1200 students of UG 1st and 2nd Year have enrolled for the course in the session 2022-2023.
- 2. Ten teachers of our institute acted as resource persons in value-added course on "Gender Sensitization" conducted by JIS University at their campus during July 2022.
- The college signed an institute-to-institute MOU with five reputed institutions in the session 2022-2023: JIS University (signed on 20 July 2022); World Wide Fund for Nature India (signed on 26 August 2022); Rishi Bankim Chandra College, Naihati (signed on 28 November 2022);

Reach India Trust (signed on 06 April 2023); and IBRAD (signed on 11 April 2023).

- 4. An Awareness cum Sensitization programme entitled "Consumer Rights and Responsibilities" was organised by Seminar Sub-committee along with Departments of Commerce and Economics in collaboration with Department of Juridical Sciences, JIS University for students, teachers, and staff of the college on 23 November 2022. The program was attended by 116 students and 21 teachers of the institute.
- 5. An Administrative Training Programme cum Workshop was organized by the college to equip the non-teaching staff of the college with practical knowledge necessary for systematic management of office work entitled "Office Management: An Overview" on 21 January 2023. The program was attended by 22 staffs and 13 teachers of the institution.
- 6. The Science Forum of the college organized a Celebration of Earth Hour on 21 March 2023 in college campus jointly organized by the IQAC and World Wide Fund for Nature India (WWF). The program included special lectures on Earth Hour and WWF's role in conserving nature, a short video show, street play and quiz session.
- 7. A Workshop on "Cultural Resilience for Climate Resilient Tribal Development" was organized by the college in association with IBRAD on 26 April 2023. Professor S. B. Roy, Chairman, IBRAD conducted the event. The program was attended by 34 students and 12 teachers of the institute.
- 8. A Skill Development Programme and Placement assistance activity was organized by the Training and Placement Cell on 28 April 2023 in association with Alumni Association of the College in collaboration with Reach India Trust. The program was attended by 34 students and 9 teachers of the institution.
- 9. Dr. Suman Chakraborty, Faculty, Department of Anthropology, acted as resource person in the observance of "IPR Day" organized by JIS University at their college campus on 29.03.2023.
- 10. The college continued its MOU (renewed on 8 May 2023) with Dera Natung Govt College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, Department of Anthropology.

10. Outreach and Extension Activities

The NCC and NSS units of the college unitedly collaborated with each other to celebrate 75th Independence Day Amrit ka Mahotsav on 15/08/2022 and 126th Netaji Jayanti on 23 January 2023.

A 7-Day Special Camp conducted during 24 to 30 March 2023. Both the NSS Units conducted a host of social philanthropic activities during the week. As part of the program, a socio-ecodnomic survey was conducted in the slum areas of the adopted Wards, 13 and 23 of North Dum Dum municipality on 27.03.2023 and 29.03.2023 by NSS Unit II and Unit I of the college. The objective of the survey was to assess the socio-economic conditions, to understand the needs

and problems of the slum dwellers of the adopted wards and to prepare a future course of action to amend the identified issues. The volunteers questioned the participant residents accordingly and covered extensively the slum households. 18 volunteers and 2 teachers accompanied volunteers of Unit II while 13 volunteers and 6 teachers escorted the students of Unit I on the mentioned dates. Two schools of the adopted Wards, 13 and 23 of North Dum Dum municipality were also covered during the Special Camp. 5 teachers and 12 volunteers from Unit I visited the Narayanpalli Prathomik Vidyalay, a Primary School under Ward No. 23 on 27.03.2023 and spend the day interacting with the school kids of the area and were welcomed by the headmistress Mrs. Manasi Mondal, along with local people of the area. Dr. Suman Chakrabarty, Head of the Anthropology Department, presented a talk on healthy habits to sensetize the school kids. The children performed rhymes, dance and songs in front of the volunteers and audience. We distributed Stationery items were distributed among the children to motivate them. Similarly, 24 volunteers 3 teachers and 2 non-teaching staffs from NSS Unit II visited the Sisu Sikswa Prakalpa (S.S.P.) or Mid Day Meal Scheme School, Debinagar, Birati under Ward No. 13 on 30.03.2023 and interacted with the kids of the school. The NSS students lectured the kids on the necessity of maintaining healthy habits among the children and were entertained by their lively performances. The program ended on a merry note as stationery goods were distributed among the children by the student volunteers. The NSS Units I and II also conducted two rally programs to spread social awareness on pertinent issues that appealed both the residents of Ward No. 13 and 23. 18 volunteers 4 teachers and 1 non-teaching staff from Unit II visited Ward No. 13 on 28.03.2023 and 18 volunteers 6 teachers and 4 non-teaching staffs from Unit I Ward No. 23 on 30.03.2023. The referred volunteers participated in the rallies with banners and posters and interacted further with the local people and pedestrians as they marched forward and covered their adopted ward premises. The 7-Day Special Camp ended in the second half of 30 March 2023 as a valedictory session was conducted by the two NSS Program Officers in the presence of esteemed faculties of the college.

11. Students' Progression and Placement

- 34 students spanning across the streams of Humanities, Science and Commerce background progressed to higher education after obtaining their Honours degree to institutes like RBU, KU, WBSU, Kristu Jayanti College (Bengaluru), Baba Saheb Ambedkar Education University, etc.
- 2) 5 alumni pass outs of the college have secured employment in reputed state-government, national, and international institutes and are enriching the nation with their industrial, managerial and research skills.
- 12. <u>Programmes on Students' Week, Environmental Awareness, Women</u> <u>Empowerment, Skill Development Initiatives, Contribution to Community</u> <u>Development Initiatives</u>

- The institution observed the "Observation of Students' Week" (A Government of West Bengal Initiative) from 2nd to 7th January 2023 by organising various programmes such as Students' Credit Card Awareness Camp Cum Help Desk, Health Check-up Camp, career Counselling Session, Awareness Camp Cum Health Desk on different Scholarships, Cultural Competition, Workshop on Financial Literacy for Students, Seminar on Digital Education, Workshop on Psychological Counselling and Therapy, Interactive Exposure Visit by School Students (X-XII), Quiz Competition, Online Interaction with Guardians and Declaration of Result and Distribution of Certificates. The event gained immense accolades from all the stakeholders of the college.
- The Department of English in association with Computer Science organised an innovative Skill Enhancement programme to train the 1st and 3rd semester students on ICT computing skills. The program proved immensely successful as enthusiastic 5th semester students of the Computer Science department actively took part in imparting training to their juniors along with their esteemed teachers.
- The college organised a series of greening initiatives to foster environmental and community consciousness among all the stakeholders of the college and the larger community: Tree Plantation Program (NSS-I, 27.07.2022; NCC in collaboration with Pancham 18.07.2022; Green Campus with World Wide Fund for Nature India, 30.08.2022), Campus Cleaning Program (NCC, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan 23.01.02023; NSS-I and II, 24.03.2023, 7-Day Special Camp), Socio-Economic Survey (NSS-I, 29.03.2023; NSS-II, 27.03.2023), School Visit (NSS-I, Narayanpalli Prathomik Vidyalay, 27.03.2023; NSS-II, Sisu Sikswa Prakalpa, 30.03.2023), Rally on Socio-Economic Awareness (NSS-I, 30.03.2023, NSS-II, 28.03.2023), Earth Hour, 21 March 2023, Earth Day, 2 May 2023. A Socio-Economic Survey of ASER was conducted by the Department of Sociology from 7 to 9 September 2022.
- The Internal Complaints' Committee in collaboration with the IQAC of our college had organised an awareness programme on "Sexual Harassment of Woman at Workplace" on 12 May 2023 which will empower and enlighten women in all spheres of their life. Srimati Soumi Guha Thakurta, Advocate Calcutta High Court, Kolkata enlightened the students on the POSH Act and made redressal mechanisms available to the oppressed victims. Students also walled various posters to create awareness in the college and beyond.
- Three departments of our college English, Political Science and Sociology organized an online add-on-course entitled "Human Rights and Gender Studies" in collaboration with the Centre for Studies in Gender, Culture and Media, West Bengal State University. The lectures within the course tried to illuminate the social, economic, cultural and legal intricacies related to human rights in general and women and LGBTQ rights in particular.
- The Women's Cell unit of Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith commemorated International Daughters Day on 25 September 2022 to promote women empowerment among all the stakeholders of the

college. A poster competition "Teen Kanya" and a lecture "Uttaran" were conducted to promote the upliftment of women and also to develop the skills to evade the hardships of life.

13. Students' Performance in Cultural and Sports Activities

- 1. In the District Level Youth Parliament Competition (2022-23) sponsored by Parliamentary Affairs Department, Government of West Bengal held from 19 to 21 September 2022 at Rabindra Bhawan, Barasat, our students were able to bring honour and attention on themselves. Riya Adhikari, 3rd Semester Honours, Department of History, was ranked as the **Best Secretary**. Pobitro Mondol of 5th Semester B.A. General and Reetam Patra, 5th Semester Honours, Department of English stood **Second** in Quiz Competition. Sagnik Bakshi, 3rd Semester Honours, Department of Zoology secured the **Second** position in Essay Competition held under the same occasion.
- 2. The football team of our college qualified to **Semi-Final** round held at Gobardanga Hindu College and our student player Papai Dutta, Semester got selected in the University Football Team for his excellence in the game.
- In the District Level Essay Competition under the National Voters' Day, 2023 celebration held on 25 January 2023, Sagnik Bakshi, 3rd Semester from the Department of Zoology was placed in the First position
- 4. Utshab Debnath, a Semester 6 student from the Department of Geography secured the Fourth rank in the Online Photography Competition organised by the Department of Geography, Xaviers College, Burdwan, entitled "Click It" on February 22 2023 to commemorate the 120th Birth Anniversary of Professor Shiba Prasada Chatterjee, Doyen of Indian Geography and Founder Director of National Atlas and Mapping Organisation.
- 5. Avradeep Das and Reetam Patra Semester 6 students from the Department of English were jointly placed in the **First** position in the Inter College Quiz Competition organized by Department of Juridical Sciences, JIS University on 21 March 2023.
- 6. On 25th April 2023, Tamasha Roy, a Semester 6 student from the Department of Geography, won the **Second** position in the dance competition within Elan: An Inter-College Cultural Competition orhanized by Jogmaya Devi College.

14. Scholarships and Merit-Cum-Means

Government welfare schemes for the students like Kanyashree, Swami Vivekananda Merit Cum Means and Student Credit Card were processed duly by the college to aid the economically weak learners. As a result, 663 applicants benefited by scholarships offered by the Government during the session 2022-2023: 559 students bagged SVMCM scholarship and 104 got Kanyashree.

15. Students' Results and Performance

16. In the academic year 2022-23, 564 undergraduate students appeared for the semester VI examination from Arts, Science and Commerce streams. Out of the total examinees, 51.77% of students successfully cleared their undergraduate courses and gained pass marks. The pass percentage of students

from the 3 major streams are: 81.82% in the Science Stream; followed by 46.47% in Arts and 43.24% in Commerce Streams, respectively. In the Post-Graduate Degree Courses offered by the college in Bengali, Education and Commerce, the number of appeared candidates totalled to 60 and all of them (100%) successfully passed their PG Examination. We must note here that all the students appeared in the aforesaid examination under the new normal situation as the lockdown period affected by the COVID-19 pandemic was called off by the government on state and national levels.

17. Teachers' Publication

- 1. In the session 2022-2023, the faculties of the college also remained highly alert, dynamic and research-oriented and published widely to add feathers to their scholarship. **59 UGC care-listed journal publications** were made by them across all disciplines along with **39 books chapters** in edited/published volumes.
- 2. 8 faculties participated in different Orientation/Induction Programmes, Refresher Courses and Short-Term Courses to remain updated with the newly emerging areas and interests in their subject disciplines in the session 2022-2023.

18. NEP and Indic Knowledge Systems

The pedagogy of nineteen departments is taught in bilingual mode in the classroom. Question papers of these relevant subjects are framed both in English and Bengali. The ancient Indian language Sanskrit is offered not only as an Honours course but also as 6 credits MIL (Modern Indian Language) paper in the 3rd and 4th semesters to B.A. and B.Com. general stream students. The various departments - such as English (Indian Classical Literature), Bengali (History of Bengali Literature and Culture), History (Understanding Indian Art), Philosophy (Outlines of Indian Philosophy, Classical Indian Text, Indian Philosophy of Language, Ethical and Social Philosophy of India), Sanskrit (Cultural Importance of Ramayana, Mahabharata, Puranas, Major Schools of Indian Poetics-Rasa, Alankara, Rti, Dhvani, Vakrokti and Aucitya), Anthropology (Tribal Culture and Tribal Development in India, Anthropology of Health), Political Science (Classical Political Philosophy), Sociology (Sociology of India) - teach papers related to Ancient Indian Art and Culture, Tribal and Endangered language etc, as a part of their syllabus (Core paper, SEC paper), structured by the West Bengal State University.

The institution also conducted the following programmes to promote Indian art, culture, tradition, languages, tribal studies:

- Observing Sanskrit Divas (12.08.2022).
- A trip to witness the struggles of Indian Freedom Fighters by paying a visit to the Central Jail Museum and Indian Town Hall, Kolkata by the Department of History (04.01.2023).
- Educational tour to the temples and educational system of Mayapur by the Department of Education (03.01.2023)
- Exhibition of coins belonging to ancient, medieval, and modern time periods of India conducted by the Department of History (06.04.2023).

- Special lecture on Cultural resilience for Climate Resilient Tribal Development (11.04.2023 & 26.04.2023).
- Rabindra Jayanti celebrating the contribution of poet Ravindra Nath Tagore towards Indian Culture and Literature (10.05.2023).
- Celebration of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav", Felicitation of Veergatha Awardees, (15.08.2022, 12.08.2022, and 23.09.2022).

19. Library Activities (Seminars, Book Exhibitions, Online Facilities)

The college Library has been partially automated since 2015 using KOHA Library software. The KOHA version was updated to version 22.05.13.000 in 2023. The college library is spreading over 6000 sq. ft. It remains open on all working days from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. It can accommodate 50 students and 10 teachers at a time. A separate computer space is also there for accessing and printing online resources. Renewal for Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) for the providing global access through the college website was under consideration in the session 2022-23. A fully automated ILMS software KOHA is used to search through the library books and journals. In addition to books and journals, question papers of college and university examinations, career guidance books, daily newspapers are also present. Master File of KOHA manages referential data used by other modules, including authority files, subjects/topics, publishers, suppliers, etc. KOHA system allows global configuration, index management, database backup, etc. Additionally, it features an OPAC for searching the library's collections and supports day-today library activities. KOHA LINK - 127.0.0.1:8000/cgi-bin/koha/about.pl

20. Proposed Novel Initiatives

The college promotes some of the prospective novel initiatives in future which will be beneficial to this educational institution and the fruits of these will expand to the larger section of the society.

- Protection and Conservation of Environment in different forms
- Celebration of International and National Days and Events
- To ensure safe and secure ragging-free campus
- To organize different job and placement-oriented programs
- To organize International and National seminars
- To encourage field tours, exposure visits, extension and outreach programs
- To extend collaboration with different institutes of International and National importance
- To promote institutional social responsibility towards the larger community, etc.