

**MOTHER TERESA WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY**  
**KODAIKANAL – 624 102**



**ANNUAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT**  
**2013-2014**  
**IQAC**

## Part – A

AQAR for the year

2013 - 2014

### I. Details of the Institution

1.1 Name of the Institution

Mother Teresa Women's  
University

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City/Town

Kodaikanal

State

TamilNadu

Pin Code

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Dr.Ani Lukose

Mobile:

IQAC e-mail address:

1.3 NAAC Track ID (For ex. MHCOGN 18879)

OR

1.4 NAAC Executive Committee No. & Date:

1.5 Website address:

Web-link of the AQAR:

### 1.6 Accreditation Details

Sl. No.	Cycle	Grade	CGPA	Year of Accreditation	Validity Period
1	1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle	B++		2007	5 Years
2	2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle	NAAC Peer Team Visit on 6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan.' 2015			
3	3 <sup>rd</sup> Cycle				
4	4 <sup>th</sup> Cycle				

1.7 Date of Establishment of IQAC: DD/MM/YYYY

1.8 Details of the previous year's AQAR submitted to NAAC after the latest Assessment and Accreditation by NAAC ((for example AQAR 2010-11 submitted to NAAC on 12-10-2011)

- i. AQAR 2009-2010 30/09/2012
- ii. AQAR 2010-2011 30/09/2012
- iii. AQAR 2011-2012 30/09/2012
- iv. AQAR 2012-2013 23/07/2014

### 1.9 Institutional Status

University State  Central  Deemed  Private

Affiliated College Yes  No

Constituent College Yes  No

Autonomous college of UGC Yes  No

Regulatory Agency approved Institution Yes  No

(eg. AICTE, BCI, MCI, PCI, NCI) – **NCTE**

Type of Institution Co-education  Men  Women

Urban  Rural  Tribal

Financial Status Grant-in-aid  UGC 2(f)  UGC 12B

Grant-in-aid + Self Financing  Totally Self-financing

### 1.10 Type of Faculty/Programme

Arts  Science  Commerce  Law  PEI (Phys Ed.)

TEI (Edu)  Engineering  Health Science  Management

Others (Specify)

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### 1.11 Name of the Affiliating University (*for the Colleges*)

Not Applicable

1.12 Special status conferred by Central/ State Government-- UGC/CSIR/DST/DBT/ICMR etc

Autonomy by State/Central Govt. / University	State		
University with Potential for Excellence	-	UGC-CPE	-
DST Star Scheme	-	UGC-CE	-
UGC-Special Assistance Programme	-	DST-FIST	✓
UGC-Innovative PG programmes	-	Any other ( <i>Specify</i> )	-
UGC-COP Programmes	-		

**2. IQAC Composition and Activities**

2.1 No. of Teachers	8
2.2 No. of Administrative/Technical staff	3
2.3 No. of students	1
2.4 No. of Management representatives	-
2.5 No. of Alumni	1
2.6 No. of any other stakeholder and community representatives	1
2.7 No. of Employers/ Industrialists	1
2.8 No. of other External Experts	
2.9 Total No. of members	17
2.10 No. of IQAC meetings held	4

2.11 No. of meetings with various stakeholders Students  Faculty

Non-Teaching Staff  Alumni  Others (Parents)

2.12 Has IQAC received any funding from UGC during the year? Yes  No

If yes, mention the amount

2.13 Seminars and Conferences (only quality related)

(i) No. of Seminars/Conferences/ Workshops/Symposia organized by the IQAC

Total Nos.  International  National  State  Institution Level

(ii) Themes

- |  |
|--|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Role of Research in Quality Enhancement</li> <li>2. A Search for Innovative Teaching/Learning</li> </ol> |
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2.14 Significant Activities and contributions made by IQAC

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Teaching Staff Recruitment/Promotion</li> <li>2. Non-teaching Staff Promotion</li> <li>3. Research Proposals invited from staff for allocation of UGC XII Plan Fund</li> <li>4. SPSS Package</li> <li>5. IQAC Newsletter</li> <li>6. Science/Arts Forum</li> <li>7. Social Responsibility programs</li> </ol> |
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2.15 Plan of Action by IQAC/Outcome

The plan of action chalked out by the IQAC in the beginning of the year towards quality enhancement and the outcome achieved by the end of the year \*

<i>Plan of Action</i>	<i>Achievements</i>
Upgrading Curriculum	Board of Studies conducted for 18 departments. 52 workshops are conducted for Faculty of University Departments affiliated colleges
Visiting Professor at the National and International Level	Professors are invited from India and abroad

Faculty Development Program	Five programs are conducted by EDC and CDC
Entrepreneurial Development Program	Conducted for staff members of the university departments and affiliated colleges

*\* Attach the Academic Calendar of the year as Annexure. I*

2.15 Whether the AQAR was placed in statutory body

Management  Syndicate  Any other body

Provide the details of the action taken

Executive Council dated 4.12.2014 Agenda No. 2014:61
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## Part – B

### Criterion – I

#### 1. Curricular Aspects

##### 1.1 Details about Academic Programmes

Level of the Programme	Number of existing Programmes	Number of programmes added during the year	Number of self-financing programmes	Number of value added / Career Oriented programmes
PhD	22	1		
PG	13			
UG	1			
PG Diploma	3			
Advanced Diploma	-			
Diploma	1			
Certificate	1			
Others	-			
<b>Total</b>				
Interdisciplinary	-	-		
Innovative	-	-		

##### 1.2 (i) Flexibility of the Curriculum: CBCS/Core/Elective option / Open options – CBCS, Core, Elective option.

(i) CBCS - 3 Core and 1 Elective per Semester.

(ii) Pattern of programmes

Pattern	Number of programmes
Semester	13 (PG) + 1(UG)
Trimester	-
Annual	-

1.3 Feedback from stakeholders\* Alumni  Parents  Employers  Students   
(On all aspects)

Mode of feedback : Online  Manual  Co-operating schools (for PEI)

*\*Please provide an analysis of the feedback in the Annexure II*



1.4 Whether there is any revision/update of regulation or syllabi, if yes, mention their salient aspects.

Syllabus – Last Revised – 2013 (as per TANSICHE Rules)

### Annexure III

1.5 Any new Department/Centre introduced during the year. If yes, give details.

- ✓ Centre for Swami Vivekananda
- ✓ Centre for Gandhian Studies
- ✓ Centre For Rural Development
- ✓ Centre For Intellectual Property Rights

## Criterion – II

### 2. Teaching, Learning and Evaluation

2.1 Total No. of permanent faculty

Total	Asst. Professors	Associate Professors	Professors	Others
48	23	9	14	2

2.2 No. of permanent faculty with Ph.D.

42

2.3 No. of Faculty Positions Recruited (R) and Vacant (V) during the year

Asst. Professors		Associate Professors		Professors		Others		Total	
R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V
37	23	6	8	5	6	-	-	48	37

2.4 No. of Guest and Visiting faculty and Temporary faculty

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1

1

2.5 Faculty participation in conferences and symposia:

No. of Faculty	International level	National level	State level
Attended	15	47	59
Presented	40	34	9
Resource Persons	3	23	15

2.6 Innovative processes adopted by the institution in Teaching and Learning:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Peer Tutoring</li> <li>2. Development of e-content</li> <li>3. ICT enabled Teaching/Learning process</li> </ol> |
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2.7 Total No. of actual teaching days during this academic year

203
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2.8 Examination/ Evaluation Reforms initiated by the Institution

(for example: Open Book Examination, Bar Coding, Double Valuation, Photocopy, Online Multiple Choice Questions)

Bar-coding, OMR Sheets
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2.9 No. of faculty members involved in curriculum restructuring/revision/syllabus development as member of Board of Study/Faculty/Curriculum Development workshop

32	32	32
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2.10 Average percentage of attendance of students

83%
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2.11 Course/Programme wise distribution of pass percentage:

S.No.	Title of the Programme	Total no. of students appeared	Division				Pass %
			Distinction %	I %	II %	III %	
1.	MBA	38		94	3	--	97
2.	MCA	11		100	--	--	100
3.	M.Com.	14		100	--	--	71
4.	M.Sc. Bio-Tech.	8		83	17	--	75
5	M.Sc. Chemistry	5		100	--	--	80
6	M.Sc. Maths	22		90	--	--	95
7	M.Sc. Physics	8		100	--	--	50
8	M.Sc. Comp. Sci. & IT	3		100	--	--	100
9	M.Sc. Vis. Com.	1		100	--	--	100
10	M.Sc. Food Service Mgmt. and Dietetics	7		100	--	--	100
11	M.Sc. Foods and Nutrition	2		100	--	--	100
12	Master of Social Work	2		50	--	--	100
13	M.A. Tamil	2		100	--	--	100

	Studies						
14	MA.Tourism Management	3		100	--	--	100
15	M.A. English	9		88	--	--	87
16	M.Ed	18	11%	89%	--	--	100
17	B.Ed SE [MR]	6	33%	50%	17%	--	100
18	P.G Diploma in Counselling	6	-	83%	17%	--	100
19	P.G. Diploma in Prof. Ethics	18	-	100%	--	--	100
20	P.G. Diploma in Human Rights Education	5	-	--	--	--	--

## 2.12 How does IQAC Contribute/Monitor/Evaluate the Teaching & Learning processes:

- The staff and the students to use ICT enabled class room.
- The students to have e-mail Ids and to use e-Resources
- Encouraged to use smart-class rooms and to give special attention to weaker students
- Group learning is encouraged
- Subject specific competitions
- Performance monitoring through tests
- Collaboration between PG Departments and affiliated colleges
- Motivating students to participate in seminars and publications
- Counselling and mentoring by Faculty Members
- Weekly work done report by Teaching Staff
- Quiz programs, Surprise Tests

## 2.13 Initiatives undertaken towards faculty development

Faculty / Staff Development Programmes	Number of faculty benefitted
Refresher courses	12
UGC – Faculty Improvement Programme	-
HRD programmes	-
Orientation programmes	3
Faculty exchange programme	-
Staff training conducted by the university	-
Staff training conducted by other institutions	-
Summer / Winter schools, Workshops, etc.	53
Others (Faculty Development Programmes)	38

## 2.14 Details of Administrative and Technical staff

Category	Number of Permanent Employees	Number of Vacant Positions	Number of permanent positions filled during the Year	Number of positions filled temporarily
Administrative Staff	79	23	5	14
Technical Staff	7	-	-	2

## Criterion – III

### 3. Research, Consultancy and Extension

#### 3.1 Initiatives of the IQAC in Sensitizing/Promoting Research Climate in the institution

1. Strengthening internet connectivity in all departments
2. Staff members are supported to present research papers in Journals with high impact factor.
3. Sophisticate equipments to aid research
4. Motivating staff to send research proposals
5. Research methodology workshops are organised
6. Research colloquiums are held periodically
7. Resource persons are invited to orient on proposal writing

#### 3.2 Details regarding major projects

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number	4	8	2	11
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	50.8lakhs	103.14lakhs	44lakhs	--

#### 3.3 Details regarding minor projects

	Completed	Ongoing	Sanctioned	Submitted
Number	2	4	--	5
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	3.03lakhs	7.65lakhs		

#### 3.4 Details on research publications

	International	National	Others
Peer Review Journals	85	12	-
Non-Peer Review Journals	-	4	-
e-Journals	1	-	-
Conference proceedings	20	4	-

3.5 Details on Impact factor of publications:

Range  Average  h-index  Nos. in SCOPUS

3.6 Research funds sanctioned and received from various funding agencies, industry and other organisations

Nature of the Project	Duration Year	Name of the funding Agency	Total grant sanctioned	Received
Major projects				32 lakhs
Minor Projects				8 lakhs
Interdisciplinary Projects				---
Industry sponsored				---
Projects sponsored by the University/ College				2 lakhs
Students research projects <i>(other than compulsory by the University)</i>				7.45lakhs
<b>Any other(Specify)State Govt Funded Schemes</b>				
Curriculum Development Cell			1 Crore	50 lakhs
Visiting Professor			10 lakhs	10 lakhs
Establishment of smart class room			20 lakhs	20 lakhs
Establishment of Foreign Language			15 lakhs	15 lakhs
Establishment of Entrepreneurship cum skill development			20 lakhs	20 lakhs
Incubation and Technology Transfer			29.88 lakhs	14.50 lakhs
Tamilnadu Common Wealth Centre			5 Crores	2.66 Crores
Total				4.45 crores

IWID Rs.2.20 lakhs and INSPIRE Rs.32,000

3.7 No. of books published i) With ISBN No.  Chapters in Edited Books

ii) Without ISBN No.

3.8 No. of University Departments receiving funds from

UGC-SAP  CAS  DST-FIST   
 DPE  DBT Scheme/fund

3.9 For colleges Autonomy  CPE  DBT Star Scheme   
 INSPIRE  CE  Any Other (specify)

3.10 Revenue generated through consultancy

3.11 No. of conferences organized by the Institution

Level	International	National	State	University	College
Number	7	21	3	63	20
Sponsoring agencies	DST,CSIR,DRDO	UGC	CDC	UGC,CDC,EDC	EDC

3.12 No. of faculty served as experts, chairpersons or resource persons

3.13 No. of collaborations International  National  Any other

3.14 No. of linkages created during this year

3.15 Total budget for research for current year in lakhs:

From funding agency  From Management of University/College   
 Total

3.16 No. of patents received this year

Type of Patent		Number
National	Applied	
	Granted	
International	Applied	1
	Granted	
Commercialised	Applied	
	Granted	

3.17 No. of research awards/ recognitions received by faculty and research fellows Of the institute in the year

Total	International	National	State	University	Dist	College
	3	3	1	-	-	-

3.18 No. of faculty from the Institution who are Ph. D. Guides and students registered under them

41

142

3.19 No. of Ph.D. awarded by faculty from the Institution

14

3.20 No. of Research scholars receiving the Fellowships (Newly enrolled + existing ones)

JRF 1

SRF -

Project Fellows 3

Any other 21

3.21 No. of students Participated in NSS events:

University level 200 State level -

National level - International level -

3.22 No. of students participated in NCC events: -----

University level - State level

National level - International level

3.23 No. of Awards won in NSS:

University level - State level -

National level - International level -

3.24 No. of Awards won in NCC:

University level - State level -

National level - International level -

3.25 No. of Extension activities organized

University forum 8

College forum

NCC

NSS 10

Any other 1

### 3.26 Major Activities during the year in the sphere of extension activities and Institutional Social Responsibility

- Blood Donation Camp
- Eye-Treatment Camp
- Cleaning the environment of villages
- Teaching various skills to be school students in and around Kodaikanal
- Polio second stage program
- Laughing Therapy to Faculty Members
- Launching Rajiv Gandhi Khel Abeyam Scheme
- TB Awareness
- HIV Awareness
- Adoption of a tribal settlement
- Mental mathematics for school children
- Voting awareness program in Villpatti
- Nutrition awareness camp
- Bone Mineral Density and Anaemia Screening
- Campus plastic free zone
- Cleaning Kodaikanal lake
- General health counselling
- Health and nutrition for tribal children
- Coping strategies for women managing small business
- Health and sanitation for Fortune Tellers



## Criterion – IV

### 4. Infrastructure and Learning Resources

#### 4.1 Details of increase in infrastructure facilities:

Facilities	Existing	Newly created	Source of Fund	Total
Campus area	3837.38sq.m	--	--	3837.38sq.m
Class rooms	25	12	UGC Xth plan fund & State Government fund	37
Laboratories	1	--	State Government fund	1
Seminar Halls	1	1	State Government fund	2
No. of important equipments purchased ( $\geq$ 1-0 lakh) during the current year.	10	-	-	10
Value of the equipment purchased during the year (Rs. in Lakhs)	14.5crores	--	-	14.5 crores
Others	-	-	-	-

#### 4.2 Computerization of administration and library

- SOUL Software installed for easy searching of books
- Administration procedures are automated

#### 4.3 Library services:

	Existing		Newly added		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Text Books	5558 4	405 Lakhs	2205	15 Lakhs	57789	420 Lakhs
Reference Books	3000	22 Lakhs	1500	10.5 Lakhs	4500	32.5 Lakhs
e-Books	-		-		-	
Journals	20		-		20	
e-Journals	1500 0	-	3000		18000	-
Digital Database						
CD & Video						
Others (specify)						

#### 4.4 Technology up gradation (overall)

	Total Computers	Computer Labs	Internet	Browsing Centres	Computer Centres	Office	Departments	Others
Existing	209	4	Internet Lab for all students	Net-cafe for Hostel Students	1	3	16	--
Added	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	213	4	1	1	1	3	16	--

#### 4.5 Computer, Internet access, training to teachers and students and any other programme for technology upgradation (Networking, e-Governance etc.)

- Training programme on System Troubleshooting
- Library Workshop,
- Digital initiatives of INFLIBNET for students
- Developing Tamil web content and uploading
- FDP on e-content development
- ICT ACT

#### 4.6 Amount spent on maintenance in lakhs:

i)ICT	8.32 lakhs
ii)Campus Infrastructure and facilities	5.34 lakhs
iii)Equipments	268 lakhs
iv) Others	--
<b>Total:</b>	282lakhs

## Criterion – V

### 5. Student Support and Progression

#### 5.1 Contribution of IQAC in enhancing awareness about Student Support Services

1. Arrangement for Campus Placement
2. Internet service for students
3. Earn while you learn schemes for students
4. Sales promotion by students [ Gramodaya products]
5. URL services for Students
6. Science and Arts Forum
7. EXNORA for waste management
8. Rotract club
9. Herbal Garden
10. Tree Plantation
11. Sports Club

#### 5.2 Efforts made by the institution for tracking the progression

1. Campus Interview.
2. Science Forum-competitions to test Skills.
3. SPARK
4. WUSF
5. Participation of students in Zonal/National level Sports events
6. Ramanujam Club
7. Publications

#### 5.3 (a) Total Number of students

UG	PG	Ph. D.	Others
6	325	184	50

#### (b) No. of students outside the state

103

#### (c) No. of international students

-

No	%
-	-

Men

No	%
565	100

Women

Last Year						This Year					
General	SC	S T	OB C	Physically Challenged	Total	General	SC	S T	OB C	Physically Challenged	Total
4	232	4	128	--	368	9	175	5	376	--	565

Demand ratio  Dropout

5.4 Details of student support mechanism for coaching for competitive examinations (If any)

- Coaching on TNPSC Group II examination
- Soft Skills for all final year students
- Social Intelligence skill training
- Coaching for Bank examination

No. of students beneficiaries

5.5 No. of students qualified in these examinations

NET  SET/SLET  GATE  CAT   
IAS/IPS etc  State PSC  UPSC  Others

5.6 Details of student counselling and career guidance

1. Workshop organised by inviting outside experts from reputed institutions
2. Remedial coaching
3. Career guidance
4. Students Counselling centre

No. of students benefitted

5.7 Details of campus placement

On campus			Off Campus
Number of Organizations Visited	Number of Students Participated	Number of Students Placed	Number of Students Placed
1	35	3	28

## 5.8 Details of gender sensitization programmes

- Seminar on Child Abuse, Causes and Preventive Measure
- Violence against women
- Gender sensitization for Self Help Groups

## 5.9 Students Activities

### 5.9.1 No. of students participated in Sports, Games and other events

State/ University level  National level  International level

No. of students participated in cultural events

State/ University level  National level  International level

### 5.9.2 No. of medals /awards won by students in Sports, Games and other events

Sports: State/ University level  National level  International level

Cultural: State/ University level  National level  International level

## 5.10 Scholarships and Financial Support

	Number of students	Amount
Financial support from institution	--	
Financial support from government	SC/ST,BC,MBC, DNC, Minorities UGC single girl child  Uzhavar Scholarship	Rs 24,000 p.a
Financial support from other sources	1(Vijayalakshmi trust)	Rs.50,000 p.a
Number of students who received International/ National recognitions	2 (INSPIRE)	Rs.3,84,000 p.a
	2 (TNSCST)	Rs.2,40,000 p.a

5.11 Student organised / initiatives

Fairs: State/ University level  National level  International level

Exhibition: State/ University level  National level  International level

5.12 No. of social initiatives undertaken by the students: 6

- Campus cleaning
- Gardening
- Lake cleaning
- NSS
- RRC
- Yoga- Pudhuyugam TV

5.13 Major grievances of students (if any) redressed:

- Hostel grievance
- Transportation
- Warm Food
- Water Problem
- Net cafe
- UPS
- Gym
- Bank Service
- Napkin vending machine
- Flooring
- CC TV

## Criterion – VI

### **6. Governance, Leadership and Management**

#### 6.1 State the Vision and Mission of the institution

##### **Vision**

- Holistic empowerment of women via education
- A Society of equal status between men and women

##### **Mission**

- Promote women's education at all levels
- A pioneer in the field of women empowerment
- Impart education of international standards

#### 6.2 Does the Institution has a management Information System

Procedures of administrative sections are automated and information systems are maintained at respective places.

#### 6.3 Quality improvement strategies adopted by the institution for each of the following:

##### 6.3.1 Curriculum Development

- Curriculum Development Cell monitors
- Broad based curriculum
- Periodical Curriculum revision
- Slant on Women's Studies in all disciplines

##### 6.3.2 Teaching and Learning

- ICT enabled teaching and Learning
- Hands on experience
- Team Teaching
- Internship

##### 6.3.3 Examination and Evaluation

- Choice Based Credit System
- Dummy Number
- Instant Examination
- Endowment Prizes
- OMR

#### 6.3.4 Research and Development

- Research Committees
- Research Publications with citation index and high impact factors
- Financial Assistance from Funding Agencies
- Inter disciplinary Research

#### 6.3.5 Library, ICT and physical infrastructure / instrumentation

- Video Lectures
- 1 GB connectivity – Campus-wide LAN
- 5 Smart Class Rooms
- Video Conferencing
- SHODHGANGA
- Library Automation
- UGC Info net
- OPAC
- Institutional Repository

#### 6.3.6 Human Resource Management

- E-Governance,
- Committees, Deans, EC, AC, Planning Board
- College Development Council, Students Affairs

#### 6.3.7 Faculty and Staff recruitment

- Faculty - Selection Committee as per UGC Norms
- Staff –Through Employment Exchange and Direct recruitment

#### 6.3.8 Industry Interaction / Collaboration

##### MoUs with

- ICT Academy of Tamil Nadu (Objective: To train the trainer)
- Tally
- Ms. Chellamuthu Trust and Research Foundation, Madurai
- MoU signed with TEA-National Institute of Fashion Technology , Tirupur for skill training
- M&H consultancy services ,Chennai
- ACE Equity, Chennai
- Corporation bank, Banglore
- All is Well HR solutions, Chennai



### 6.3.9 Admission of Students

- Admission Committees
- Entrance Examinations and Interviews
- As per Government Roaster System

6.4 Welfare schemes for

Teaching	Health Insurance, Health centre, Gymnasium
Non teaching	Gymnasium, Health Insurance, Health centre
Students	Gymnasium, Net-Café, Loan Scholarship for SC/ST hostel students

6.5 Total corpus fund generated

6.6 Whether annual financial audit has been done Yes

No

6.7 Whether Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) has been done?

Audit Type	External		Internal	
	Yes/No	Agency	Yes/No	Authority
Academic			Yes	IAAC
Administrative			Yes	UAAC

6.8 Does the University/ Autonomous College declares results within 30 days?

For UG Programmes

Yes

No

For PG Programmes

Yes

No

6.9 What efforts are made by the University/ Autonomous College for Examination Reforms?

- Transparency
- Online declaration of results
- Instant examination

6.10 What efforts are made by the University to promote autonomy in the affiliated/constituent colleges?

- Autonomy in
- Students Admission
  - Staff recruitment
  - Introduction of new courses
  - Research departments

6.11 Activities and support from the Alumni Association

- Guest lectures on respective research areas
- Instituted awards for winners of Documentary films

6.12 Activities and support from the Parent – Teacher Association

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6.13 Development programmes for support staff

- Technical Writing workshop
- Advanced Computer applications

6.14 Initiatives taken by the institution to make the campus eco-friendly

- Plastic free Campus
- Tree Plantation
- Kitchen gardening
- Rain water harvesting
- Herbal Garden

## **Criterion – VII**

### **7. Innovations and Best Practices**

7.1 Innovations introduced during this academic year which have created a positive impact on the functioning of the institution. Give details.

- EDC -Skill Training program for rural women CDC
- Adoption of Tribal settlement
- Student Quality circle

7.2 Provide the Action Taken Report (ATR) based on the plan of action decided upon at the beginning of the year

1. Preparation of SSR for NAAC – submitted in 2014.
2. Launching Tamil Nadu Commonwealth Centre – Established with State Government assistance.
3. Strengthening Institutions – Industry collaborations- MoUs are signed and activities have been started collaboratively.
4. Centres of various specialised areas to be started a few centres viz, Gandhian Studies, Swami Vivekananda Studies, Rural Development and Intellectual Property Rights.

7.3 Give two Best Practices of the institution (*please see the format in the NAAC Self-study Manuals*)

- Designing and Developing Curriculum for quality teaching/learning
- Self employability through Skill Training

***Annexure IV***

7.4 Contribution to environmental awareness / protection

Environmental Awareness given to Tribals EXNORA Water bodies, Research projects, sanitary napkins Curriculum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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7.5 Whether environmental audit was conducted?      Yes                      No

7.6 Any other relevant information the institution wishes to add. (for example SWOT Analysis)

Academic audit, Social audit
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## **8. Plans of institution for next year**

- A-View proposed
- Smart card (Cash free campus)
- Creation of Schools
- New academic programs
- Institutional/ Industry collaboration for skill training & Placement
- Advanced student support services
- Digitalization of grey literature
- Promoting research on women in development at the national and international level.
- Equipping students for self employment

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## **Annexure II**

### **Alumni's Feedback**

1. To convene alumni meet every year for better networking.
2. Contributes to subscription and donation.
3. To provide set of support in curriculum formation and chart out extra-curricular activities.
4. Human resource reservoirs for Ph.D. Scholars/ M.Phil. / PG.: Teacher Education and Higher Education Institutions.
5. Placement to be organised in plains.

### **Parents Feedback**

1. To offer Bridge course for new subject for MBA
2. Communication skills – for Tamil medium students
3. Students require safe transport facilities
4. Minority students and local students and first generation and SC/ST

### **Students Feedback**

1. Working hours suitable to the environment.
2. Since a few buses are plying, requested special trips for students.
3. Hostel students requested supply of hot meals.
4. Photo stating facilities requested in the University premises.
5. Book bank requested.

## **Feedback from Co-operating Schools**

### **From Special Schools Where students go for Teaching Practice**

1. Students theoretical knowledge is good but effort should be taken to apply it practically among the students with mental retardation.
2. Days allotted for teaching practice can be increased from 20 to 30 as students have to learn how to handle children with mental retardation practically. Moreover students can be sent in 2 spells or teaching practice instead of sending them for 30 days in one spell.
3. Students are well equipped in the concepts related to mental retardation and we would like to attend campus interview if arranged by the University for Placement of the students in our school.
4. The strength of the students is their dedication and commitment in handling children with mental retardation.
5. Practical component in the curriculum has to be increased than the theory component as we need to train them practically when they are placed in our schools.

## Annexure IV

I

1. **Title of the Practice:**

Designing and Developing Curriculum for quality teaching/learning

2. **Objective of the Practice:**

The chief objective is to interact with subject experts in India and abroad to evolve a world class curriculum and to orient members of the Board of Studies to achieving this goal. Workshops are periodically conducted on teaching and research methodologies, curriculum designing and development, value addition, evaluation and employability issues. The end purpose is to train teachers in professional skills, and to prepare teaching modules and quality textbooks. Constant upgradation of this exercise is done through feedback from alumini, students and parents. The basic principle of this practice is to arrive at quality curriculum that is all at once innovative, attractive, knowledge oriented and employable.

3. **The Context:**

The main context in the curriculum designing is to make it all inclusive, one that defines emerging areas, interacting with other academic bodies and industrial sectors to create a curriculum that is grounded in practical and realistic aspects of teaching and learning methods. One of the major challenges in the task is to identify academic components and controls that world contribute to making the curriculum vibrant and applicable to life issues. At times a strong mindset for imparting traditional epidemiology defies a move towards including areas that are radical and perhaps one that challenges mental frontiers of knowledge. Preparation of resource materials and text books are to be produced with contemporaneous outlook, with elimination of deadwood concepts that have become outdated and archival. Curriculum formation has to break the traditional mould to be innovative.

4. **The Practice:**

Almost all disciplines have implemented the new curriculum and found it contextually lucrative. The Board of Studies comprises of leading subject experts in the field and pioneers the emerging areas have vitally contributed to the formation of the curriculum. The curriculum content has gained a new structure and is distinguished by its uniqueness compared with its predecessor and the pear curriculum of other institutions. One of the practice is the introduction of language skills for all PG in the II semester with 1 credit and a EDP paper in the II semester with 1 credit. The latter involves a project work followed by a viva-voce. It is to be mentioned that the formation of the curriculum also witnessed a

keen comparisons and contrast with others of its kind in higher education. The hurdles to the novelty of the project of the curriculum revision came from staff members of the affiliated colleges who were more in favour of retaining the curriculum component of the part, as they suggested the new texts were out of the reach of poor students and were also hard to secure. Further the fear of treading an unexplored area of study and its undivided reception was one of the limitations to the entire exercise of curriculum formation.

**5. Evidence of Success:**

In the teaching/learning process, students are more receptive to new information, knowledge dissemination and to emerging creative ideas. A few percentage of students are diffident to changes as they fear examination failures, and are on unsure grounds when new concepts, terminologies and jargons are introduced to them. However when the examination results were compared with foregone results, it was found that students under the new curriculum structure did not fare badly after all.

**6. Problems Encountered and Resource Required:**

The Tamil Nadu Government under its scheme for higher education has sanctioned Rs. 1 crore for selecting up the centre for curriculum development. Its main target is to evolve a world class education curriculum on par with other institutions abroad. The initial teething problem that accompanies any change was encountered with comments such as ‘a tough curriculum’, ‘difficult to pass the examinations’, ‘not acquainted with the area of study’, etc. With more departments plunging into the exercise of curriculum revamping, it has acquired a new dimension.

**7. Notes:**

Constant/periodic curriculum revision is an academic exercise most education institutions are involved in. Instead of making it a routine, monotonous activity it would be a best practice if more minds are pressed into making this academic curriculum revision which is the backbone to any academic institutions of excellence, a highly productive, dynamic and fruitful endeavour.

**II**

**1. Title of the practice:**

Self employability through Skill Training

**2. Objective of the practice:**

1. To develop skills specially designed for women students like jewels making, Mushroom Cultivation, Napkin Preparation and so on.



2. To create employability among students through Career Awareness Programmes, certificate courses, discipline oriented programmes.
3. Train students to appear for competitive examinations.

**Outcomes Intended:**

Students are lacking employability due to various reasons like communication skills, leadership skills, unaware of career related programmes of the government and other sectors and have no training / knowledge on the skills required to appear for competitive exams. Even their degrees related employability is denied due to lack of practice in their related field.

Hence, considering all these issues, EDC trains students:

- On Numerical skills required to appear for competitive exams.
- Offers certificate course (Tally ERP) which students of any discipline can learn and gain employability.
- Awareness programmes like how to appear for Banks exams, to be an LIC agent, career opportunities in Chartered Accountant, Cost and Management Accountant and Company Secretary ship.
- Training on preparation of Electronic Circuits Models.

In addition, to enable the students to become Entrepreneurs, the cell offers various skill training for short duration - much demanded and provides very good income with low investments suitable to women students like

1. Jewel making
2. Pot designing
3. Mushroom cultivation
4. Food Items preparation
5. Bakery Item Preparation
6. Domestic cleaning agents preparations
7. Arts and crafts
8. Apiculture
9. Kitchen gardening
10. low cost teaching aids
11. napkin preparations
12. Foot mat from unused and waste materials and so on.

**3. The Context:**

While implementing this practice the challenges faced by the cell are:

1. Curriculum must permit and provide for the inclusion of skill training
2. Students of Master degree are expecting discipline oriented modular employability skills to be imparted.

3. Impartation of skill needs investments of small size from students' side for the purchase of raw materials for certain training programmes which they don't prefer.
4. Skills / Training of societal issues like solar installation training and so on requires high cost which usually are not affordable by the students.
5. The cell must solicit funds for entrepreneurship programmes from various funding agencies to enrich its activities and guidance on this issue that how to link suitable candidates under funding agencies programmes must be given
6. Government should identify the candidates and should implement the programmes through educational institutions

#### 4. Practice

Most of the students of the University are from minority community, the cell hopes that success lies in the identification of suitable training programmes applicable to women students. The cell usually offers low cost but income generating short duration training programmes to students. Hence the students after learning the particular skill could prepare the products and sell it to their friends, relatives and neighbours. This income helps the students to meet their personal needs like refreshment charges, fees, tour expenses and so on. This motivates the parents also and they join their hand in their ward endeavour.

Students who are trained under various categories are called as trainers in the successive programmes and which act as live examples as entrepreneurs to present learners. So the cell could offer programmes with cost effective basis and the fund of the cell could be diverted in **establishing respective workshops**. The cell established Napkin unit at Nilakottai Centre which is the entrepreneurial Centre of the University.

For Napkin wrapper design, the cell offers chances to MCA students and invites innovative wrapper design from them. The student brought out lot number of designs and of them, best is selected by the Vice Chancellor and named as **Safety & Softy**.

The produced Napkins are distributed to local village people at Nilakottai and their satisfaction level is solicited and the outcome of the result is good. Now the cell aims for formal sale.

The Cell trains the students in spiral binding and trained students are appointed under Earn While You Learn Scheme. They collect the student's projects (both internships, main projects) and do the binding at lower cost than that of market price which is welcomed by our students

It is also inevitable that the business ideas of the students should be brought into notice of the public and support should be provided to them in the form of linkage

with financial institution, guiding market analysis and so on. Hence as first step, the cell conducted Business Plan competition inviting best business proposals among the college students of Tamil Nadu. After panel scrutiny, best proposal is selected and given cash award.

The cell focuses not only the students but also the faculty. It trains the faculty (training to trainers- TOT) in entrepreneurial concepts with the intention of inculcating the entrepreneurial spirit in students. This Faculty Development Programme enable the faculty to know not only the concepts of entrepreneurship but also the other components necessary for being an entrepreneurs- finance, marketing, business proposal writing and so on.

## **5. Evidence of Success:**

- 1) As a result of awareness programmes, the students enthusiasm is created
- 2) Discipline oriented programme provide best result to the student.  
Preparation of Electronic Circuit Models training enables the physics students to prepare school students project and thereby gain employment to earn money.
- 3) Skill training provide excellent result among the students  
Mushroom cultivation requires low investment but yield would be reaped within 15-20 days. Kodaikanal climate is very conducive enough to grow mushroom and demand for mushroom now a days is increasing. The Mush room cultivation training enabled our students to grow in their home and supply the products to their neighbouring, house, friends and relatives.
- 4) Domestic Cleaning agents preparation training also provides attractive income to our students. They also supply the products to the University, faculty and to their students friends
- 5) The business plan proposal s writing training turns the MBA students to be a consultant to SHGS member in preparing their proposals
- 6) Low cost kitchen gardening practices created the students to take up small gardening ventures for their Entrepreneurship programme (Non subject skill base elective) and the producers of them are sold to staff and students.
- 7) Bakery items , Food Processing training gives an opportunity to Home Science students to host their Guests who are visiting their departments for various reasons
- 8) Low cost Teaching aids preparation training enables the participants (B.Ed., M.Ed.) to prepare and sell the Teaching aids to the students of Education to other students while their teaching practice.
- 9) Jewel making training kindles the entrepreneurial traits of students of many disciplines and they produce and distribute/sell it to their students at their birthdays.

- 10) Mud Pot Designing training gives considerable income to the students participants as the designed pots are much wanted by many small concerns for decorating their ambience.
- 11) As a result of Foot mate from unused or waste materials training student are regularly earning meager amount to meet their expenses like material Xerox, internet usage and purchase of stationery

**6. Problems:**

1. They need financial support for initial start ups
2. They required linkage with financial institutions
3. They want to know the branding, registration procedure.
4. They need information on purchase of materials at low cost
5. They need packing facility /help/ equipments knowledge and quotations
6. They need to be supported to form cluster
7. They need to be monitored by suitable committee for further progress
8. Being women entrepreneurs, they need to be counselled in overcoming problems from family side, society side.
9. As the educational institution is unable to go beyond certain limit, there must be an mechanism linking the women entrepreneurs, Institution and Entrepreneurship Institute of the government for monitoring the regular development of student entrepreneurs.