# Mudalgi Education Society's ARTS AND COMMERCE COLLEGE, MUDALGI (DIST: BELAGAVI) Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

#### **Institutional Distinctiveness**

The institution housed in the semi urban area has been endeavouring to build the future of the rural aspirants. The focus has been on the holistic development of students. We provide the rural aspirant every available opportunity and resources to facilitate their holistic development. The focus is on the pursuit of knowledge, acquisition of wisdom, imbibing social and life values There is equal attention given to the curricular as well as co curricular and extra- curricular activities. The multipronged effort on the part of the faculty and the management with desired support from the stakeholder, our institution has become the source of knowledge and wisdom to succeed in the job market as well as in the life. Our institution graduates B.A. and B.Com aspirants at the lowest cost. We feel ours is the only institution in the vicinity of competing institutions which does not charge any development fees or hidden charges in any form, not even a rupee for the entire duration of the graduation program. The firm faith in the faculty excellence and the meaningful institutional activities has been the strength of our institution. Our students have unique identity due to their dedication and faculty support. Most of the feeding comes from the poor agrarian background. The much needed financial support is extended by the institution in the form of books, money, cash prizes, fee concessions, sports training camps, etc. The academic excellence and ambient atmosphere of our institution is alluring and constantly praiseworthy. In the brief period of 36 years, 14 of our college students have got the university ranks and 6 students have won the gold medals in various subjects at the university examinations. Our college pass outs have maintained the reputation of receiving the prestigious Satish Sugar Awards for academic excellence (Rs. 10000/- Cash Prize and Citation). The co-curricular and extension activities are complementary to the academic growth. In co-curricular activities students are made aware of issues such as gender sensitivity and environment safety through programs by the college unions and associations. The excellence in the sports section is laudable and enviable too. Our college has so far produced 78 university blues in various sports and games, won many team championships in various sports and games.

## 1. Green Campus Initiatives by Our Institution

"Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's need, but not for every man's greed"

- Mahatma Gandhi

• Our Green Campus is a Cleaner, Safer and Healthier Place to work, breath and mould the career

- We motivate students to save Energy for the Brighter and better Future
  - Save the Water and Save Life tag line
  - Cut down the Use of Papers in Daily Life
    - Use more ICT Tools

## **Green Campus Initiatives by Our Institution**

A Green Campus is a place where environmental friendly thoughts and education is combined to promote sustainable and eco-friendly leaning activities. The green campus concept offers an institution the opportunity to take the lead in redefining its environmental culture and developing new paradigms by creating sustainable solutions to environmental degradation and contamination, social and economic crisis and needs of the mankind. Polluted minds easily embrace polluted thoughts.

### **Major Green Camps Initiatives:**

- Regular addition to the well-managed Tree Park sprawling in 10 acres with 2000 trees under Social Forestry Scheme.
- Complete Ban on Plastic/Polythene on Campus, minimum usage of the mobile phones,
- Solar Power Station
- Use of more LEDs than CFL
- Waste Water Management
- Institute Community Garden
- Housing various types of birds species and reptiles.
- Preparation of Compost
- 'Each one plant one' initiative

Greening the campus is all about sweeping away wasteful inefficiencies and using renewable sources of energies for its daily power needs, timely disposal bio waste, purchase of environment friendly electric and electronic materials and wares. Our Institute works on the time bound strategies to implement green initiatives. These strategies are incorporated into the institutional planning and budgeting processes with the aim of developing a clean and green campus.

## 2. Women's Association Programme for their Empowerment

We believe in the quote "never cut the wings of women let them fly and spread the fragrance". Women need to be educated and empowered for the development of the nation. It is rightly said that 'The hand that rocks the cradle betters the nation'.

Our college regularly sensitizes the staff and students on the important issues such as gender discrimination, mal nutrition, equal opportunities, child marriages, effects of domestic violence,

exploitation and sexual abuse, teenage pregnancy, inclusive education, protection and fostering of aesthetics of nature.

The most encouraging sign today at higher education level is the tremendous increase in the admission of girls to the HEIs. The resources and skills have been wasted so far by keeping females restricted to door steps. The well thought regular government programmes and policies have attracted, encouraged and sensitized the girls to go for higher education. Our college has active Women's Association's. It organizes and conducts various programmes to educate, sensitize and activate their thoughts with regard to gender discrimination and the need for gender equity. The following programmes are carried out during every academic year.

- Celebration of International Women's Day. It is much awaited, talked and the grandest event on the campus.
- Eminent women achievers in various fields are invited to enlighten, motivate and inspire the girls with rural background.
- Various rallies and awareness programmes highlight the evils of Female feticide, dowry system, domestic violence, inhuman acts of rape and mal treatment, eve teasing and the need for the women empowerment. These programmes help in sensitizing on gender equity in an effective manner.
- The entire staff of the college takes care of the safety of female students. There is lot of encouragement and ample incentive for their progression in academic, extra-curricular, co-curricular and extension activities.
- The safety and incentives for the female students have yielded the desired fruits. *Among our three rankers and three gold medalists, five are girls*. The college toppers are more girl students in the last five years. There is constant rise in the female enrolment in our college though the government run neighboring college provides free education for girls.
- Often vociferous protest rallies are taken in to the city to search or catch and to give optimum punishment to the rapist in the state or country, if any.
- There has not been a single incident of violence against the woman of any kind on the campus since the inception of the college.