

The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) of the IQAC

2016 - 2017

Submitted to

**National Assessment and Accreditation Council
(NAAC)
Bangalore**



PSG College of Arts & Science

**Autonomous & Affiliated to Bharathiar University
Accredited with 'A' Grade Level by NAAC (3rd Cycle)**

**College with Potential for Excellence
(Status Awarded by the UGC)**

Star College status awarded by the DBT-MST

**An ISO 9001:2008 Certified Institutional Aerodrome Post,
Coimbatore - 641 014**



Part – A

AQAR for the year

2016 - 2017

1. Details of the Institution

1.1 Name of the Institution

PSG College of Arts & Science

1.2 Address Line 1

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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 st Cycle	Five Star	-	2000	5 years
2	2 nd Cycle	A ⁺	-	2007	5 years
3	3 rd Cycle	A	3.62	2014	5 years

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

1.8 AQAR for the year (for example 2010-11)

1.9 Details of the previous year's AQAR submitted to NAAC after the latest Assessment and Accreditation by NAAC AQAR

AQAR	Date Submitted
2013 - 2014	30/06/2016
2014 - 2015	28/01/2017
2015 - 2016	31/05/2017

1.10 Institutional Status

University	NA
Affiliated College	Yes
Constituent College	No
Autonomous college of UGC	Yes
Regulatory Agency approved Institution	Yes
Type of Institution	Coeducational Institution
Type of Institution	Rural
Financial Status	Grant-in-aid + Self Financing

1.11 Type of Faculty/Programme

Arts	✓	Science	✓	Commerce	✓
Law	-	PEI (Phys Edu)	-	TEI (Edu)	-
Engineering	-	Health Science	-	Management	-
Others (Specify)	-				

1.12 Name of the Affiliating University

Bharathiar University, Coimbatore – 641 046

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

Autonomy by State/Central Govt. / University	✓
University with Potential for Excellence	NA
UGC-CPE	✓
DST Star Scheme	✓
UGC-CE	-
UGC-Special Assistance Programme	-
DST-FIST	✓
UGC-Innovative PG programmes	-
UGC-COP Programmes	✓
Any other	B. Voc. Programme

2. IQAC Composition and Activities

2.1 No. of Teachers	12
2.2 No. of Administrative/Technical staff	2
2.3 No. of students	-
2.4 No. of Management representatives	1
2.5 No. of Alumni	1
2.6 No. of any other stakeholder and community representatives	-
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: No. Faculty

Non-Teaching Staff Students Alumni Others

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

- Orientation programme on Academic Audit
- OBE for Sustainable and Societal Development: Need of the Hour?”
- Curriculum Design & Frame Work
- Discerning Benchmarking Criteria and Quality Parameters in Higher Education: Global and Indian Dimensions
- Enchiridion for a Compassionate Leadership
- Value in Work and Value in Publication: Designing Research with Metonymic Resonance
- Orientation for the newly recruited faculty members about the quality, PSGCAS IQAC and related activities

2.14 Significant Activities and contributions made by IQAC

- **A comprehensive Academic Audit** was conducted on 20.08.2016 for all the Departments and a minimum of two external experts per department were invited for the same. A detailed consolidated academic audit report has been prepared by the IQAC and is submitted to the Principal for the follow –up action.
- **One-day Workshop on “Outcome Based Education for Sustainable and Societal Development: Need of the Hour?”** was conducted by the IQAC, on 26.08.2016 for all the faculty members.
- **NAAC Sponsored National Seminar on “Discerning Benchmarking Criteria and Quality Parameters in Higher Education: Global and Indian Dimensions”** was organised by the IQAC on 20th January 2017.
- The IQAC of the College organized **Synetics Edition VIII - “Enchiridion for a Compassionate Leadership”** – An Activity Bound 4-days Workshop from 26th to 29th March, 2017. The prime motive of the workshop was to infuse optimism among the student community and develop leadership qualities as well as societal consciousness.
- **Workshop on “Value in Work and Value in Publication: Designing Research with Metonymic Resonance”** on 27th and 28th April 2017 was conducted by the IQAC for the M.Phil & Ph.D. Research Scholars of the College.

Other activities and contributions of PSGCAS IQAC are as follows:

- One-day faculty development programme for the faculty members was conducted on 16th of July 2016. Around 320 staff members participated in the programme. The sessions were related to the respective core subjects and the topics covered also included effective teaching, classroom communication, technology for enhancing the teaching – learning process, professional networking, willingness and adaptability to change etc.
- The second one-day faculty development programme for the faculty members was conducted on 17th of September 2016. Parallel sessions were organised based on the subject of interest coupled with hands on training programmes.
- The PSG CAS IAS Study Circle along with FSCOP Institute for IAS & IPS, Coimbatore, organized a special interactive meeting with Shri. A. Pari, IPS, IG of West Zone, Coimbatore, on 30th of August 2016. He addressed the gathering on “Tracking Top UPSC positions with Tractability”.
- National level conference on “Emerging Trends in Global Commerce with Special Focus on India” was organized by the PSG CAS School of Commerce & ICAI, Coimbatore Chapter, on 31st of August 2016
- The Department of Biochemistry under the DBT Star College Scheme, organized a faculty development programme on “Intellectual Property Rights: Issues & Challenges” on 2nd September 2016. Dr. M. Padmavati, Associate Professor, Rajiv Gandhi School of IP Law, IIT, Kharagpur, addressed the gathering. Staff members and students from all the life science departments participated in the programme.
- The XXX Graduation Day was held on 1st October, 2016. Dr. A. Ganapathy, Vice-Chancellor, Bharathiar University, was the Chief Guest, Er. Ravinder Gaur, Member Secretary, Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India, was the Guest of Honour.
- Two day national workshop on ‘Legal Awareness’ funded by the National Commission for Women, New Delhi, was organized by the Department of Social Work on 5th and 6th October, 2016. Smt. R. Arulmozhiselvi, Sub-Judge, Avinashi, inaugurated the workshop. Honorable. S. P. Velumani, Minister for Municipal Administration, Rural Development & Implementation of Special Programme, Government of Tamil Nadu, delivered the valedictory address.
- A Lecture workshop series on “Progress and Challenges in Life Sciences” was organized by the Department of Biochemistry on 6th and 7th October, 2016, with financial assistance under the Science Academies Education Programme by the Indian Academy of Sciences, Indian National Science Academy and The National Academy of Sciences.

- The Department of Catering Science & Hotel Management along with Chef Madhu Wadhwa & Anu organized a Master chef style cooking competition 'CHEF EXTRAORDINAIRE 2016' for the public and students of Coimbatore on 15.10.2016.
- The College library organized a two day national seminar on "Criss Crossing the Digital Revolution – The Choices and Challenges for Libraries in India" on 16th and 17th of November 2016.
- The Inspire Summer Internship camp funded by the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India, was organized by the Department of Biochemistry, PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore, for a period of 5 days between 22nd of November 2016 and 26th of November 2016. The programme was inaugurated by Dr P.Gunasekaran, Pro Vice Chancellor, VIT University.
- PSG CAS in association with the World Community Service Centre (WCSC), Coimbatore Zone, organized a seven day 'Net Coaching Programme' for the PhD and MPhil scholars between 24th of December 2016 and 30th of December.
- A National Conference on Innovative Computational Techniques (NCICT'17) was organised by the Department of Computer Science on 24th of February 2017. It focused on experimental, theoretical and application aspects of innovations in computer technology.
- The Women's Forum (Centre for Women's Studies, SRISTHI, WAHAP) celebrated International Women's Day on 8th March 2017. On the occasion PSG CAS **Gender Audit Report 2013-2017** and the **Newsletter of CWS were released**. Short Film, Photography and other literary competitions were held for the students and prizes were distributed to the winners.
- On **21st of June 2017, International Day of Yoga** was organised in association with the **World Community Service Centre (WCSC)**, Aliyar, Coimbatore. The students and staff members participating in various events.

2.15 Plan of Action by IQAC/Outcome

Plan of Action	Achievements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Strengthening of the IQAC infrastructure and manpower. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New office was allocated to IQAC and the one staff was inducted.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To conduct a full-fledged Academic Audit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Academic audit was conducted for all the departments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To bring in a comprehensive performance appraisal system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Performance appraisal was conducted for the self-financing faculty members.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To improve the existing academic, research and administrative infrastructure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Space audit committee was formed for the effective space utilisation and the additional requirements for space have been submitted to the principal.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Initiation of staff-club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Staff-club for the self-financing faculty members was formed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Expansion of hostel facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ New hostel for the girl students has been constructed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Continuous motivation to the faculty members for applying research projects. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ IQAC is providing continuous support by organising meetings of faculty members with research advisers as well as helping in formulating the proposals.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Enhancement in the DBT STAR College activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An array of events was conducted by the Star Departments.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To work for the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The College was ranked 11th in the NIRF ranking

2.15 Whether the AQAR was placed in statutory body Yes No
 Management Syndicate Any other body

Provide the details of the action taken

The AQAR was approved by the College Committee and the following suggestions were made:

1. To go in for Major Syllabus Revision during March – 2018.
2. Awareness generation activities on Research Based Learning.
3. To enhance the Central Research Laboratory Activities.
4. IQAC to conduct a sponsored National Seminar.
5. Performance appraisal has to be conducted for the faculty members.

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	19	2		
PG	28		13	
UG	45	3	32	
PG Diploma	5		5	
Advanced Diploma				
Diploma	7		7	
Certificate	13		13	
Others				
Total	117	5	70	
Interdisciplinary				
Innovative				

- 1.2 (i) **Flexibility of the Curriculum:** CBCS/Core/Elective option / Open options
(ii) **Pattern of programmes:**

Pattern	Number of programmes
Semester	All programmes are under semester pattern
Trimester	-
Annual	-

1.3 Feedback from stakeholders* (***On all aspects***)

Alumni Parents Employers Students

Mode of feedback : Online Manual

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

- Elective Papers with choice have been introduced in a few departments.
- Curriculum restructuring initiatives are in progress - will be finalized at the end of the academic year 2016-17.

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

<p><u>UG</u> BA Tamil BA Carnatic Music</p>	<p><u>Ph. D</u> Botany Corporate Secretaryship</p>
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Criterion – II

2. Teaching, Learning and Evaluation

2.1 Total No. of permanent faculty

	Total	Asst. Professors	Associate Professors	Professors	Others
Aided	125	70	54	-	-
Unaided	254	220	29	-	5

2.2 No. of permanent faculty with Ph.D. Aided – 95 Unaided - 84

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

Aided

Asst. Professors		Associate Professors		Professors		Others		Total	
R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V
-	49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49

Unaided

Asst. Professors		Associate Professors		Professors		Others		Total	
R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V	R	V
51	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51	-

2.4 No. of Guest and Visiting faculty and Temporary faculty - NA

2.5 Faculty participation in conferences and symposia:

No. of Faculty	International level	National level	State level
Attended	2	16	31
Presented	25	58	11
Resource Persons	1	4	4

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

- Judicious use of ICT in Teaching and Learning has been encouraged in the institution.
- Faculty Development Programme

2.7 Total No. of actual teaching days during this academic year 180

2.8 Examination/ Evaluation Reforms initiated by the Institution (for example: Open Book Examination, Bar Coding, Double Valuation, Photocopy, Online Multiple Choice Questions) :

- Evaluation Pattern :
 - i) CA 25% : CE 75% for theory and CA 40% : CE 60% for Practical examinations (CA - Continuous Assessment & CE Comprehensive Examination).
 - ii) Periodical Tests / Assignments / Seminars constitute the CA part.
 - iii) At least one 100% Continuous Assessment (CA) paper is offered in all UG & PG programmes.
- Central Valuation system 60% Internal and 40% External examiners is followed.
- Results published within **21 days** from the last date of examination and hosted in the **College website**.
- Provision for the following
 - To get photocopy of answer book under Transparency in examinations
 - Re-totaling
 - Revaluation
 - Improvement

- ‘General Awareness’ a compulsory on line paper with multiple choice questions is prescribed for all the UG programmes.

2.9 No. of faculty members involved in curriculum restructuring/revision/syllabus development as member of Board of Study/Faculty/Curriculum Development workshop

457

2.10 Average percentage of attendance of students

75%

2.11 Course/Programme wise distribution of pass percentage:

Title of the Programme	Total no. of students Appeared	Division				
		Distinction %	I %	II %	III %	Pass %
AIDED PROGRAMMES						
UNDERGRADUATE						
BA Sociology	50	14.00	34.00	14.00	12.00	74.00
BA Economics	44	6.81	34.09	27.27	6.81	75.00
English	58	6.89	63.79	17.24	1.72	89.65
BSc Psychology	61	19.67	60.65	14.75	-	95.08
Mathematics	57	73.68	17.54	5.26	-	96.49
Statistics	48	41.66	35.41	8.33	-	85.41
Physics	49	44.89	40.81	10.20	-	95.91
Chemistry	53	52.83	35.84	1.88	-	90.56
Botany	46	32.60	50.00	6.52	-	89.13
Zoology	44	52.27	38.63	9.09	-	100.00
Nutrition Food Service Magt. & Dietetics	46	36.95	50.00	4.34	-	91.30
Biochemistry	45	48.88	42.22	4.44	-	95.55
Electronics	46	32.60	45.65	8.69	-	86.95
BCom Corporate Secretaryship	57	56.14	33.33	8.77	-	98.24
BCom	56	51.78	26.78	1.78	-	80.35

Title of the Programme	Total no. of students Appeared	Division					
		Distinction %	I %	II %	III %	Pass %	
AIDED PROGRAMMES							
POST GRADUATE							
MA Economics	15	13.33	86.66	-	-	100.000	
Tamil	11	9.09	90.90	-	-	100.000	
MSW Social Work	48	27.08	56.25	-	-	83.333	
MJMC Journalism & Mass Communication	22	9.09	68.18	22.72	-	100.00	
MSc Applied Psychology	26	23.07	57.69	-	-	80.76	
MSc Mathematics	30	63.33	23.33	-	-	86.66	
Statistics	31	22.58	35.48	-	-	58.06	
Physics	27	96.29	3.70	-	-	100.00	
Chemistry	26	42.30	42.30	-	-	84.61	
Foods & Nutrition	18	50.00	38.88	-	-	88.88	
Biochemistry	37	40.54	5.40	-	-	45.94	
Applied Microbiology	29	51.72	48.27	-	-	100.00	
Environmental Science	25	40.00	60.00	-	-	100.00	
Computer Science	49	81.63	14.28	-	-	95.91	
M.Com	49	81.63	12.24	-	-	93.87	

* D - Distinction

Title of the Programme	Total no. of students Appeared	Division				
		Distinction %	I %	II %	III %	Pass %
<u>SELF SUPPORTING PROGRAMMES</u>						
<u>UNDERGRADUATE</u>						
BA English	45	8.88	64.44	20.00	-	93.33
BSc Mathematics	49	61.22	32.65	2.04	-	95.91
Mathematics With CA	59	62.71	35.59	1.69	-	100.00
Biochemistry	51	39.21	56.86	3.92	-	100.00
Computer Science A	55	40.00	50.90	7.27	-	98.18
Computer Science B	58	32.75	41.37	15.51	-	89.65
Electronics	46	10.87	52.17	15.21	-	78.26
Microbiology	51	35.29	50.98	7.84	-	94.11
Costume Design & Fashion	47	76.59	19.14	-	-	95.74
Catering Science & Hotel Management	43	2.32	46.51	32.55	-	81.39
Biotechnology	57	5.26	54.38	24.56	3.50	87.71
Visual Communication	48	22.91	62.50	4.16	-	89.58
Information Technology	57	36.84	42.10	10.52	-	89.47
BCom Corp. Secr. Ship A	48	25.00	58.33	14.58	-	97.91
Corp. Secr. Ship B	51	27.45	37.25	11.76	5.88	82.35

* D - Distinction

Title of the Programme	Total no. of students Appeared	Division				
		Distinction %	I %	II %	III %	Pass %
<u>SELF SUPPORTING PROGRAMMES</u>						
<u>UNDERGRADUATE</u>						
BCom A	55	29.09	45.45	7.27	3.63	85.45
B	55	29.09	36.36	9.09	-	74.54
BCom CA A	55	34.54	49.09	1.81	-	85.45
BCom CA B	55	50.90	40.00	3.63	-	94.54
BCom e-Commerce	55	27.27	49.09	12.72	-	89.09
BCom PA - A	58	68.96	25.86	1.72	-	96.55
BCom PA – B	50	54.00	42.00	-	-	96.00
BCom AF	56	53.57	26.78	3.57	-	83.92
BCom RM	50	18.00	46.00	14.00	-	78.00
BCom FS	41	36.58	41.46	12.19	-	90.24
BCom FT	41	17.07	56.09	12.19	-	85.36
BCom BBP	50	40.00	30.00	10.00	-	80.00
BBA A	48	10.41	31.25	16.66	-	58.33
B	50	14.00	42.00	20.00	-	76.00
BBA Information Systems	51	21.56	33.33	27.45	-	82.35
BBA Retail Management	53	9.434	41.50	22.64	-	73.58
BCA	58	43.10	37.93	8.62	-	89.65
B.Voc Food Processing	24	45.83	41.66	8.33	-	95.83
Hospitality Mgt.	17	-	23.52	52.94	5.88	82.35

Title of the Programme	Total no. of students Appeared	Division				
		Distinction %	I %	II %	III %	Pass %
<u>SELF SUPPORTING PROGRAMMES</u>						
<u>POSTGRADUATE</u>						
MA English	38	5.26	86.84	5.26	-	97.36
MSc Clinical Nutrition	23	65.21	30.43	-	-	95.65
Applied Electronics	17	70.58	29.41	-	-	100.00
Biotechnology	25	-	88.00	4.00	-	92.00
Electronic Media	17	29.41	52.94	-	-	82.35
Costume Design & Fashion	21	100.00	-	-	-	100.00
Software Systems	56	10.71	83.92	-	-	94.64
Botany	23	52.17	47.82	-	-	100.00
Zoology	19	63.15	31.57	-	-	94.73
MIB (Master of International Business)	43	44.18	48.83	2.32	-	95.34
MCom Corporate Secretaryship	44	40.90	47.72	4.54	-	93.18
Computer Applications	36	25.00	69.44	-	-	94.44
MCA	26	96.15	3.84	-	-	100.00
PGDBM (PG Diploma in Business Management.)	22	68.18	31.81	-	-	100.00
PGDIS (PG Diploma in Industrial Safety)	29	72.41	27.58	-	-	100.00

* D - Distinction

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

- Strives hard in sensitizing and promoting research culture in the institution.
- Offers guidelines to apply for funded projects (Minor & Major)
- Proactive in encouraging the faculty members to publish articles in journals having high impact factor
- Coordinates with the college library in all its endeavours

2.13 Initiatives undertaken towards faculty development

Faculty / Staff Development Programmes	Number of faculty benefitted
Refresher courses	-
UGC – Faculty Improvement Programme	-
HRD programmes	3
Orientation programmes	5
Faculty exchange programme	-
Staff training conducted by the university	6
Staff training conducted by other institutions	67
Summer / Winter schools, Workshops, etc.	40
Others	-

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	100	-	15	-
Technical Staff	71	-	7	-

Criterion – III

3. Research, Consultancy and Extension

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

- In Coordination with the Research Advisory Committee at the College the IQAC helps in writing the research proposals, for projects and publications. Faculty members are given guidance for applying minor and major research projects.
- The IQAC helps the interested faculty members to present papers in National level / International level Seminars / Conferences.
- IQAC makes aware of the fact that the college management provides TA & DA for presentation of major research project proposals to the faculty members.
- Proposals have been submitted to the management for undertaking extension activities.

3.2 Details regarding major projects

	Sanctioned
Number	3
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	121.24

3.3 Details regarding minor projects

	Sanctioned
Number	2
Outlay in Rs. Lakhs	1.80

3.4 Details on research publications

	International	National	Others
Peer Review Journals	76	10	-
Non-Peer Review Journals	-	-	-
e-Journals	-	-	-
Conference proceedings	1	7	17

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	No of Projects	Duration Year	Name of the funding Agency	Total grant sanctioned	Received
Major projects	3	3 Years	DST, ICSSR, ICMR	---	91.38
Minor Projects	2	1 Year	UGC, DBT	---	1.80
Others	6	2 Years	EDII, DBT, NCW, DST, RJNIYD	---	86.48
Total	11				179.66

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

ii) Without ISBN

3.8 No. of University Departments receiving funds from - NA

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	-	36	8	4	7

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	<input type="text" value="179.66"/>
From Management of University/College	<input type="text" value="-"/>
Total	<input type="text" value="179.66"/>

3.16 No. of patents received this year

Type of Patent		Number
National	Applied	-
	Granted	-
International	Applied	-
	Granted	1
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
7	1	1	5	-	-	-

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

Staff Students

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

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

JRF SRF Project Fellows Any other

3.21 No. of students Participated in NSS events:

University level	<input type="text" value="200"/>	State level	<input type="text" value="-"/>
National level	<input type="text" value="-"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="-"/>

3.22 No. of students participated in NCC events:

University level	<input type="text" value=""/>	State level	<input type="text" value="5"/>
National level	<input type="text" value="8"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="2"/>

3.23 No. of Awards won in NSS:

University level	<input type="text" value="-"/>	State level	<input type="text" value="-"/>
National level	<input type="text" value="3"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="-"/>

3.24 No. of Awards won in NCC:

University level	<input type="text" value="14"/>	State level	<input type="text" value="7"/>
National level	<input type="text" value="9"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="-"/>

3.25 No. of Extension activities organized

University forum	<input type="text" value="-"/>	College forum	<input type="text" value="5"/>
NCC	<input type="text" value="4"/>	NSS	<input type="text" value="2"/>
		Any other	<input type="text" value="-"/>

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

- BA English students (UA) visited King’s Kids Home, an orphanage at Ondipudur on 9th August 2016.
- To commemorate the International Day of Elderly Persons, the following activities were conducted for the elderly, based on the theme - take a stand against Elderly, by III B.A. students at St. Josephs Old Age Home, on 29th September 2016: Physical fitness exercises; Life description; Memory test.
- Students of Commerce with Retail Marketing visited Government Higher Secondary School, Kalapatti, on 10th September 2016 and conducted several activities to the students such as: Yoga practice, Career guidance, Soft skill training, Banking practice, Consumer awareness.

- BSc (Maths CA), visited Government Resident School, Thensangampalayam, Pollachi, on 29th September, 2016
- BBA (A) students visited Tirupur School for Deaf and Dumb. Cultural and sports competitions were conducted for the students and prizes were distributed. One-day food and their stationery requirements for a year were sponsored by the students.
- Students of III BCom (RM) visited Government Higher Secondary School, Kalapatti, on 10th September, 2016
- Free Legal Awareness campaign was conducted at Mullankadu, Anaikatty, Coimbatore on 17th September 2016.
- The I MSW students participated in slum survey to AD Colony, Porikadai Sandhu, conducted by PSG Urban Health Centre on 13th, 14th & 16th August 2016.
- Department of Clinical Nutrition assessed the 'Nutritional Status' of the children of V S Sengottaiah Memorial High School, Kurichi, Coimbatore.
- M.Sc (SS) visited Panchayat Union Middle School, Karupampalayam, Pollachi on 5th August 2016.
- BCom (PA) 'B' visited the Udayampalayam Corporation Higher Secondary School, Coimbatore, on 7th September 2016.

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	85 acres	-	-	85 acres
Class rooms	155	63	Management / Funded Projects	218
Laboratories	60	-	-	60
Seminar Halls	4	-	-	4
No. of important equipments purchased (≥ 1-0 lakh) during the current year.	94	17	Management / Funded Projects	111
Value of the equipment purchased during the year (Rs. in Lakhs)	113.19	36.00	Management / Funded Projects	149.19
Others	-	-	-	-

4.2 Computerization of administration and library - Yes / RFID Implementation

Library is fully computerised.

- Sufficient number of desk top systems and printers are provided.
- INFLIBNET's N-LIST consortia membership is available since 2010.
- The Library extension building of 24,000sq.ft has been constructed for utilization from the year 2012-13
- Updation of Nirmals Software from DOS to WINDOWS mode has been facilitated.
- The seating capacity of library patrons has been increased to 250.
- A high tech modernized seminar hall has been created in the library building.
- RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) technology for library security purpose has been implemented.
- A separate section has been created for research scholars, by maintaining "reference section".
- An archive section containing rare and old books numbering 23,000 in being maintained.

4.3 Library services:

	Existing		Newly added		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
Text Books	95,967	3,93,43,259	2,635	6,37,247	98,602	3,99,80,506
Reference Books	23,992	98,35,814	659	1,59,312	24,651	99,95,126
e-Books	31,35,809				31,35,809	
Journals	255	3,80,456	8	4,235	263	3,84,691
e-Journals	8,550				8,550	
Digital Database	5	3,40,106			5	
CD & Video	4,064		163		4,227	
Others (specify)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. e-Journals e-Books are subscribed under N-LIST programme 2. Subscribed e-Journals EBSCO Database 3. Indexing & Abstracting Database SCOPUS 4. The following financial Databases are subscribed 5. CMIE – ProwessIQ 6. Capitaline Plus 7. Indiastat.com 					

4.4 Technology up gradation (overall)

	Total Computers	Computer Labs	Internet	Browsing Centres	Computer Centres	Office	Departments	Others
Existing	1931	8	84 mbps	1	-	19	ALL	12
Added	363	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	2294	8	84 mbps	1	-	19	ALL	12

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

- The Departments, administrative offices and library have adequate number of computers, printers and internet connectivity.
- The administrative offices have photocopiers and fax machines.
- The entire campus is under CCTV surveillance
- An internet facility centre “Brahmam” is operating in the campus for all faculty members and students
- All the faculty members are trained to utilise ICT

- Seminar Rooms and Conference Halls are well equipped with multimedia facilities.
- Laptops and iPad are provided to all the Departments.
- The administrative offices use Comprehensive software for admission, fee collection, accounting, library process, maintenance of students’ data base, issue of identity cards etc.
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4.6 Amount spent on maintenance in lakhs :

i) ICT	201.58
ii) Campus Infrastructure and facilities	38.67
iii) Equipments	1.34
iv) Others	484.37
Total:	725.96

Criterion – V

5. Student Support and Progression

5.1 Contribution of IQAC in enhancing awareness about Student Support Services

- Induction programmes are conducted for the newly admitted students in order to create awareness about the student support services available in the campus.
- The IQAC communicates regularly to the HoDs and SQAC members about the schemes and services available for the students who in turn inform the same to the students, through the class tutors.
- IQAC with the help of the HoDs closely monitors the academic progress of students.

The IQAC further works in close association with the administrative authorities to analyze the following student support mechanisms:

- Free education scheme – Supported by the Management (including tuition fees, boarding and lodging)
- Free education Scheme – supported by PSG CAS Alumni Association
- Management support for students representing sports from institute under different categories.
 - Aided students - Free education
 - Students from Self-financing departments - 50% concession in college fee
 - Outstanding Sports person – Free hostel boarding and lodging facilities.
 - Selected sports person – free hostel boarding and lodging.
 - Students representing State / National events – exam fee would be refunded on Sports Day.
- The institute has 21 Clubs and forums whose office bearers are the students themselves.
- Elections are conducted for aided and unaided students separately to elect office bearers (Chairman, Vice-chairman, Secretary and Joint secretary) for Students Council.

5.2 Efforts made by the institution for tracking the progression

- The progression of students is monitored through result analysis and examination committee meeting.
- Digital technologies are utilized to support diverse needs of learners and also to enhance their learning capacity.

- The tutors communicate with parents to provide regular updates on the progress of students and seek their support to facilitate their children's learning
- Special Coordinators are appointed for Young Indian and Native Angel Network activities.

5.3 (a) Total Number of students

UG	PG	Ph. D.	Others
8655	2049	365	96

(b) No. of students outside the state

(c) No. of international students

Men	No	%	Women	No	%
	5074	45.44		6091	54.55

Last Year						This Year					
General	SC	ST	OBC	Physically Challenged	Total	General	SC	ST	OBC	Physically Challenged	Total
1181	962	54	8031	10	10228	1439	759	242	8725	07	11165

Demand ratio 1:12 Dropout % 1.40

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

- IAS Study Circle
- CPT - Coaching for CA exams by ICSI
- ICICI – PSG CAS – training and placement for students in banking sector

No. of students beneficiaries

5.5 No. of students qualified in these examinations

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IAS/IPS etc	<input type="text" value="-"/>	State PSC	<input type="text" value="1"/>	UPSC	<input type="text" value="-"/>	Others	<input type="text" value="-"/>

5.6 Details of student counselling and career guidance

- HOPE – Student counseling unit of the Department of Psychology caters to all the students in need of counseling.
- Grievances Redressal cell addresses the problems of students.
- The placement office imparts Placement Training and organizes Career Guidance Workshops for the students.
- Value Education is imparted through work book.
- Yoga is a compulsory component in the Value Based Education. In this year 2016 onwards Certificate Course in Yoga is conducted for all I year students jointly with World Community Service centre (WCSC).
- No. of students benefitted: All the students of the College

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
44	893	719	84

5.8 Details of gender sensitization programmes (CWS)*

- Workshop on **Coffee Painting and Terracotta Jewellery making** was organized for the girl students, faculty members as well as support staff of the College between 6th and 7th August, 2016.
- In association with PSG College of Nursing an Awareness Programme on “**Stimulate Younger Generation in Relevance to Breast Feeding**” was organized to commemorate the World Breast Feeding Week (August 1st Week) for our girl students on 3rd August 2016.
- All the women faculty members and supportive staff of the College attended a meeting on 21.10.2016 to present their views and suggestions about the various activities that can be carried out by the Centre for Women’s Studies for the benefit of both the Women Faculties and Women Students.
- A **Skill Development Program** was organized for the underprivileged school Girls staying in PSGG Kanya Gurukulam Girls Higher Secondary School Hostel, Coimbatore and continuing their schooling under free education scheme. Students’ volunteers dedicated their Weekends and taught them Life skills and Employability skills. It gave the Volunteers the joy of extending their support for social cause. The girls were taught Mehandhi art, Bag Making, News paper Bag making, Paper earrings etc. The girls were also helped to improve their Communication Skills and Basic

Mathematics. The Department of Chemistry also conducted special workshop on Soap Making and Phenyl sanitizer preparation.

- **“National Girl Child Day”** was celebrated on 24th January, 2017. Baby. Samikshaa (4 year old who can identify more than 150 countries on Globe), Ms Gayathri Sri (14 year old School Girl, an NCC Cadet who was selected to represent Tamilnadu in RD Parade) and Ms Manomani (PG Student of PSG College who can reverse recite any Tamil word/ song in a second) were called as Special invitees and they were honoured. The Keynote Address was delivered by Ms Rani Kanchana IRS, Deputy Commissioner of Income Tax, Coimbatore.
- A medical awareness program on **“Urology and Gynecology Issues faced by Women”** was conducted on 11th February, 2017. **Dr. Velam Thennavan, DFFP., MRCOG (Lon)** addressed the faculties on the above issues.
- International Women’s Day was celebrated on the Campus on 8th March 2017. Chief Guest of the function was Dr G Parameswari, Regional Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Coimbatore. Dr D Anusuya, Associate Professor of Commerce, Dr Lalitha Ramaswamy, Head & Associate Professor of Nutrition, Food Ser. Mgt. & Dietetics and Dr J Stella Irene Mary, Associate Professor of Mathematics shared their experiences to the gathering on **“A Journey towards Success”** . Centre for Women’s Studies - **News Letter 2016-2017 & Gender Audit – (2013-2017)** was released during the occasion. This year, our college honoured **Women alumini** for their excellence in their field. Two of our distinguished alumni **Smt. V Bagyarani, Chartered Accountant, Chennai and Smt Usha Natrajan, Proprietor, Gowri Hosiery Mills, Tirupur** was honoured during the occasion.
- An awareness Program on **“Bone Health for Women”** was organized on 23rd March 2017. **Dr. S. Karthik MBBS., MRCS (UK), Global Ortho & Trauma Hospital, Coimbatore** addressed the girl students.

5.9 Students Activities

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

State/ University level	81	National level	33	International level	6
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No. of students participated in cultural events

State/ University level	66	National level	20	International level	-
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5.9.2 No. of medals /awards won by students in Sports, Games and other events

Sports: State/ University level	<input type="text" value="10"/>	National level	<input type="text" value="16"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="6"/>
Cultural: State/ University level	<input type="text" value="37"/>	National level	<input type="text" value="-"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="-"/>

5.10 Scholarships and Financial Support

Support type	Number of students	Amount
Financial support from institution	57	11,65,726
Financial support from government	137	9,48,939
Financial support from other sources	-	-
Number of students who received International/ National recognitions	-	-

5.11 Student organised / initiatives

Fairs	: State/ University level	<input type="text" value="1"/>	National level	<input type="text" value="-"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="-"/>
Exhibition:	State/ University level	<input type="text" value="1"/>	National level	<input type="text" value="-"/>	International level	<input type="text" value="-"/>

5.12 No. of social initiatives undertaken by the students

5.13 Major grievances of students (if any) redressed: NIL

Criterion – VI

6. Governance, Leadership and Management

6.1 State the Vision and Mission of the institution

VISION

To offer academic programmes with cotemporary relevance and job – connect, with in-built modules for character and skill building.

MISSION

To strive ceaselessly

- To offer estimable value and need based education, with a view to create in students, the urge to be good citizens of the nation.
- To inculcate the spirit of compassion, kinship and commitment for national harmony.
- To progressively adopt ICT enabled Teaching – Learning methods
- To maintain a vibrant research culture.

6.2 Does the Institution has a Management Information System

No

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

6.3.1 Curriculum Development

- Introducing e-learning modules as added option for students.
- Upgradation of research departments to Centers of Excellence
- Concept of Schooling – School of Commerce

6.3.2 Teaching and Learning

- ICT enabled teaching - Presentations, Video Films, Demonstration of Models, Equipment & Processes, Virtual classes
- Experiential learning - Internship/Field Trips/Industrial visits Literature Search/Survey/Small Group Activities/Web Based Learning

6.3.3 Examination and Evaluation

- Transparency system
- Provision for re-totaling and reevaluation of the answer books
- Additional supplementary examination
- Special supplementary examination
- Results declared within 20 days of the last examination

6.3.4 Research and Development

- Laboratory facilities to cater to the needs of research activities.
- Central Research Laboratory Facility - creation of a central facility by (pooling of resources).
- Funds provided by PSG – STEP for Startups for innovative products

6.3.5 Library, ICT and Physical infrastructure / instrumentation

Library: Implemented **INFLIBNET's N-LIST** consortia membership since 2010; Library **EXTENSION BUILDING** of 24,000sq.ft has been constructed for utilization, from the year 2012-13; implemented RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) technology for library security purpose.

ICT: All the departments and offices are equipped with computers, printers, internet connectivity and LCD projectors.

Physical infrastructure: The new block for the School of Commerce and an indoor sports facility with the hostel annexe for sports persons are under construction.

Instrumentation: The departments purchase new instruments in the annual budget allocated by the management apart from the ones purchased from funded projects and UGC funds.

6.3.6 Human Resource Management

Faculty members are encouraged to attend summer / winter training programmes, orientation programmes and refresher courses.

6.3.7 Faculty and Staff recruitment

- Aided teaching & non-teaching staff are recruited in a transparent manner as per the Government norms/rules.
- Faculty members for self – financing programmes are recruited by the College Staff Recruitment Committee.

6.3.8 Industry Interaction / Collaboration

- Young Indians – CII, Coimbatore
- Coimbatore Cancer Foundation
- The Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) Ladies Organization Coimbatore Chapter
- Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB), Coimbatore
- TATA Consultancy Services Ltd, Chennai (Renewal)

6.3.9 Admission of Students

Admissions of students to the programmes are carried out as per the guidelines and norms of the Government. 6.4 Welfare schemes for

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Teaching & Non teaching	Road Safety insurance package up to one lakh rupees, 30% Concession for undergoing treatment at PSG Hospitals, Admissions for the children in PSG Schools and Colleges, Provident Fund, Festival Advance, Loans, Staff Welfare Association.
Students	Road Safety insurance package up to one lakh rupees, the free education scheme Supported by the Management (including tuition fees, boarding and lodging); Management support to the students representing sports under different categories include free education for aided students, 50% concession in college fee for students of self-financing stream, free hostel boarding and lodging for outstanding sports persons.

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	Committee constituted by the College	Yes	Principal
Administrative	Yes	TUV Rheinland	Yes	Principal/ Secretary

6.8 Does the University/ Autonomous College declare 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?

Additional Supplementary examinations in the final semester subjects for the failed candidates and the Special Supplementary Examinations for candidates who have failed in only one subject are conducted in June every year to facilitate the students, to go for higher studies immediately or to seek jobs early, if they pass the subjects.

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

Not Applicable

6.11 Activities and support from the Alumni Association

The following were the activities of the Alumni Association of the College during 2016 - 2017:

- Get-Together of B.sc Bio Chemistry 1988 – 1991 Batch; M.sc Physics 1977 – 1979 Batch; B.com Evening 1989 – 1992 Batch; B.sc Computer Science 1988-1991 Batch; B.sc Zoology 1984-1987;
- On 6th September 2016, a grand Teachers Day Celebration was organised by the Alumni Association.
- A Fund Raising Programme was organised by the alumni association on 11th September 2016

6.12 Activities and support from the Parent – Teacher Association

- The College does not have an established Parent – Teacher Association. However, the following are the points to be considered:
- The College office and the hostel office maintain a comprehensive parent database so as to contact them as and when required.
- A special orientation programme is conducted for the parents along with the newly admitted students on the first day of College.
- Under tutorial system the tutors are always in touch with the parents of their respective students.

6.13 Development programmes for support staff

- Yoga-Mental and Physical well being.
- Health Check up
- Diet Clinic Consultation

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

- Litter free Campus.
- The College has more than 1100 trees (76 species) comprising of teak, mahogany, neem, and thespesia. They are well maintained.
- More than 72 species of birds have been spotted in the campus and among them 58 species reside and 18 of them breed inside the campus, 15 species are migratory (including Golden oriole from Himalayas)
- The College has installed solar cells on top of the buildings ensuring an efficient conversion of solar energy to electricity. The institute is able to generate 33% of the electricity that is currently being utilized (200 KW covering a roof top of 20,000 sq ft.)
- An effluent treatment plant has been setup, to ensure that the wastes generated in the whole college campus is treated and is not discharged into the natural water systems (Treated water – 1.5 MLD), the treated waste water is used in watering the garden and to maintain a green environment wood, food, paper, organic wastes.
- Solid waste management is effectively carried out and used as manure for garden. A composting pit and vermi-compost pit are in operation to generate organic manure.
- The campus is plastic free.
- A solar hot water system (65°C – 1, 50,000 LPD – worth 2.6 crores) supplies hot water to the college and hostel.
- Six pits for rain water harvesting (54 acres - 200 MLD) taken care of plant of the water needs of the College.

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.

Compulsory Yoga classes for students

Inter active sessions for the staff members with respect to sending proposals to funding agencies.

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

- Faculty members asked to attend FDPs and workshops related to the Research Based Learning.
- Several theme based lectures were organised to prepare the faculty members for the upcoming syllabus revision.
- A draft proposal for Quality based workshop has been prepared
- Performance appraisal for the faculty members was conducted.

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

BEST PRACTICE – 1

1. Title of the Best Practice

Yoga Forum – for the students and faculty members of PSGCAS

2. Goal

- To build a healthy body, mind and soul among the young students as well as faculty members.
- To build a strong foundation among the young minds for a superior spiritual prospect.

3. The Context

The Yoga forum was initiated in the College 25 years back and is revived with additional component suitable for the present day students. The science of yoga has emerged as a symbol of the Indian sub continent and our comprehensive tradition. The benefits of yoga and its daily practice are immeasurable. In this modern world and gadget filled life style, it has become difficult for the young minds to administer their anxiety and regulate their emotions. By integrating a habitual yoga practice in the day-to-day activities, the students can achieve the overall well-being (body, mind & soul). Such a student will not only be the asset to the College but also to the entire nation. This forum will enhance character building among students which in turn will culminate in the Nation building activities. Further, the precious treasure of yogic practice will be passed on to the next generation also.

4. The Practice

- a. Imparting Yoga asana practice on a regular basis to the students and faculty members by a trained Guru.
- b. Practical and lecture sessions on Yoga by special invitees from time to time.
- c. Yoga training as an indispensable component of the curriculum.

During the academic year, following are some of the noteworthy events organised by the PSGCAS Yoga Forum:

- i. To mark the **Silver Jubilee Year of Yoga Forum**, an **MoU** was signed with **World Community Service Centre (WCSC), Aliyar** to conduct an array of Yoga related activities on the Campus.
- ii. **National Level Yoga Conclave-2016 on Relevance of Yoga in Contemporary Lifestyle** - Prof. Dr A Ganapathi, Vice-Chancellor, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, delivered the Inaugural Address. Keynote Address was given by **Dr. Arun Madhavan**, Founder Trustee & Chairman, VVKI The Art of Living, Former Director – Standard Chartered Bank . Other speakers included, A/N R Pachiappan, President & Director

(R&D), WCSC--Coimbatore Zone and A/N P Haridass, Secretary & Joint Director (Extn), WCSC-Coimbatore Zone. Practical yoga Sessions were conducted by celebrity and a special Yoga Practice Demonstration programme was also organised for the participants. The event was marked with competitions on Poster Presentation and Essay Writing (English & Tamil). Prizes were distributed for the winners.

- iii. **Three days training program** for the faculty members of PSGCAS was organised between **12.07.2016 and 14.07.2016**. Simple exercises, asana and mind relaxation techniques were taught by Yoga instructors from The World Community Service Centre (WCSC), Coimbatore Zone.
 - iv. In association with **WCSC, Coimbatore Zone** the Forum is conducting M.A (Yoga in Human Excellence) - Distance Program, affiliated to Bharathiar University and PSG CAS is the Study Centre for the Program. PG students, Research Scholars, Teaching Faculty members, Non Teaching staff members who have completed UG Course in any discipline can register in the program.
 - v. **Diploma in Youth Empowerment** (*included as Part IV component in the PSGCAS Curriculum*) is also conducted for interested UG and PG students, Research Scholars, Teaching Faculty members and Non Teaching staff members.
 - vi. In association with WCSC, Coimbatore Zone the Forum organized a **NET/SET Orientation Program** during last week (24.12.2016 – 30.12.2016) of December 2016 for the Students and Scholars of MA (YHE- Yoga for Human Excellence) in the PSGCAS campus. This is the only and unique programme of this kind to be conducted in the whole of the Country.
 - vii. A separate place '**Yoga Hall**' has been ear marked in the Campus, for conducting regular practice sessions on Physical Exercise, Asana and Meditation.
 - viii. **Certificate Course in Yoga** is being conducted for all the first year Under Graduate Students
5. Problems encountered and resources required
Not applicable
 6. Notes (Optional)
The response from the teachers and the students to this exercise has been overwhelming.



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BEST PRACTICE -2

1. Title of the Best Practice

Life Sciences Research Forum – for M.Phil and Ph.D. Research Scholars of Biological Sciences stream.

2. Goal

- To bring together the Life Science research scholars so as to share their research problems & progress on a common platform
- To organise need based programmes to facilitate the research progress in their specific field.
- To increase the scientific temperament of the Life Science research scholars

3. The Context

The Forum was initiated in the month of January, 2017. There is always an imperative for the research scholars to meet from time to time in order to bridge their research gaps and reinforce their commitment towards research. Keeping this in mind the Forum was initiated to provide hand holding activities with respect to steer them into research design, publications and preparation for CSIR exams and the like. The research supervisors of a total of six Life Sciences Departments of the College viz.,



Microbiology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Nutrition and Dietetics, Botany and Zoology form the integral part of the Forum in addition to some being the forum members. Representative scholars are also the part of the constitution of forum members.

4. The Practice

- d. Fortnightly meeting of the research scholars at the designated venue
- e. Fortnightly lecture programmes by the faculty members on the need based topics.
- f. Invited lectures.

5. Problems encountered and resources required
Not applicable

6. Notes (Optional)

The response from the Research Supervisors and the Research Scholars to this exercise has been found as very good.

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