7.3 Institutional Distinctiveness

Details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust

Arts, Commerce and Science College, Maregaon is a premier college of excellence, engaged in knowledge building for inclusive social development and molding globally competent and socially sensitive professionals towards social transformation and enlighten students of tribal area and to contribute their services for universal development by promoting education. The college outreaches to the widest range of students from backward as well as tribal area. Giving appropriate emphasis on curricular and co-curricular activities, college attempts to develop rounded personalities through teaching. The college is committed to empowering students to think independently, to understand the complexities and challenges of today's life and transform them into opportunities. Upholding the noble traditions lay down by the founders, the college surges ahead towards excellence.

Most of the students of our college are from rural and tribal areas. They are from economically weaker section of the society. The college takes care of their educations and provides excellent educational facility to them. The vision and mission of the college is in tune with the education policies of the nation. Teachers are keen to give their best to explore the quality and capabilities of the students for the sake of generating a continuous stream of efficient human resources which can combat the socio economic backwardness and ensure sustainable development for the region. The administrative staff offers their full cooperation in this respect.

A preliminary survey made in the library has indicated that the reading habits of the students is coming down and realize that education is becoming more text-book based and examination-oriented. Therefore the college has taken initiative to increase the rich learning resource and reading materials in the library and various activities are initiated to attract students towards library through "ACS DNYNGANGA" started on 01 July, 2018.

In the beginning of academic session class-wise library orientation programme is organized and the chief librarian gives information related to the library services, facilities, timings, discipline, rules and regulations under **ACS DNYANGANGA**. Thus the college has developed reading habit of the students and encouraged them to prepare their own notes and study materials for competitive examinations.

Some of the special initiatives taken under ACS DNYNGANGA are:

• Each student is encouraged to go to library regularly in their free time

- Best library user of the month recognition
- Try to increase average library usage of students
- Student honor with Best library user of the year award
- Graph of the class-wise monthly average use of library is displayed
- Civil Service study materials are provided
- Provided additional book on request
- Necessary infrastructure, furniture, reading materials are increased considerably
- The college library hour is extended
- Overall impression created in the college is that going to library is a duty and pride

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