

## **PREFACE**

**Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Arts &Commerce (Evening) College**, Nagpur has been established in 1984 to cater to the needs of the poor, economically backward and working class students to impart knowledge through education in basic Arts and commerce stream. The college is affiliated to RTM Nagpur University and is registered under Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Memorial Education Society, Nagpur, established under Public Trust Act and Societies Registration Act 1973.

The college upholds the ideals of its founder president Late M.D. Mundafale to empower students through knowledge and promote education to those working at day time in different sectors and also to those who thrive to perceive higher education after working for day long hours in various organizations.

The cause is noble and the institution is moving forward towards achieving its goal and therefore it has acquired a C+ grade by NAAC peer team visit in 2005. We are indebted to the peer team of NAAC for appreciating our efforts in giving education to the poor and needy, especially in the evening. Most of the students graduated from our institution has brought laurels to the college. They are now employed in various public/private/teaching sectors. This is the greatest assert to the institution and we are proud of creating excellent results by teaching in minimum of resources and giving the best to the students.

## **Summary**

Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Arts/Commerce(Evening) College, established in 1984 aims to offer education in main stream of Arts and Commerce to the students who are poor, economically backward and especially those who are working in different sectors during daytime.

The courses we offer in our college are BA, B.Com and M.Com affiliated to RTM Nagpur University, Nagpur. The college attempts to impart education with minimum of resources to the needy making them self reliant. We also create awareness of value system, culture awareness of human rights through teaching-learning and extension activities.

The college also work for overall development of students through various committees of the college like---Socio-cultural activities committee, student welfare committee, discipline committee, research committee etc. The college fulfills the objectives of upliftment of the poor students through various activities and education.

Academic and Co-curricular activities can be seen in the light of the following extension:-

**Criterion1 : Curricular Aspects**

The college offers U.G. Program in Arts and U.G. and P.G. programs in the faculty of commerce. The college provides ample opportunities to the poor, needy and economically backward students by offering scholarship and waiving of the fees to those who are unable to pay. Through regular teaching we aim to develop their skills and practical knowledge. The faculty members are highly qualified and all PHD holders. They are updated with the latest teaching, learning methods and are themselves updated with knowledge through orientation/refresher courses. The participation in seminars and conferences keep them updated. The academic calendar of the college has detailed program of the lessons to be taught. The syllabus is completed within one academic year and later extra classes are also taken to solve their difficulties. The college also provides access to use of the internet to the students. The library is also rich in books which are available to the students.

### **Criterion 2: Teaching learning and Evaluation**

For the purpose of providing education, the students are given proper direction through the prospectus which give the details about the faculty, the courses, teaching faculty, fees etc. The college offers scholarship to the students belonging to SC/ST/NT categories. We also offer EBC for economically backward classes abiding by the rules of government.

The teaching faculty of the college participates in Orientation/Refresher courses/workshops/Seminars/conferences etc. The teaching faculty also do Valuation/Moderation/Paper setting work of the RTM Nagpur University. Most of the teachers are on the authoritative bodies of the university, including members of the respective board, chairman, Senate member, Academic council members etc. Most of them also are also invited as resource persons, chairpersons, and chief guest to various seminars/conferences.

The college library provides books to the students and also gives access to the internet. The percentage of passing the examination is quite satisfactory and many students score good percentage and are also included in merit list of the university in spite of the fact that the college is a Night College. Various programmes, through various committees of the college are undertaken to develop all round personality of the students. Student-Teacher relationship is maintained properly through teaching, learning and interaction.

### **Criterion 3: Research, Consultancy and Extension**

Research/Consultancy:

The college extends all possible support to pursue research activities in the institution. Teachers are motivated to peruse their research and grow academically by publication of research articles and papers. Almost all the staff members are M.Phil/NET/SET and PHD. Some of them are supervisors and guided 8-10 students for their PHD. Some of them have published books and anthologies. Anthologies in English by one of the faculty member has been included in libraries of Australia, Chicago, Columbia, London, UK, Franklin etc.

Extension : The college creates awareness about social responsibility and imparts awareness about their rights and duties. The Students/Staff participate in activities like **1)** Distributing water and cold drinks to persons who participate in Ram Navmi Yatra. **2)** Distributing books to the poor students. **3)** Participating in Nirmalaya Programme during Ganesh festival.

### **Criterion 4: Infrastructure & learning resources**

The college has rented a building, located in the central area of Nagpur to have access to students even during night hours. As the college functions on salary grant there are no funds given by UGC. The college also does not come under the criteria of 2F/12B.

In spite of the above fact the college provides all necessary learning resources to the students, including access Library and Internet.

**Criterion 5: Student support and Progression.**

The official website [www.panjabraonightcollege.org](http://www.panjabraonightcollege.org) provides relevant information to the students and parents. Welfare schemes for students include scholarship, free ship, EBC and assistance to needy.

The college has various committees like student guidance, discipline, grievance, women redressed cell and students alumni to help the students. The system of examination undertaken annually help in student's progression. Socio-cultural activities committee helps students to develop their personality.

**Criterion 6: Governance, leadership and management**

The principal is the highest governing, authoritative body of the college. He plays the leading role in the governance and management of the institution, ensuring transparency in the functioning of the college. The college has an efficient co-ordinating system under the leadership of the Principal for designing and implementing plans through various committees and teaching and non-teaching staff and students.

The college examination is also held to help students perform well in the final examination.

Salary Grant, Income –Tax etc. is supervised under the able guidance of the principal. There are no funds given by U.G.C. except the salary grant, but the college is maintained well under good governance and leadership of the principal.

**Criterion7: Innovations and best practices.**

The students, teachers, non-teaching staff and well-wishers of the college, headed by the principal share their best efforts towards realizing the vision of the founder president of the college, Shri. Late M. D. Mundafale.

The students are guided through the students guidance committee. Problems are sorted out through women-Redressel cell. The poor students are helped financially by the staff by giving fees, giving notes, books to the students. This is the Best practice adopted by the teachers to fulfill the ideals of Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh.