

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL

GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE, LALGARH

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7.1.4.1 Describe the Institutional efforts/initiatives in providing an inclusive environment i.e., tolerance and harmony towards cultural, regional, linguistic, communal socioeconomic diversity:

Response:

Government General Degree College, Lalgarh is a comparatively new higher education institution working for higher goals and values for the rural students of this part of the globe. It provides an equitable, rational, fair and encouraging environment for students to grow up. Friendliness exists among students belonging to different socio-economic and cultural strata of society. The college administration and teaching staff make it a point to motivate students to imbibe the tenets of inclusive growth by mentoring all along their journey for holistic progress with a core value guiding their lives. Analyzing the students' profiles, it is clear that they come from differently placed sections, mostly from the lower strata of society.

We have achieved great success in promoting and developing the Santali language and culture, infusing every aspect of campus life with its essence. In present scenario, the institution offers several B.A. Courses entirely in Santali language to support the linguistic and cultural identity of its indigenous population. Each poster, notice and directives is meticulously crafted in English, Bengali and Santali, facilitating seamless communication across the spectrum of our student. At all occasions for the tribal community, the institution not only provides space, it also encourages them to celebrate their cultural diversity at all levels to foster an equitable environment characterized by mutual respect and compassionate understanding.

There are economic, social, religious and gender-based differences among them and these diversities are cherished by college teachers as a human laboratory for tinkering with their unified perception of life. The teachers are committed to imparting education to students without any impartiality. The students might differ on issues but those do not reflect their socio-cultural differences, but rather strengthens their logical arguments.

The college administration is extra vigilant to provide a safe and secure environment to girl students and their numbers are increasing day by day. The IQAC, ICC Cell, the Anti-Sexual Harassment Cell, NSS units are working hard in organizing awareness programmes about different feminine issues. The gender-based issues are also taught as part of the college curriculum in Sociology, Philosophy and in other subjects to make students aware of the need for equitable social conditions.

The college administration takes welfare measures to provide fair academic conditions to all students. A good percentage of seats are reserved for students coming from socio-economically modest sections of society as per extant Government rules to provide equal opportunities to all. The institution also provides numerous scholarships from both State and Central Government schemes to needy students. Teachers of this College in the form of a Scholarship committee help the students in the application process as well as during follow ups of these scholarship projects to enable them

to "Earn While You Learn".

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