

7.3 Institutional Distinctiveness

Provide the details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust
Provide the weblink of the institution in not more than 500 words.

Library Initiatives

Goal:

- To encourage good reading habits among the students.
- To not only benefit the students academically, but also to enhance the skills required for success in building future careers.
- To serve as an incentive for the academically advanced learners.
- To encourage and motivate the disadvantaged students by giving them the opportunity to promote stronger analytical thinking.
- Through proper reading, to promote and encourage systematic research.

Context:

- Reading is a vital life skill. It helps to develop the mind, discover new things and to build the students' imagination and creativity.

Practice:

- The college library has undertaken an initiative to give students who have scored 60% and above marks in their previous examination an additional library card. i.e. **SCHOLAR CARD**.
- The Library also gives an additional Library card to students belonging to SC/ST/OBC/ minority class i.e. **SOCIAL CARD**.
- A Book Bank facility is available exclusively for economically challenged students.
- The Library offers Certificate Programme of 2 Credit for the students free of cost for the College Students to learn multi-disciplinary subjects. The students who wish to complete the course will have to spend minimum 30 hours of work during free lecture or any time during the academic year under the guidance of College Librarian. The students will be given basic training in the field of Library and Information Science.
- Compilations of library (these are one of a kind compilations)
 1. Compilation of Research Articles on "Goa's Opinion Poll";
 2. Documentation on "Gopakapattana";
 3. Documentation on "Tiatr".
- The Library has a newsletter, "Full Circle".
- Consultation Services provided to Goa University.
- Best Library user award is given.

Evidence of Success:

- 95 students have availed of the Scholar Card scheme for the academic year 2018-2019.
- 40 students have availed of the Social card scheme for the academic year 2018-2019.
- 6 students have availed of the book bank facility.
- 15 students have enrolled for the Certificate programme.
- Interest of researchers and others on perusing the compilations for their reference and study.