



# **Government Arts College(Autonomous), Kumbakonam.**

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## **IQAC - External Peer Team Report for the year 2019 – 2020**

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Date of Peer Team visit : 03.04.2021

Documents Audited : 1. AQAR 2019-2020  
2. Department External Academic Audit  
3. Minutes and Proceedings of the Academic Council  
on 06.03.2021  
4. College calendar  
5. Library

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**Observations on the key indicators:**

Criteria	Key Indicators	Observations
<p><b>1. Curricular Aspects</b></p>	<p>Curriculum Design and Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Curriculum design has been planned and updated according to the requirement of employability.</li> <li>• Syllabus was recently revised in 2020</li> <li>• CBCS is adopted uniformly in all UG and PG programmes.</li> <li>• Skill oriented, employability and entrepreneurship courses are introduced.</li> <li>• Value added courses have been introduced.</li> <li>• 30% of syllabus is newly introduced in every BOS meeting.</li> <li>• An Alumna is included as one of the members of BOS to incorporate the suggestions.</li> <li>• Feedbacks are obtained from Students, Teachers, Alumni and Parents and are duly acknowledged.</li> </ul>
	<p>Academic Flexibility</p>	
	<p>Curriculum Enrichment</p>	
	<p>Feedback System</p>	
<p><b>2. Teaching-Learning and Evaluation</b></p>	<p>Student Enrolment and Profile</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students' enrolment is made as per government guidelines strictly.</li> <li>• Admission is conducted through counselling so that students can select their own choice of degree course in UG.</li> <li>• The traditional method of chalk and talk and innovative ICT enabled teaching methods are also followed.</li> <li>• Results are published in every semester within 30 days after the last day of examination.</li> <li>• Most of the faculty members are Ph.D. holders so that they are engaging themselves in research work also.</li> <li>• Student satisfaction survey is conducted in every academic year.</li> <li>• Mentor and Mentee system is effectively followed.</li> <li>• Staff-Students ratio is 1:20 as per UGC guidelines.</li> </ul>
	<p>Catering to Student Diversity</p>	
	<p>Teaching-Learning Process</p>	
	<p>Teacher Profile and Quality</p>	


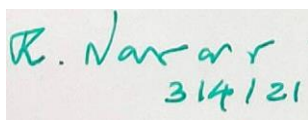
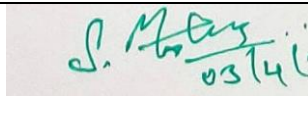
	Evaluation Process and Reforms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Computer Literacy Programme is made compulsory for all first UG students.</li> <li>• Soft skills development programme is introduced for all final year UG students.</li> <li>• Language enhancement programme is imparted through language laboratory.</li> </ul>
	Student Performance and Learning Outcomes	
	Student satisfaction Survey	
<b>3. Research, Innovations and Extension</b>	Promotion of Research and Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• College is equipped with necessary infrastructure facilities to promote research activities.</li> <li>• Students are getting research project from TANSCHÉ every academic year .</li> <li>• A common digital library is available</li> <li>• Research papers were published in Scopus, Web of Science and UGC care list journals</li> <li>• All UG students are involved in any one of the extension activities like NSS,NCC, etc.,</li> <li>• Medicinal plants are planted inside the campus associated with NCC, NSS, YRC and Eco Club.</li> <li>• College is maintaining fish forming, rain harvesting and green cover campus.</li> <li>• MoU was signed with SSM fish forming , Swamimalai for promoting aquaculture in which by and large 60 students are benefited every year.</li> <li>• ONGC gave a grant of Rs. 8.69 lakhs for upgradation of lab facilities.</li> <li>• Research consultancy with funding agencies has to be planned in future.</li> </ul>
	Resource Mobilization for Research	
	Innovation Ecosystem	
	Research Publications and Awards	
	Consultancy	
	Extension Activities	
	Collaboration	
<b>4. Infrastructure and Learning Resources</b>	Physical Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Library with internet facility has 74882 books.</li> <li>• Well equipped laboratories are available.</li> <li>• Every department has computers</li> </ul>
	Library as a Learning Resource	

	IT Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>printers.</li> <li>Well spaced class rooms are available.</li> <li>Sports facility is available.</li> <li>Campus is periodically maintained by PWD.</li> </ul>
	Maintenance of Campus Infrastructure	
<b>5. Student Support and Progression</b>	Student Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tutorial ward system is followed</li> <li>RYLA programme has been conducted every year.</li> <li>Students are supported with endowment for proficiency.</li> <li>Registered Alumni association is functioning with 1171 members for welfare of the institution.</li> <li>Students involved in various extension activities like NCC, NSS, YRC, Fine Arts and Performing Arts, Eco club, Rotaract, RRC, Leo club and SSL.</li> <li>A representative of students actively participates in sports council and students cooperative store.</li> </ul>
	Student Progression	
	Student Participation and Activities	
	Alumni Engagement	
<b>6. Governance, Leadership and Management</b>	Institutional Vision and Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Institutional vision is highly focused for empowerment of students from rural background and for producing disciplined, socially committed graduates by quality education.</li> <li>Faculty members are encouraged to participate in various seminars, conferences and workshops.</li> <li>Funds are received from state government, UGC and RUSA for promoting quality education.</li> <li>IQAC is functioning for promoting quality education and research.</li> </ul>
	Strategy Development and Deployment	
	Faculty Empowerment Strategies	
	Financial Management and Resource Mobilization	
	Internal Quality Assurance System	

<b>7. Institutional Values and Best Practices</b>	Institutional Values and Social Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is one of the oldest institutions in Tamilnadu and it has produced more illustrious alumni like the Mathematical wizard Srinivasa Ramanujan, Silver tongue orator Srinivasa Sastry and Tamil Thatha U.Ve. Swaminatha Iyer.</li> <li>• Subjects like Value Education, Environment Education and Gender Studies are included in syllabi.</li> </ul>
	Best Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Situated in the banks of river Cauvery with a nick name “ Cambridge of South India”</li> <li>• 2 acres of pond is available in the entrance of the north gate of the college and the ambience is very nice</li> <li>• It has 166 years old heritage buildings and their renovation process is going on</li> <li>• Content Language Integrated Learning Programme is introduced to all undergraduate students through Department of English.</li> </ul>
	Institutional Distinctiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily and weekly magazines are subscribed for the students’ enrichment of knowledge.</li> <li>• Special coaching classes are conducted for post graduate students to qualify NET and SET.</li> <li>• Six villages are adopted by six NSS units.</li> <li>• Proficiency students get endowment cash award during the Annual day.</li> <li>• Hands on training is provided to the students belonging to botany and zoology</li> <li>• National science and mathematics day are observed for every year.</li> </ul>

## Suggestions:

- Induction programme may be offered for newly admitted students.
- More attention may be focused to the students hailed from poor economic background.
- ICT class rooms may be enabled more in numbers.
- The faculty members may be encouraged to get minor and major projects.
- MOU may be signed with institutions and industries to promote quality education.
- Bridge courses may be offered for the students from the rural background.
- The tutors/mentors may be oriented for the identification of slow learners
- Infrastructure facilities may be improved for the placement activities
- More value added courses may be included in curriculum.

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