

Institutional Distinctiveness

An educated man can shape only his own future, but an educated woman can shape the future of a whole family and thus change the destiny of the nation. With this aim, Smt. Radhadevi Goenka College for Women, Akola was founded in 1965, with the inspiration of Mahatma Gandhi, by Late Mataji alias Smt. Radhadeviji Goenka, a renowned social worker and freedom fighter. It is the one of the Women College in the Western Vidarbha Region with vision 'Empowerment of women through Economic Independence for Betterment of Society' and "Our Mission is to impart holistic education, in order to transform the girls into empowered, Self-Earning & efficient; Individuals, Family members and citizens."

The college was started with the Arts Faculty, Home Science was introduced in 1978 and Commerce faculty was added in 1983. Today we are having 3000+ students admitted in the college with BBA, BCA and 11 Post Graduate Courses.

We also run career oriented courses like Fashion Designing, Communication skill in English, Banking and Insurance for economic empowerment of women. RDG Academy of Performing Arts enriches the students with Western and Kathak dance, Classical music and Aerobics and Self defence Course design for physical empowerment of students. RDG competitive learning centre, Placement Activities and Remedial coaching are making the students employable or self employable in competitive era to achieve the goal of institution.

We also aim to empower our students intellectually, spiritually, mentally and physically through various extra and co-curricular activities and schemes like 'MAI', 'Joy of Giving', 'Earn While You Learn', 'Save the Girl-Child', 'Save Environment', and 'Save Water' etc. Our college magazine 'Surabhi' and the Wall Magazine provide students a platform to hone their writing skills. Through N.S.S., students reach the rural area and become acquainted with rural problems which they try to resolve thereby reducing the gap between the rural and the urban, the educated and the illiterate, as well as the rich and the poor. N.C.C. training makes our students confident, smart and upright.

Institution provides a good infrastructure with safe, hygienic and well maintained women's hostel, Hygienic cafeteria facility, aesthetic environment and focus on computer literacy with all ICT facilities like LCD Projector, Computer, Laptops, and Internet to the students in teaching and learning process. Besides these, innovative methodologies are used by teachers in the dissemination of information. Apart from these facilities, the college has green premises and one of the biggest play ground in Akola. Library provides furnished reading room and open access to students and staff.

MAI – a drive of economic empowerment – by Dilipraj Goenka, President BSS, focuses on the financial literacy and self reliance among students. Student of the Year, RDG Singing Star, RDG Idol, RDG Dancing Star, *Prerna* Award are various award for the students to motivate and encourage them to develop life skills.

Theme based Gathering, Diwali *Sneh Milan*, Writers' Bank, Financial assistance to needy students, Self governance Program with 34 Academic awards are the significant features of the college.

The institution run with KAIZEN work culture and follow 'Ask and See Policy' and strive for the quality education at affordable cost emphasizing Economic Independence of women and creating a responsible citizen for the nation.