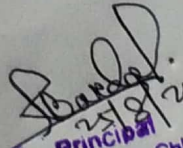


### 7.3 – Institutional Distinctiveness

7.3.1 – Provide the details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust in not more than 500 words. The College has provided tremendous thrust and priority to its Program of Diversity Inclusion and Integration – an area distinctive to the Vision of the College. The Vision of the College is to educate, enable and empower young women, including foreign women students from different countries that form a significant section of the student community in the College. The College emphasizes the need to mainstream the marginalized and weaker sections of students to ensure justice and equity in society. The Mission is to steer the education it offers not only towards the pragmatic goal of employability, but also to build a life of the mind and sensitize and orient its students to the service of the community. Under its Diversity Inclusion and Integration Program, the College during Covid-19 pandemic in 2019-2020, provided a vital support structure to conduct Online Teaching-Learning for PwD students. The College is in possession of Audio Repository Application for the use of Visually Impaired (VI) students under the College's Internal Research Program. Called 'Lecture Hall', it is an online Audio Repository for VI students. The main purpose of the application is to make the audio recordings of lectures available to the VI students for their reference. As a part of its Institutional Social Responsibility and Outreach Program, the College provided access to its Audio Repository Application to visually-impaired students across colleges of the University of Delhi. The College is 100 barrier free and has 'Under One Roof' Enabling Unit and Equal Opportunity Cell. It follows a proactive financial aid policy and 'Need Blind Admission Policy', organizes courses in English and ICT skills for Economically Weaker Sections, and skill training courses for Persons with Disability. Pursuing its vision of Diversity Inclusion and Integration in the year 2019-2020, the College provided financial assistance to 326 students with partial waiver of fees including Hostel fee waivers and 9 students with full fee waiver. This assistance was in addition to the support received by reserved category students from state and other agencies. The College also facilitated 118 students to obtain financial aid from other agencies, trusts and NGOS. The College has a financially sustainable Need-Blind admission policy that enables all students to enroll for its courses at the time of admission itself. It continues to support students with Registration Fees to make their academic presentations in professionally recognized conferences abroad and within the country. The Equal Opportunity Cell (EOC), along with the Enabling Unit of the College, and Help the Blind Foundation supported 46 students. The All India Confederation of the Blind supported 4 students. The College received Rs. 6,61,000/- from the combined sponsorship of Help the Blind Foundation and All India Confederation of the Blind, making it possible for every visually-impaired student of the College to be covered by a scholarship. The Braille Atlas is available in the College Library for the use of visually-impaired students, and so is the encyclopedia of Indian Sign Language. Under the Assistance Program for visually-impaired students, movies were screened at Siri Fort Auditorium, New Delhi. The EOC of the College along with NSS organized an Electoral Verification Program for the visually-impaired students. The workshop on Career and Job Opportunities was organized jointly with Arise Impact. Under its Diversity Inclusion and Integration Program, the College is committed to supporting extraordinary individual initiatives to enable young, enthusiastic women to realize their dreams and aspirations.

  
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