

7.3.1 – Institutional Distinctiveness

7.3.1 – Portray the performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its priority and thrust within 1000 words.

The founding principle of The Bhawanipur Education Society College – *Vidyaamritamshnutey*, recognizes the potential of education in transforming lives.

Each year, at the beginning of the academic session, a Student Induction Programme known as the **Orientation Programme**, is organized for the students by the institution. This Orientation Programme serves as an initiation of the students into the system of higher education where they are introduced with the College, the Course structures and the faculty. The students are introduced to the new environment and provided with adequate exposure to the larger context through exploration of the various programmes offered by the different Departments in order to enable them to realize their actual potentials.

Orientation Programme, as part of higher education, has also been suggested in the *Deeksharambh* initiative prepared by the UGC in 2019. With the priority of the College embedded in **the students - their well-being and overall development**, The Bhawanipur Education Society College has been conducting this practice of the Orientation Programme as a part of the academic tradition of the College since more than a decade.

The **motto** of the College is **Education for Excellence** which entails both academic proficiency and acquiring of practical life skills, thereby focusing upon the overall development of the students.

In the spirit of this motto the different departments of the College endeavour to go beyond the curriculum and expose students to courses and workshops which familiarise them with the demands of the professional world.

The College ensures holistic education and development of the students through the following measures:

- The College follows a **mentoring programme** where the total number of students is divided amongst the teachers in each Department so as to ascertain personal attention for each student enrolled in a Course. This ensures that the students get complete attention and are adequately nurtured so that they can attain their true potentials.
- Apart from the syllabi, **Course Outcomes** and **Programme Specific Outcomes** are made available to the students so that they may comprehend the larger purpose of the Course that they enroll for and understand the structural components of the same.

- Well-known experts from various fields are invited regularly to interact with the students and **introduce them to the possible academic and professional openings** after completion of graduation.
- Advanced learners and weak students are identified and separate exercises such as **flipped classrooms and remedial classes** are conducted as part of regular teaching-learning process to facilitate academic growth for all the sections of students alike.
- Seminars are held regularly on emerging fields like artificial intelligence, intellectual property rights, digital accounting etc to **keep students abreast of the latest developments** thereby ensuring that they remain in the front rank of their peers when they leave the college.
- Additionally, **training is also given in soft skills** in order to enhance their communicative and interpersonal skills.
- In this connection **the issue of the mental well-being of the students is addressed** by providing them with the support of trained counsellors from Umeed Counselling and Consulting Services who also hold workshops which address a larger number of students as well as teachers. Biweekly counselling services by professional counsellors are made available to the students free of cost. Strict confidentiality is maintained for these sessions.
- The College emphasizes **experiential learning**. The College has links with prospective employers from its very inception and encourages the spirit of entrepreneurship which had inspired its founders.
- The **extracurricular skills of the students** are encouraged and brought to light by forming various Collectives which showcase the talents of the students. These students represent the College at various competitions at the intra- and inter-College levels and in the process acquire training and confidence.
- The scale on which **college festivals** like Umang, Nexus, Communique etc are organized initiates the students into essentials of growing up, such as organizational coordination, team work and administrative abilities.
- The students who are **members of the Collectives** constituted for organizing these events acquire valuable experience in all these aspects of event management.
- Apart from these, **discipline specific initiatives** like Assembly of Nations, Model United Nations, The Bhawanipur Beacon, The Heritage Society and various Entrepreneurship Carnivals are also efforts to expose the students to practical realities.
- The **library internship programme** is a novel initiative introduced by the College which combines practical experience with encouragement of library usage. Awards are also given to the best library users to inculcate reading habit amongst the students.
- **Faculty Exchange Programmes** with other colleges with which a **MoU** has been signed have been arranged very successfully, exposing the students of the college to experts from other institutions.
- Despite the large number of students enrolled the **college also organizes field trips, excursions, and picnics** from time to time.

- Adequate exposure is arranged for the students through **industry visits, internships** and other such forms of learning.
- Various **social outreach programmes** are organized by the College on a continuous basis so as to sensitize the students and make them aware of their social responsibilities as educated citizens of India. During COVID 19, the College organized continuous vaccination campaigns as part of institutional social commitment and encouraged the students to actively participate in outreach programmes to assist the socially underprivileged. The NCC cadets of the College donated blood and plasma, and arranged for hospitalization, oxygen and injections as the second wave of COVID reached its peak, resulting in an unprecedented medical crisis. In this manner, the College ensures that the students become aware of their social duties and responsibilities.

Just as the Orientation Programme is organized for the students at the beginning of each session, the College holds a **Convocation Ceremony** each year to recognize the outgoing batches and their academic performance. A distinguished guest is invited to the Ceremony to share with the students their experiences and insights. This day marks the completion of the academic journey of the students at the College and is cherished by them as they step out into the world to make their mark as graduates from The Bhawanipur Education Society College.

Relevant links:

- Orientation Programme – <https://www.thebges.edu.in/orientation-programme/>
- Mentoring Programme –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/iqac-organized-workshop-on-mentoring-techniques/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/faculty-mentoring-workshop/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/mentoring-counselling-skills-certification-training-75-hour-certification-course-by-umneed/>
- Special lectures –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/report-of-the-three-day-online-workshop-on-ms-excel-and-its-application-in-economics/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/subsistence-of-the-others/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/250th-birth-anniversary-of-raja-rammohan-roy/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/fortnightly-lecture-series-organized-by-the-department-of-english/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/special-lecture-on-michael-palin/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/intimate-history-of-intimacy/>
- Seminars –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/re-thinkingromanticism-a-seminar-series-2019-2020/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/one-day-national-seminar-in-collaboration-with-icai/>

- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/seminar-on-data-analytics/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/hhi-cat-seminar/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/math-seminar/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/international-seminar-on-partition-memory-and-texts/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/career-counselling-seminar/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/kaleidoscope-2020-seminar-on-economics-india-the-way-forward/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/students-seminar-and-poster-making-competition/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/students-seminar-on-implementation-of-national-education-policy-2020-to-transform-higher-education-in-india/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/students-seminar/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/seminar-on-taxation-and-economy-of-india-the-way-forward/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/international-seminar-on-therapeutic-promise-of-phytochemicals-against-covid-19-a-computational-drug-designing-approach/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/seminar-on-union-budget-2023-24/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/the-It-edutech-seminar/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/seminar-on-chat-gpt-ai-apps/>
- Counselling services for students - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/student-dashboard/counselling-sessions/>
- College festivals –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/t2-coverage-of-umang-2022/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/tt-edugraph-online-coverage-of-the-the-inter-college-business-fest-nexus-2022-held-at-the-bhawanipur-education-society-college-on-the-23rd-24th-august-2022/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/communique-2/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/the-telegraph-edugraph-coverage-of-the-inter-college-theatre-festival-held-on-the-campus/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/effervescence-fest/>
- Discipline specific initiatives –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/mun-workshop-2/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/mun-360/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/assembly-of-nations-induction/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/the-bhawanipur-beacon-november-2019/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/when-the-east-meets-the-west-stories-of-history-and-heritage-from-india-and-london/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/discussions-and-book-launch-on-mosiaks-of-a-locale/>
- Field trips –

- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/report-on-field-trip-to-netaji-bhawan/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/departamental-field-trip-to-the-jorsanko-thakur-bari-and-the-indian-museum/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/field-trip-by-department-of-sociology/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/a-one-day-heritage-exploring-field-trip-around-kolkata-the-city-of-joy/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/trip-to-agra/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/visit-to-a-photography-exhibition/>
- <https://www.thebges.edu.in/bonfire/>
- Industry visit –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/industrial-visit-to-synchro-electronics/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/visit-to-holiday-inn-hotel/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/visit-to-the-bengal-global-trade-expo-2023/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/industrial-visit-to-coca-cola/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/industry-visit-to-thacker-dairy/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/industry-visit-to-sobisco-factory/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/industry-visit-to-greenply/>
- Social Outreach –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/outreach-activity-social-awareness-programme-health-check-up-camp-to-polgustia-board-primary-school/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/raising-rising-a-social-outreach-activity-in-tollygunge-homes/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/report-on-an-extension-activity-and-outreach-program/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/winter-wear-distribution-programme-2023/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/reach-out-campaign/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/blanket-donation-drive-organised-by-department-of-english/>
- Convocation –
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/graduation-felicitation-ceremony-class-of-2021/>
 - <https://www.thebges.edu.in/graduation-felicitation-ceremony-batch-of-2021-22/>