

INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

Pioneer of the Institution

The Good News Welfare Society's Arts and Commerce First Grade College established in the year 1986 under the noble leadership of the then late Rev. Fr. P.J. Jacob.



The untrodden path of Rev.Fr. Dr. Jacob P.J. –

It was not so easy for Fr. P.J. Jacob to leave his family and homeland and come to a far and an alien land. He never felt that he is an outsider in the area of Kalghatgi Taluka. He always felt one with the people especially the poor and the marginalized. In return the people never felt that he was an outsider. He was on a hunger strike at Dharwad to demand long delayed salary grant to staff of ten

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colleges. Under his leadership only government has included grant in aid for 10 colleges at Dharwad, Kalghatgi, Babaleshwar, Hole Alur, Kundagol, etc.

- He was a dedicated and committed government servant who served the office as the Member of Legislative Assembly and later appointed as the Chairman of Local Finance Commission.
- Fr. Jacob was the first priest ordained for Belgaum Diocese.
- He was the first to pass graduation and post graduation and be the recipient of an Hon. Doctorate from Karnatak University.
- Recipient of Rajyotsava Award – “Padma Vibhushan”, Human Right National Award from “Vigil India International, Excellence in Ministry National Award from Catholic Priest Conference of India and Rotary International Award.
- Published a fortnightly of his own, “Mukti Vani” in English, Kannada fortnightly.
- First to have 26 dairy cooperative registered and functioning in the entire vicinity of Kalghatgi Taluka.
- First to found the Maria Prasanna Grihini Training Centre, first and only one in the Karnataka State.
- First to offer Eucharist in Vidhana Soudha and Legislators’ Home.

By the Belgaum Diocese, he was being posted as a priest at Tumrikoppa, Kalghatgi Taluka in the year 1965. After making the entire survey of Kalghatgi Taluka and the rate of literacy, had a burden to establish educational institution so as to provide quality education to all illiterate population of this area of entire Kalghatgi. Taking the confidence of the Belgaum Diocese, started with Nursery at Tumrikoppa village and extended to establish primary and high school, PUC (XII) and based on the

demand of parents, established degree college with the nomenclature Good News Welfare Society's Arts and Commerce Grade College in the year 1986 and after his relentless effort and strike under his leadership, this is one of the 10 colleges included under grant in aid code back in 1995. All these educational institutions established in the Kalghatgi Taluka pioneered by Fr. Jacob was the first of its kind.

Due to his age factor, he has entrusted the entire education institution to Mont Fort Brothers of St. Gabriel, Bengaluru province to carry out his Vision in imparting quality education. Our esteemed Management do support morally, ethically and financially to strengthen the Institution and encourage staff to entrust the responsibilities with utmost holistic and dedications.

Achievements during the last five years.

Our's is the only campus surrounded with a unit called, "GRIHINI" – aims to empower drop out girl students in Tailoring, diary, computer literacy, bank information, etc., comprising of 09 month duration training. Our faculty members do engage some of the classes on Computer Literacy, communication skills, banking transactions, etc. Every year 40 such students are the beneficiaries under this scheme and is successfully running with the active role of our esteemed members of Management. The successful completion of such participants would get Tailoring machine by the Management.

In addition to our Institution, Kalghatgi taluka is added with Government First Grade College. In the midst of the challenges of students retention and sustenance, college has strived its best to retain the intake and put our utmost effort in catering students career prospects during the assessment period.

CURRICULAR PERFORMANCE:

College is fit under 2f and 12(B) and grant in aid code and has sufficient infrastructural facilities for conducting curricular, cocurricular and extra curricular activities. Majority of the faculty members are senior by experience and their active academic role, following are the some of the remarkable achievements during the last five years in this vicinity of Kalghatgi Taluka –

- Maintained the academic excellence and pass percentage of outgoing students is 90% in the entire vicinity of Kalghatgi.
- One Arts student got VIII Rank to the University and 03 Gold Medal in Kannada Subject.
- College regularly conducts Commerce Fest and Arts Fest to keep students abreast to the current trend and established Commerce & Language Laboratory also part of course enrichment activity.
- The Department of Kannada has published 05 Text books as per non CBCS, CBCS and NEP pattern of syllabi. and 01 Translation book. And also Department of Political Science has published a text book as per NEP pattern of syllabi.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

With the active role of NSS, Rovers and Ranger college has conducted enormous extension activities. With the help of these units, the entire campus is upgraded with greenery initiatives with good number of sapplings and also maintained Medicinal garden.

With the help of Sarvodaya Mahasangha®, Surashettikoppa village college regularly conducts awareness programme to the localites about the features of

medicinal plants established in the campus. Some of the medicinal plants within our campus are helpful for sugar, kidney stones, hemoglobin, etc.

The overall impact of the extension activities, during the assessment period following are the recognition and award conferred to the Institution and also to the Convenor of the NSS Unit.

- For the remarkable extension work carried out during the academic year 2018-19, Best NSS Unit Award instituted by the Department of Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt.of Karnataka.
- Conferred Best NSS Programme Officer Award instituted by the Department of Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt.of Karnataka in the year 2018-19.
- Conferred Dr.D.C. Pawate Best NSS Programme Officer Award instituted by the Karnatak University in the year 2018-19.
- Conducted Karnatak University First Zonal level Kabaddi Tournament in the year 2018-19, wherein 16 different college students participated in this tournament. Neighbouring Institution Nadgir Physical Education College, Dharwad got Champion and our host college got Runners up.
- Our's the first Institution in getting championship in Karnatak University Inter Zonal Kabaddi Tournament in the year 2018-19.