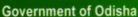
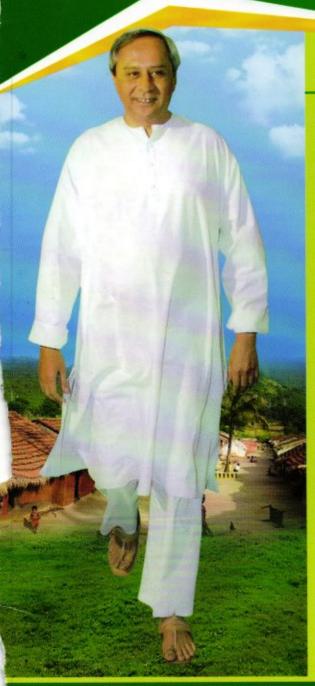


Activities Report

Department of Higher Education

2016-17





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ରାଜ୍ୟର ମେଧାବୀ ତଥା ଗରିବ ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀମାନଙ୍କୁ ଉଚ୍ଚଶିକ୍ଷା ତଥା ବୈଷୟିକ ଶିକ୍ଷା ପ୍ରତି ଆକୃଷ୍ଟ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ମାନ୍ୟବର ମୁଖ୍ୟମତ୍ତୀଙ୍କ ଅନୁମୋଦନକ୍ତମେ ରାଜ୍ୟ ସରକାର ବହୁଦିନ ଧରି ପ୍ରଚଳିତ ବୃତ୍ତିହାର ବୃଦ୍ଧି କରିବା ସହ ଯୋଗ୍ୟ ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀମାନଙ୍କ ପିତାମାତାଙ୍କର ବାର୍ଷିକ ଆୟର ସୀମା ୨୦୧୦-୧୧ ଆର୍ଥିକ ବର୍ଷରୁ ନିମୁମତେ କୋହଳ କରିଛନ୍ତି ।

- ୧. କନିଷ ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତି, ବରିଷ ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତି ଓ ସ୍ନାତକୋତ୍ତର ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତିର ମାସିକ ଯଥାକ୍ରମେ ଟ.୩୦୦/-, ଟ.୫୦୦/- ଓ ଟ.୧୦୦୦/- ହାରରେ ବାର୍ଷିକ ୧୦ ମାସ ପାଇଁ ପ୍ରଦାନ କରାଯାଇଅଛି ।
- ୨. କନିଷ ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତି, ବରିଷ ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତି ଓ ସ୍ନାତକୋତ୍ତର ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତି କ୍ଷେତ୍ରରେ ପ୍ରଚଳିତ ବୃତ୍ତି ସଂଖ୍ୟା ୨୧୩୦, ୬୦୦ ଓ ୨୬୨ରୁ ଯଥାକୁମେ ୧୦,୦୦୦, ୫୦୦୦ ଓ ୧୫୦୦କୁ ବୃଦ୍ଧି କରାଯାଇଛି।
- ୩. ମେଧାବୀ ତଥା ବରିଦ୍ର ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀମାନଙ୍କର ପିତାମାତାଙ୍କର ବାର୍ଷିକ ଆୟର ପ୍ରଚଳିତ ସୀମା ୪.୫ ଲକ୍ଷ ଟଙ୍କାରୁ ୬ ଲକ୍ଷ ଟଙ୍କା ପର୍ଯ୍ୟନ୍ତ କୋହଳ କରାଯାଇଛି ।
- ୪. ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତି ପାଇଁ ଯେଉଁ ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀମାନେ ବିଜ୍ଞାନରେ ସର୍ବନିମ୍ନ ୭୦% ଓ କଳା ଏବଂ ବାଶିଳ୍ୟ ସ୍ରୋତରେ ସର୍ବନିମ୍ନ ୬୦% ମାର୍କ ରଖିଥିବେ, ସେମାନେ ଆବେଦନ କରିପାରିବେ।
- ୫. ବୈଷୟିକ ଷରରେ ସ୍ନାତକ ଶିକ୍ଷାଲାଭ କରୁଥିବା ୧୦,୦୦୦ ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀମାନଙ୍କ ପାଇଁ ବାର୍ଷିକ ୧୦ ହଳାର ଟଙ୍କା କରି ବୃତ୍ତିର ବ୍ୟବସ୍ଥା କରାଯାଇଛି । ଏହି କ୍ଷେତ୍ରରେ ପିତାମାତାଙ୍କର ବାର୍ଷିକ ଆୟର ପ୍ରଚଳିତ ସୀମା ୪.୫ ଲକ୍ଷରୁ ୬ ଲକ୍ଷକୁ ବୃଦ୍ଧି କରାଯାଇଛି ।
- ୬. କାତୀୟ, ରାଜ୍ୟୟ୍ତରୀୟ ଅନୁଷାନ ଓ ଜାତୀୟ ଷରରେ ସ୍ୱୀକୃତିପ୍ରାପ୍ତ ଶିକ୍ଷା ଅନୁଷାନରେ Engineering, MBBS ଓ BDS ପାଠ୍ୟକ୍ରମରେ ନାମ ଲେଖାଇଥିବା ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀ ତଥା କୃଷି ଓ ବୈଷୟିକ ବିଶ୍ୱବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟର ବିଭିନ୍ନ ପାଠ୍ୟକ୍ରମ Integrated Law, Integrated MBA, MCA ପାଠ୍ୟକ୍ରମ, B.Pharma, B.Sc (Nursing) BAMS ଓ BHMS ଶିକ୍ଷାଲାଭ କରୁଥିବା ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀମାନେ ଏହି ବୈଷୟିକ ବୃଭି ପାଇଁ ଆବେଦନ କରିପାରିବେ I
- ୭. ସମୟ ମେଧାବୃତ୍ତିରେ ବାର୍ଷିକ ୨୪,୫୦୦ ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀ ଉପକୃତ ହେବେ ।
- ଏହାର ବିଷ୍କୃତ ବିବରଣୀ ଓ ଆବେଦନପତ୍ର ଉଚ୍ଚଶିକ୍ଷା ବିଭାଗର website - www.dheorissa.in ରେ ଉପଲନ୍ଧ ।

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HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, ODISHA





IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR 2016-17

Education plays a fundamental role in personal, social and national development. The asset of a society is its human resource development of which bestows upon people knowledge, confidence and sense of purpose for building a dynamic, vibrant and cohesive society capable of providing them with the magic for creating a better future and meaningful life. In recent times with the upsurge of aspiration of people for education with the unprecedented growth of technology and information with the rapid and intensive process of globalization, with the emergence of what is called knowledge economy and knowledge based society, education in general and higher education in particular is facing enormous challenges. Keeping in view the paradigm shift in higher education, the Department of Higher Education in recent decade has undertaken spectacular measures to reinvigorate higher education system. The Department is taking continuous reform measures in improving quality of education, establishment of a value based society, broadening the access, equity, excellence and preparing the youth to meet the challenges of 21st Century. Higher Education in the State has been viewed not as a frontier of profit, rather as a frontier for human emancipation.

1. General Information

Higher Education Sector in Odisha comprises Degree and Post Graduate level education including M. Phil and Ph.D Courses. This sector also includes institutions offering courses for Legal studies, Computer Application, Business Management and several other Professional courses. Production of quality text books and reference books for different student groups is also an important work taken up by the Higher Education Department. The Department has a specialized institution i.e. Naba Krushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies.

With effect from 01.07.2016, all +2 colleges have been handed over to the School & Mass Education Department for their management and control. Notification to this effect and amendment of the Rules of Business have been done.

During financial year 2017-18, the provision made under different sectors for the Department of Higher Education is as follows.

Head of Development/ Scheme	Resource Head			n for Annual Plan 2017-18	
General Education Higher Education		Normal	TSP	SCSP	Si .
Programme Expenditure	Others& EAP	56025.32	4715.00	3450.00	64190.32
	Centrally Sponsored Schemes	14184.00	1380.34	2760.66	18325.00
	Central Plan	69.19			69.19
Total Programme Expenditure		70278.51	6095.34	6210.66	82584.51
Administrative Expenditure		126887.86			126887.86
Grand Total Provision					209472.37

2. Institution related Information:

(A) The number of Universities, Autonomous Colleges, General Colleges and Professional Colleges recognized by the Department are detailed below.

(i)	State Universities			11
	(a)	UtkalUniversity, Bhubaneswar		
	(b)	BerhampurUniversity, Berhampur		
	(c)	SambalpurUniversity, Sambalpur		
	(d)	North Orissa University, Baripada		
	(e)	FakirMohanUniversity, Balasore		
	(f)	ShriJagannath Sanskrit University, Puri		
	(g)	Ravenshaw University, Cuttack		
	(h)	OdishaState Open University, Sambalpur		
	(i)	Khallikote Cluster University, Berhampur		
	(j)	Rama Devi Women's University, Bhubanesw	ar	
	(k)	GangadharMeher University, Sambalpur		
(ii)		I Law University, Cuttack		01
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(iii)	Private	Universities		05
	(a)	Centurion University of Technology & Management, Paralakhemundi		
	(b)	Sri Sri University, Cuttack		
	(c)	ICFAI University, Bhubaneswar		
	(d)	Xavier University, Bhubaneswar		
	(e)	Birla Global University, Bhubaneswar		
(iv)		ment Autonomous Colleges:		102
	(a)	Jr. College		34
	(b)	Jr. Women's College		17
	(c)	DegreeCollege		10
	(d)	Degree Women's College		13
	(e)	Autonomous College		16
	(f)	CompositeCollege		01
	(g)	SanskritCollege		03
	(h)	Model Degree College		08
(v)	Aided C	olleges		287
	(a)	DegreeCollege		262
	(b)	Degree Women's College		09
	(c)	Autonomous College		16
(vi)	Aided Sanskrit College			50
(vii)	Block Grant Colleges (662 category)			120
(viii)	Non-Government (Un-aided) College			294
(ix)	Self Financing Colleges:			143
	(a)	ProfessionalCollege		112
27/	(b)	Law College		31

(B) Autonomous Colleges:

With a view to promoting academic excellence, autonomous status has been conferred on the following Government and Non-Government (Aided) Colleges.

(I) Government Autonomous Colleges

- Fakir MohanCollege, Balasore
- B.J.B. College, Bhubaneswar
- M.P.C. College, Baripada
- 4. S.C.S.College, Puri
- N.C.College, Jajpur
- 6. BhadrakCollege, Bhadrak
- RajendraCollege, Bolangir
- DhenkanalCollege, Dhenkanal
- S.K.C.G.College, Paralakhemundi
- GovernmentCollege, Rourkela
- 11. GovernmentCollege, Bhawanipatna
- 12. D.D.College, Keonjhar
- GovernmentCollege, Phulbani
- V.DebCollege, Jeypore
- 15. GovernmentCollege, Angul
- 16. S.B.R. Government Women's College, Berhampur

(ii) Non-Government Autonomous Colleges

- P.N.College, Khurda
- KendraparaCollege, Kendrapara
- BankiCollege, Banki
- 4. S.V.M.College, Jagatsinghpur
- NayagarhCollege, Nayagarh
- RayagadaCollege, Rayagada
- 7. VyasaNagarCollege, Jajpur Road
- 8. U.N.College, Adaspur
- D.A.V.College, Titilagarh
- IspatCollege, Rourkela
- 11. NimaparaCollege, Nimapara
- TalcherCollege, Talcher
- KhariarCollege, Khariar
- Salipur College, Salipur
- 15. Karanjia College, Karanjia
- Science College, Hinjilicut

(c) NAAC Accreditation:

There is a premium on both quantity (increased access) and quality (relevance and excellence of academic programmes offered) of higher education. In Odisha, majority of the Universities and Colleges, had opted for accreditation during 1st Cycle. Mandatory accreditation has been enforced by the Department. As on 28th February, 2017, 11(eleven) Universities and 127 Colleges of this department have been accredited and 205 colleges have submitted their LOI (Letter of Intent) for accreditation. For the first time, Utkal University has been accredited with A+ Grade by NAAC. 24 Educational institutions including 6 state Universities have been accredited with A Grade.

(d) Uniform Academic Calendar:

For improvement of quality education, a uniform Calendar has been adopted by the Colleges for admission, election, examination, publication of results, vacation etc. Discipline is being enforced in the Colleges.

(e) Unique 8 digit college code for all Jr. Colleges/Degree Colleges/ ProfessionalColleges of the State.

In order to keep a track of all colleges and to introduce e-governance in monitoring and managing all Colleges, a unique 8 digit code for each of the Jr. College, Degree College and Professional college of the State has been developed after months of interaction with the field functionaries like Director, Higher Education (DHE), Regional Directors of Education (RDEs) and some college Principals. This code is being used for variouse-Governance applications like SAMS, PIMS, CMSAER, Arrear Claims etc.

(f) ICT Programme in Junior Colleges:

Proposals have been submitted to Government of India for ICT activities, Internet connectivity, teacher capacity building, ICT aided education and computer education under Centrally Sponsored Scheme in 50 Government Junior Colleges and 488 Non-Government Aided Junior Colleges.

(g) National Mission on Education through Information & Communication Technology (NME-ICT) Project in the State;

As per guidelines of Department of Higher Education, Ministry of H.R.D., Government of India, Government of Odisha in Higher Education Department in collaboration with BSNL-MTNL combine has taken up the NMEICT Project in the State of Odisha. To accelerate the activities of providing Broadband connectivity to the Degree Colleges & Universities in the State under NMEICT Project, Higher Education Department has constituted a Sub-Committee under the Chairmanship of the Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department to periodically monitor the Broadband connectivity being provided to all Universities/ Institutions/Colleges in the State.

Broadband connectivity has already been extended to 700 numbers of Degree Colleges and all State Universities. Similarly 10 Universities and 27 colleges have been declared as wi-fi campus.

3. Activities related to Teachers & Employees:

(a) Enhancement of Block Grant Amount:

Recently, Government vide their Notification No. 20335 dated 23.07.2016, No. 20343 dated 23.07.2016 and No. 20351 dated 23.07.2016 have enhanced block grant with effect from 01.06.2016 at the rate of 25% of their emoluments as on 31.05.2016 and annual increment of 3% on such enhanced emoluments for each completed year of service in favour of the employees receiving block grant under Grant-in-Aid Order, 2009, Grant-in-Aid Order, 2009 (Upashastri and Shastri Colleges) and Grant-in-Aid Order, 2008.

(b) Introduction of New GIA in shape of Block Grant Order, 2014

On regular demands of different un-aided/aided colleges, (which were not eligible to receive grant-in-aid under Grant-in-Aid Order, 2009 and 2008) Government have introduced GIA in the shape of Block Grant Order, 2014 during the month of December, 2014 to cover the left out employees of Non-Government Un-Aided and Aided Colleges which were established with recognition of Government and affiliation of the CHSE/University by 1st June, 2008 in Educational Advanced Districts and by 1st June, 2010 in Educationally Backward Districts and Women's Educational Institutions.

(c) Introduction of Odisha Non-Government Aided Colleges Employees Provident Fund Rules, 2016:

Government vide their Notification No.33056 dated 22.11.2016 have introduced Odisha Non-Government Aided Colleges Employees' Provident Fund Rules, 2016 and released 15% of their emoluments as on 31.05.2016 to cover up the teaching and non-teaching employees of Aided Colleges, Aided Junior Colleges and Aided Higher Secondary Schools receiving block grant under the Odisha (Aided Colleges, Aided Junior Colleges and Aided Higher Secondary Schools) Grant-in-Aid Order, 2009, Odisha (Non-Government Colleges, Junior Colleges and Higher Secondary Schools) Grant-in-Aid Order, 2008 and the Odisha (Non-Government Upashastri and Shastri Colleges) Grant-in-Aid Order, 2009 under the aforesaid rule.

(d) Introduction of Ex-gratia benefit:

Government vide their Resolution No.34205 dated 01.12.2016 have formulated the guidelines to extend the financial benefit in shape of ex-gratia of Rs.2.00 lakh in case of death of Rs.1.50 lakh in case of permanent incapacitation in favour of teaching and non-teaching employees of Non-Government Aided Colleges.

(e) Filling up of the post of Junior Lecturers:

Necessary requisition has been made with OPSC to take appropriate steps for recruitment of Junior Lecturers to fill up 272 posts lying vacant in different Government Colleges in the State which is in progress. Similarly for filling up of 513 (352+119+42) numbers of vacant posts of lecturers (CB) in Government Degree Colleges, OPSC has been requested. In the meantime, on the recommendation of OPSC State Government have already appointed 03 number of Degree Lecturers and 207 numbers of Junior Lecturers in different Government Colleges. Apart from keeping in view of delay of recruitment by the OPSC in order to manage the teaching in Government Colleges, the State Government have given engagement of 389 numbers of adhoc lecturers/ad-hoc junior lecturers in Junior Colleges & Degree Colleges.

(f) Filling up of Lecturers in Non-Government Aided Colleges:

State Selection Board which was defunct for last 24 years has been revived and 1625 lecturers have been selected and appointed in different Non-Government Aided Colleges of the State.

(g) Personnel Information Management System (PIMS):

A Personnel Information Management System (PIMS) is being implemented in all Govt. and Non-Govt. Colleges during 2016-17 to generate updated database of all teaching and non-teaching staff. The main objective of PIMS is to have a control over financial expenditure as well as monitor human resources in the colleges. The database is being updated with the assistance of NIC.

(h) Promotional facility to the teachers of Non-Government Aided Colleges

There was no promotional facility for the teachers getting state scale of pay. "Odisha Non-Government Aided College lecturers Placement Rules-2014" have been framed and 500 lecturers have been placed to higher grade under these Rules.

4. Student related Activities :-

(a) Student Academic Management System (SAMS)

Student Academic Management System(SAMS): With a view to reducing the financial burden on students and uncertainty in getting admission and to make admission process more efficient and more transparent, Government in Higher Education department has introduced e-admission under the project "SAMS" from the academic session 2009-10 in 60 junior colleges. It was extended to 169 junior colleges (+2) and 53 degree colleges (+3) during the session 2010-11 and all junior colleges (including +2 self-financing colleges) and 162 degree colleges(+3) during session 2011-12. From the session 2012-13, all Junior & Degree / Autonomous colleges (Including self-financing colleges) of the state have come to the SAMS fold. In the academic session 2016-17 all Junior/ Degree/ Autonomous/ Vocational/ Sanskrit (Upasashtri/Shastri) colleges are within SAMS fold.

SAMS Society is a registered society of HE Dept. formed during 2016, looking after the e-Admission and other related e-governance activities from 2016. E-medhabruti is included under SAMS from 2016 onwards. Students' Life Cycle and HPC automation modules are ready and will be implemented during 2017.

(b) Biju Yuba Sashaktikaran Yojana:

Government of Odisha had announced "Odisha State Youth Policy-2013 with a vision to enable young people motivated, engaged and empowered to accomplish their full potential and remain connected with digital world. Distribution of laptops to 15,000 meritorious +2 pass out students is an attempt in this direction. During 2013-14, this programme Biju Yuba Sashaktikaran Yojana was launched with a mission to distribute 15,000 laptops every year. During 2014-15, vocational students passing from CHSE and Upashastri students passing from Shree Jagannath Sanskrit University have been included in this programme. Subsequently, OdiaLipi software is being preloaded in the Laptops from 2016-17.

(c) Green Passage:

Government of Odisha in Higher Education Department is implementing the "Green Passage" scheme from the academic session 2016-17. Under this scheme, a child who is without biological or adoptive parents and the child is residing in Child Care Institution or under foster care or care of guardian or fit person whose annual income from all sources does not exceed Rs 1.00 lakh "will be exempted from all types of fees including application fees, admission/readmission fees, tuition fees, examination fees, hostel admission fees, laboratory fees, college development fees etc. (Govt. Letter No.: Resolution No.23836/HE/Dt.29.10.2015 & 19226/HE/14.07.2016).

- (d) Civil Service Coaching Centres have been opened in 06 Universities from 2016-17 i.e. Utkal University, Berhampur University, Sambalpur University, Ravenshaw University, G.M.UniversityandR.D.Women's University.
- (e) Govt. has opened Career and Counseling Cell in Utkal, Berhampur, Sambalpur and R.D. Women's University from 2016-17
- (f) B.Ed./M.Ed. Courses under self-financing mode have been opened in 09 Universities and 17 Government Colleges during the academic session 2016-17. During the current year more than 1185 students have already been enrolled under these courses.
- (g) On-line Registration and Filling up forms for admit card:

Higher Education Department has introduced the on-line Registration & Form Fill up for Junior Colleges from the Academic Session 2011-12. Under this process 5,00,000 students are being benefited through direct access to Higher Education Department website www.dheorissa.in or www.dheodisha.gov.in for collection of their Registration cards and admit cards.

(h) Anti-Ragging Cell:

As per the directions of Hon'ble Apex Court Anti-Ragging Cells have been made operational in all Universities and Colleges.

(i) Self-defence Training for College girls.

Self-defence training Programme for College girls is a flagship programme of Higher Education Department under Odisha State Youth Policy 2013. The programme was started on 1st August, 2013 with the aim of imparting self-defence training to 2.50 lakhs College girls from the academic session 2013-14. Government has released Rs.6.00 Crores in favour of 30 district nodal Colleges for this purpose during the academic session 2013-14, Rs.5.60 crores during the academic session 2014-15, Rs.5.60 crores during the academic session 2015-16& 5.60 Crs during the academic session 2016-17. Similarly Master Trainers have been trained from the year 2013-14 and till date more than 1500 Master Trainers have been trained to impart training to girls at the college level.

Department of Higher Education has introduced award system for the best Master Trainer, best Trainee, best Programme Coordinator, best DLC, best Principal from the year 2015-16.

(j) Scholarships:

- (i) Various scholarships are being awarded by State Government and Government of India to meritorious/meritorious and poor students of Orissa for pursuing higher studies including studies in Technical and Professional education. From the financial year 2010-11 the State Government has revised the rate and number of scholarships awarded by the State Government. The rate of Jr. Merit Scholarship, Sr. Merit Scholarship & P.G. Merit Scholarship has been enhanced to Rs.3,000/-, Rs.5,000/- and Rs.10,000/-respectively. Government have also relaxed the income limit of parentsupto 6.00 lakhs per annum, so as to enable more meritorious students to avail the opportunity.
- (ii) Government has introduced a mega scholarship scheme for encouragement of the meritorious students pursuing higher studies in the field of different Technical and Professional studies. The scheme has been designed to award 10,000 numbers of scholarships @ Rs.10,000/- per annum to each deserving students.
- (iii) Vyasakabi Fakir Mohan SenapatiScholarship: Students securing more than 90% marks in Odia at College level and opting Odia as major subject can get one time scholarship of Rs 20,000.00.
- (iv) The students can avail study loan through bank for their higher education and pay the interest @ 1% after completion of their study under KalingaSikhyaSathiYojana(KSSY). The differential amount of interest of their loan will be borne by the State Government, after the completion of moratorium period.
- (v) The application procedure has also been simplified and now all categories of students can give ON-LINE application through Common Application Form for Award of Scholarship (CAFAS) of its official website www.emedhabruti.org for various scholarships of the State Government.

(k) National Cadet Corps (NCC)

N.C.C. has been promoted in the State jointly by Government of India and State Government. At present 55,679 students of 184 colleges and 614 High Schools have been enrolled under N.C.C. A sum of Rs.15,15,98,000/- out of non-plan and Rs.2,00,00,000/- out of plan was provided in the budget during the year 2016-17 for the development of N.C.C. activities. To spread the NCC activities further, three numbers of NCC unitshave been opened in the KBK area of Nawarangpur, Rayagada, Bhawanipatna and one at Keonjhar. Apart from this, Government have agreed in principle for opening of one Naval Unit at Paradeep and Air Squadron in Jharsuguda.

The Cadets of our State are taking part in the National level camps such as National Integration Camp, Republic Day Camp etc. They are also participating in Annual Training Camp, Nausainik Day Camps. In addition to N.C.C. activities the cadets are also involved in Social Welfare activities like Plantation, Sanitation, Blood Donation Immunization and Awareness Generation Programme on HIV & AIDS etc.

(I) National Service Scheme (NSS)

National Service Scheme, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme is operating in 09 Universities, two Deemed Universities, NIT, Rourkela, VSSUT, Burla& C.H.S.E., Odisha. The +2 Sections of C.B.S.E. Schools, Polytechnics and EkalabyaModelSchools under ST & SC Development Department have been allowed for allocation of Volunteers in NSS under the control of C.H.S.E., Odisha. Further, the NavodayaVidyalayas have been allotted a Volunteer strength of 1500. The NSS scheme has become a central sector scheme with 100% assistance from Government of India from the year 2016-17. The total Volunteer strength is1,15,500. The scheme envisages personality development of Volunteers through community service and the units have taken up various social welfare activities which include plantation, sanitation, water conservation, disaster management, Swachha Bharat Abhiyan, etc. during the current financial year 2016-17. The Government of India have provided a sum of Rs.1,30,26,626/- which has been distributed among different NSS Bureaus. The Volunteers are actively involved in blood donation, plantation, AIDS consciousness, Integrated Youth Development Programme, Disaster Management, Voter awareness and participated in National Adventures Programme.

Under the supervision of State NSS Cell, one Programme Officer, one Principal, one Male Volunteer and one Female Volunteer have received the prestigious Indira Gandhi National Award on 19th November, 2016 for the year 2015-16.

On the occasion of Martyr's Day of Mahatma Gandhi on 30th January 2017 a programme on Organ Donation was organized jointly by NSS Odisha and LoksevakMandal, where 3825 NSS Volunteers, Students and Teachers submitted their willingness to donate their organs which created the Guiness Book of World Record. This was celebrated in the campus of Utkal University.

(m) Youth Red Cross:

Youth Red Cross is organized in the State jointly by the State Government in the Department of Higher Education and Indian Red Cross Society (State Branch) in different colleges and +2 institutions. The Youth Red Cross in the State has done a commendable job in the field of awareness generation on HIV/AIDS, communicable diseases, health promotion, training emergencies and safe blood. A sum of 20.00 lakhs has been provided for taking up the activities during 2016-17.

(n) Rovers & Rangers:

Rovers and Rangers is implemented in different colleges jointly by State Government and Bharat Scouts & Guides (Odisha State Branch). This organization has played an important role in shaping the character of the future citizens of the country. A sum of 20.00 lakhs has been sanctioned to take up the activities during 2016-17.

5. District Infrastructure and Quality Monitoring Cells:

Government has increased the number of District Infrastructure and Quality Monitoring Cells headed by District Level Consultants (DLCs) from 25 to 30 in different districts across the State for ensuring quality in Higher Education. The monitoring cells have been conducting district wise quality monitoring and conducting zone-wise meetings of Principals periodically.

6. New Institutions/Universities:

Establishment of New Universities:

The sincere efforts of the State Government has gone a long way in the establishment of a CentralUniversity at Koraput. National Institute of Science Education & Research (NISER) established by Government of India, Department of Atomic Energy has been possible due to the sincere effort of the State Government. To bring the legal education in the State at par with International standard, the National Law University, Odisha has been established at Cuttack.

Government has also taken all possible measures to encourage establishment of Universities in Private Sector. Centurion University of Technology and Management, ShriShri University, Xavier University and Birla Global University have already been established by separate Acts. During the current Budget Session of OLA, two Bills Viz, 1) Odisha State Higher Education Council Bill 2) Odia Language and Literature Bill have been proposed to be introduced by the Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education.

Besides, there are 27fresh proposals for establishment of Universities in Private Sector, which are under active consideration by the Expert Committee formed by the State Government.

7. Infrastructure Development:

(a) Provision under State Plan

Under State Plan a Provision amounting to Rs.957.20Crore, Non plan Rs.1239.80crore and Central plan Rs.50.00 lakh has been made in the Budget 2016-17 which includes infrastructure development grant to Universities (Rs.95.00 Crores), Government Colleges (Rs.70.00 Crores) and for Non-Govt Colleges (Rs.30.00crore), Scholarship for Professional Courses(Rs.41.50 Crore) and Block Grant to Non-Government Aided Colleges (Rs.360.00 Crore), distribution of Laptops (Rs.34.00 crore), Self-Defence Training programmes for girls (Rs.5.60 crore) and RUSA (Rs.175.45crore).

(b) College Information & Infrastructure Project (CIIP)

College Information & Infrastructure Project (CIIP) has been introduced under the Council Automation initiative. In this system, the infrastructure available in the colleges in state of Odisha will be captured through e-Space software. From this database Government will plan to strengthen the colleges in terms of Lab & Civil Infrastructure. CHSE will plan the Examination Centers on the basis of infrastructure available in that particular college.

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- Major Initiatives:
- (a) Expansion:
- Odisha State Higher Education Council (OSHEC) was formed through a resolution by the executive order of the Govt. of Odisha on 09/05/2014. Members to the Council were nominated by the State Governmenton 10/12/2015
- ii) R.D. Women's (Autonomous)College, Bhubaneswar;Khallikote(Autonomous) College, Berhampur and G.M. (Autonomous) College, Sambalpur were up-graded into universities under RUSA project and were declared as Universities on 30th May, 2015.
- State Open University at Sambalpur was set up at Sambalpur. iii)
- Three (03) Colleges were up-graded to Model Degree Colleges (S.C.S College, Puri, KKS iv) Women's College, Balasore and Govt. College, Sundargarh) under Rashtriya Uchhatar Sikshya Abhiyan(RUSA) project of MHRD.
- As per decision taken in National Development Council, Government in Higher Education Department has established 8 Model Degree Colleges one each in the districts of Boudh, Deogarh, Malkangiri, Nawarangpur, Nayagada, Nuapada, Rayagada&Sonepur keeping in view their low gross enrolment ratio. All these 8 Model Degree Colleges have been set up under RUSA Project. These MDCs have started functioning from 2016-17 with an enrollment of 2504
- Government of India have opened Seven Community Colleges under PPP Mode in the following Government Autonomous Colleges. (1) Khalikote (Auto) Colleges, Berhampur (2) F.M. (Auto) College, Balasore (3) D.D. (Auto) College, Keonjhar (4) V.D. (Auto) College, Jeypore (5) M.P.C. (Auto) College, Baripada (6) Government (Auto) College, Rourkela (7) Government (Auto) College, Bhawanipatna. Each College will get 21 lakhs to open trade related courses such as Tourism & Hospitality Management and Retail Management. The Diploma Course in the above subject was started from academic session 2014-15.
- vii) 1.2 Lakh seats in Junior Colleges and 54,000 seats in Degreecolleges wereincreased to increase the GER of higher education in Odisha (from 17.5 % to 30% by 2020).
- (b) Infrastructure:
- Infrastructure grant to universities/college has been enhanced to provide stable infrastructure (Rs 238.00 Cr.) including Govt. Colleges (Rs 70.00 Cr.)
 - Government is committed to provide hostel facilities to all girl students, for which it has a) been planned to create 20,000 hostel seats in colleges and universities. Infrastructure grants have been provided to HEIs for hostels.
 - Infrastructure grantswere provided to non-Govt. Aided Colleges @12/10 Lakhs per college in KBK/Non-KBK areas respectively.
- In all Government Colleges and Vocational Colleges, the laboratories were strengthened with the financial assistance of Rs 13.00 crore from the state budget. iii)
- Establishment of Language Laboratories:
 - In order to enhance the proficiency in communication in English, 108 language laboratories have been set up both in Government as well as non-Govt. colleges and short term course in Communication skill in English language is imparted in 25 colleges on pilot basis through these language laboratories.
- "Human Resource Development Centre" in each State University for capacity building of iv) teachers has been set up (Utkal, Berhampur, Sambalpur, F.M. & North Orissa University). V)
- "Central Instrumentation Centre" in Utkal University has been set up.

Recruitment: c)

- 227 Junior Lecturers have been selected through OPSC. they have been appointed in (i) different Junior Colleges.
- OPSC has conducted interviews for 352 posts of Degree lecturers.
- (iii) Government have given permission for filling up of all the 426 vacant posts in the state universities and interview process is going on.
- The recruitment process for the post of 1625 teachers in non-govt, aided colleges by State Selection Board (SSB) has been completed and the recruited lecturers have been posted to different Non-Govt. Aided Colleges. The allotment of colleges to the new recruits was done through an open and transparent system, by taking into account the set of choices of each candidate and considering them to the extent possible.
- Recruitment for 274 Non-Teaching posts for Govt. Colleges is being done by DHE through OSSC/OSSSC.
- (d) Equity:
- (a) Government has increased the percentage of reservation for SC and ST category in education sector from 8% to 16.25% and 12% to 22.50% respectively.

(e) Quality:

- i) State Quality Assurance Cell(SQAC) has been set up in the Higher EducationDeptt.to sensitize the HEIs to go forNAAC accreditation and monitor their activities in the postaccreditation period.
- ii) Introduction of Compulsory Debate/Group Discussion classes: Colleges have been instructed to conduct Debate and Group Discussion for the students in all +2 and +3 Colleges in every week to enhance the communication skill and create general awareness among the students.
- iii) Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) was introduced in all the 32 Autonomous Colleges and all Universities of the State during 2015-16. This has been introduced in all General Degree Colleges from the academic session-2016-17.

Integration of Skill based subjects in +2 and +3 Curriculum:

- Government has integrated 12 vocational subjects in the streams of Arts, Science and Commerce at +2 level in general colleges during the academic session 2015-16. The curriculum for the courses has been approved by the CHSE. Most of the colleges have opted vocational courses at +2 level.
- (ii) Ten vocational subjects have also been integrated in degree curriculum of Arts, Science and Commerce from the academic session 2015-16 with a vision to enhance the existing employability skills of students as per NSQF guidelines.
- Skill Development Training: Collaboration with TISS (Tata Institute of Social Sciences) has been made to impart skill development training to students of 03 colleges (Balugaon, g) Chandikhole& City Women's College, Bhubaneswar) on pilot basis. Besides, training of Teachers of Vocational Colleges is imparted by Centurion University of Technology & Management, Bhubaneswar and Central Institute of Plastic Engineering, Bhubaneswar.

- h) Capacity Building development programmes:
 - Leadership development programmes have been organized under RUSA for the Vice-(1) Chancellors/Registrars/other officials of Universities and also for Principals of Colleges by the Higher Education Deptt. (ii)
 - Training programme of Principals, Accountants on web based Accounting System of all non-Government Aided Colleges by NIC: Government in Higher Education Department, in consultation with the Finance Department have implemented a web based financial accounting system developed by NIC in the name of "College Accounting Procedure Automation'(CAPA) in non-Govt. aided Colleges from the next financial year i.e. 2016-17and a training programme of Principals and Accountants was organized from 30th January to 9th February, 2016 s at KIIT Conference Hall on CAPA.
- Opening of different Cells in all Universities and Colleges: (i)

All Vice-Chancellors of Universities and Principals of all Colleges have opened Students Advisory Bureau, Career Counseling Cell, Placement Cells, Internal Quality Assurance Cell, and Equal Opportunity Cell.

- Research & Innovation: Odisha State Higher Education Council (OSHEC) has submitted (j) proposals of Rs196.00 Crore on Research & Innovation under 05 broad themes to RUSA Mission Authority, MHRD for approval. (k)
- Lifestyle Intervention:
 - (i) Self-Defence Training Programme: 2.5 lakh girl students have been covered under "State Youth Policy-2013" during 2014-15 and another 2.5 lakh students are trained
 - (ii) Distribution of Laptops to Meritorious students: For the last 03 years, 15,000 laptops are distributed every year to the students, passing from Annual HS Examination and continuing their study in higher educational institutions
- Implementation of public service delivery system: (1)

Timelines have been fixed for 23 essential services, like issuance of certificates to students, authentication of certificates etc. In the first phase, authentication of original certificates has gone on-line.

(m) E-Governance:

- e-Admission: Throughout the state, e- admission has been introduced by means of Student Academic Management System to bring better transparency, error free admission to the students in an economical mode. This year, "SAMS Society" has been set up in the department to monitor e-admission activities of the Colleges.
- e-Despatch: Letter for communication has been channelized through e-despatch system with an intention of economical mode, less time consuming ,immediate response as well as lead to eco-friendly environment.
- iii) e-Scholarships: Different types of Scholarships are awarded to students pursuing higher studies by the Higher Education Department. In order to make the process easy, it has been made on-line for application /selection/renewal and disbursement. 24,500 students are benefitted every year.

All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) in Odisha:

Odisha is among the few states to achieve 100% target in data uploading for AISHE-2014-15. For 2015-16, 95% colleges and 90% Universities have already uploaded their data as on 20th March, 2016.

(o) State's participation in Higher Education Leadership Forum:

Eighteen(18) participants, representing academic administrators, policy makers, college& university teachers attended 'H.E. Leadership Forum' in 02 batches on 8th-9th 11th -12th January, 2016, organized by TISS, Mumbai.

AncillaryInstitutions:

Odisha State Bureau of Text Book Preparation & Production: (a)

Odisha State Bureau of Textbook Preparation & Production has completed 47 years on 11th March, 2017. During all these years the Bureau has published 700 books in Odia language for +2 and +3 students in the field of Science, Arts, Commerce, Vocational, Agriculture and Engineering. The Bureau has prepared and produced customized books for Visually Challanged pupil as per the order of Odisha Primary Education Programme Authority (OPEPA) and accomplished a major project of printing of 106 tilted books in tribal languages of ten Districts. It is a matter of pride and privilege that the Bureau has already published English-Odia glossaries in 40 different subjects and five dictionaries utilizing financial assistance from Commission for Scientific and Technical terminology (CSTT), Govt. of India. The Bureau organizes national and state level seminars / workshops to create awareness and invite expert suggestions on various academic issues. The Bureau has engaged several brilliant and experienced author for Preparation of Textbooks in various subjects as per the new syllabus of +2 following CBSE Pattern for the academic session 2016-17. The Bureau is committed to deliver high quality reading materials at reasonable prices for the students and academicians of our state. Knowledge is evolving; so also are the books. The Odisha State Bureau of Textbook Preparation and Production plays an important role in enlightening the knowledge through books and creating awareness and promoting interests towards reading in the intellectual pursuits of our students.

(b) State Education Tribunal:

The State Government in the erstwhile Education and Youth Services Department Notification No.30395/EYS dated 08.11.1974 have constituted the State Education Tribunal, Odisha for the whole State with the appellate powers under Section 10 (A) of the Orissa Education Act, 1969. Further, by the Orissa Education (Amendment) Act, 1998, the jurisdiction of the Tribunal has been extended by inserting a new section i.e. 24-B to hear cases relating to grant-in-aid. Besides, an amendment in rule-4, in sub-clause(5) of clause(v) after the words "as there are respondents" the words "and one more copy for service on Government Advocate of the Tribunal" shall be inserted in the Odisha Education (Tribunal) Rules, 1977.

The State Education Tribunal has been shifted to 3rd Floor of Toshali Plaza, Bhubaneswarw.e.f. 16.08.2009.

(c) Vocational Education:

Vocational courses at +2 level are offered in 231 Government Vocational Junior Colleges with a main motto to produce middle level skilled personnel for self-employment. These institutions are spread over in 30 districts of the State and the courses are imparted basing on the local needs and the recommendation of the District Vocational Education Committee. At present 20 Vocational Courses are taught in 231 Vocational Junior Colleges. The services of 201 numbers of Full Time Resource Persons have been regularized in the post of Junior Lecturers during 2016-17. The following steps have been taken for effective management of vocational education in the State.

- The Government has integrated twelve skill subjects in the streams of Arts, Science and Commerce at +2 level in general colleges during the academic session 2015-16. The curriculum for the following courses has been approved by the CHSE.
 - (1) Automobile Technology, (2) Banking, (3) Dairying, (4) Electrical Domestic Appliances, (5) Fashion Technology, (6) Horticulture, (7) Information Technology, (8) Mobile Technology, (9) Office Management, (10) Printing Technology, (11) Paramedical Health Care, (12) Travel & Tourism Management.
- The following ten skill subjects have been integrated in under graduate curriculum of Arts,
 Science and Commerce from the academic session 2015-16 with a vision to enhance the existing employability skills of students.
 - (1) Banking, (2) Electrical Domestic Appliances, (3) Fashion Technology, (4) Food Processing Technology, (5) Horticulture, (6) Information & Communication Technology, (7) Modern Office Management, (8) Printing Technology & Desktop Publication, (9) Paramedical Health Care, (10) Travel & Tourism Management.
- A well furnished campus has been developed for the functioning of the Regional Office of Vocational Education at Unit-II, Bhubaneswar. An extension centre of Regional Office of Board of Practical Training (BOPT), Kolkata has also been developed in the same campus for coordinating apprenticeship training for employment of vocational students of the State.

(d) NabakrushnaChoudhury Centre for Development Studies:

NabakrushnaChoudhury Centre for Development Studies was established in 1987 under the joint sponsorship of ICSSR (Ministry of Human Resource Development) and Government of Odisha and receives matching grants from them on 50:50 basis. The Centre has also received endowment grants from different public and private corporate bodies like MCI, TISCO, NALCO, IDC etc.

The basic objective of the Centre is to act as an apex Centre for applied socio-economic research with reference to Odisha in particular. In addition, it is also required to provide research and policy advice to various agencies of Government of India and Government of Odisha and, on request, professional assistance and consultancy services to Government of Odisha as well as Government of India.

(e) Rashtriya Uchchatar Siksha Abhiyan (RUSA):

RUSA, a national flagship programme of GOVt. of India was implemented in 2014 in Odisha. The main objective of RUSA is to achieve access, excellences and equity in Higher Education. The cost of the programme is shared by the Centre and the State in the ratio of 60:40. A total of 147 institutions are funded under RUSA till date. RUSA grant of Rs.197.55 Crore has been released as Central share and Rs.123.96 Croresas State Share till date.

Other than the infrastructure grants, some of the key activities whichare included under RUSA are:-

- (i) Capacity Building development programmes: Leadership development programmes have been organized under RUSA for the Vice-Chancellors/Registrars/other officials of Universities and also for Principals of Colleges.
- (ii) Affiliation Reforms-New Universities have been set up under RUSA project. R.D. Women's University has been newly createdfrom Utkal University and 46 Women's College have been put under R.D Women's University to lessen the burden.
- (iii) Equity Initiatives: RUSA assistance has been provided to 05 Universities to provide e-Content to tribal students of the Colleges of Utkal, Berhampur, Sambalpur, F.M. and North-Orissa University. Utkal University has been entrusted to develop the e-content.
- (iv) Implementation of Public Financial Management System(PFMS) and Geo-Tagging- In order to bring transparency and tracking of physical and financial progress under RUSA, MHRD has introduced PFMS and Geo-tagging App .Odisha is implementing both PFMS and geotagging system successfully.

(f) Odisha State Higher Education Council

Odisha State Higher Education Council has been constituted by a resolution of the Government of Odisha. Department of Higher Education dated 9th May 2014. The aim of the formation of Council is to provide for the resolution is to provide for the benchmarking, Coordination and maintenance of standards and promotion of higher education and research, in college education at +3 and post graduate levels and university education. This will further promote the autonomy of higher educational institutions for the free pursuit of knowledge and innovation, and for facilitating accesses, inclusion and opportunities to all and providing comprehensive and holistic growth of higher education and research in a competitive global environment through reforms and renovation, and to provide for an advisory mechanism by eminent peers in academia. As per the provision of resolution, the council is constituted with Minister of Higher Education as Chairman and 15 other distinguished members from different walks of life. The first meeting of the newly constituted Odisha State Higher Education Council was held on 8th April 2016. Presently State Higher Education Council is engaged in the preparation of draft State Higher Education Policy. Consultative workshops of intellectuals, Teachers and Student Organizations have been completed. Five Regional Consultative Workshop at P.N (Auto) College, Khorda, Govt. Women's College, Keonjhar, Bhadrak (Auto) College, Bhadrak, G.M. University, Sambalpur, V.Dev (Auto) College, Jeypore have been completed. Last consultative workshop is being held at Khallikote Cluster University, Berhampur on 5th march 2017. The OSHEC is also coordinating the RUSA activities in the State. Odisha State Higher Education Bill 2016 have been approved by the cabinet on 12 August 2016. This Bill is awaiting the legislative approval. The Budget Provision of the Council in the Financial Year 2016-17 was Twenty Lakhs.











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