



Government of Orissa

# **ACTIVITIES REPORT** *of* **HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** *for* **2007-08**



**THE NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY**

**HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT  
ORISSA**

## IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE YEAR 2007-08.

Globalization, rapid industrialization and fast changing Socio-economic needs have generated unprecedented demand for highly skilled and professional manpower. In the fitness of things emphasis has been laid on quality in Education and primacy is given to professional education.

1. Higher Education sector in Orissa comprises of degree and University level education including the Higher Secondary and +2 Vocational education. This sector also includes institutions offering courses for legal studies, Computer Application, Business Management and several other professional courses. Production of quality textbooks and reference books for different client groups of Higher Education is also one of the parts of this sector in the State. This also deals with a number of research and specialized institutions like Naba Krushna Choudhury Centre for Development Studies, etc.

2. **The number of Universities, Autonomous Colleges, General Colleges and Professional Colleges recognized by the Department are detailed below.**

i. Universities	--	07
ii. Government Degree Colleges		
a) General Colleges	--	44
b) Sanskrit College	--	03
Total	--	47
(Out of 44 General Colleges 16 are Women's Colleges)		
iii. Junior Colleges	--	49
(Out of the above 17 are Women's Colleges)		
iv. Non-Government Aided Colleges	--	488
v. Non-Government (Un-aided) Colleges both +2 & +3	--	886
vi. Law Colleges		
a) University Law Colleges	--	04
b) Non-Government Law Colleges	--	28
vii. Non-Government (Aided) Sanskrit Colleges	--	22
viii. Non-Government (Un-aided) Sanskrit Colleges	--	158
ix. Professional Colleges recognized by Higher Education Department	--	84

### 3. Autonomous Colleges :

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

#### Government Colleges

1. Khallikote College, Berhampur
2. F.M. College, Balasore
3. G.M. College, Sambalpur
4. B.J.B. College, Bhubaneswar
5. R.D. Women's College, Bhubaneswar
6. M.P.C. College, Baripada
7. S.C.S. College, Puri
8. N.C. College, Jajpur
9. Bhadrak College, Bhadrak
10. Rajendra College, Bolangir
11. Dhenkanal College, Dhenkanal
12. S.K.C.G. College, Parikhemundi
13. Government College, Rourkela
14. Government College, Bhawanipatna
15. D.D. College, Keonjhar
16. Government College, Phulbani
17. V. Deb College, Jeypore
18. Government College, Angul
19. S.B.R. Government Women's College, Berhampur

#### Non-Government Colleges

1. P. N. College, Khurda
2. Kendrapara College, Kendrapara
3. Banki College, Banki
4. S.V.M. College, Jagatsinghpur
5. Nayagarh College, Nayagarh
6. Rayagada College, Rayagada

### 4. Academic Environment:

The academic environment of the Universities and Colleges during the Academic Session, 2007-08 remained peaceful. The Fiscal Management of the Department has shown improvement. Grant-in-Aid towards salary of teaching and non-teaching staff on Non-Government Aided Colleges has been provided for the full financial year.

### 5. Establishment of National Law University at Cuttack:

Hon'ble Chief Minister has laid foundation stone of the National Law University, Orissa on 05.01.2008 at Brajabiharipur, Cuttack and steps have already been taken

to place the bill before the Assembly in the current session. For the purpose 30 acres of land free of premium has been provided at Brajabiharipur, Cuttack. State Government have also committed to pay Rs.5.00 crores as one time financial assistance for the National Law University, Orissa.



*Hon'ble Chief Minister, Orissa laying foundation stone of National Law University, Orissa.*

#### **6. Vedanta University:**

For establishment of Vedanta University, 6,270 acres of land including 707.52 acres of Government land are being provided near Puri. This will be a World class multi-disciplinary University which will provide academic facility to nearly 1.00 lakh students.

#### **7. I.C.F.A.I.:**

Government in Higher Education Department is taking steps to introduce a bill for establishment of I.C.F.A.I. University in the state.

#### **8. Open University:**

Government in Higher Education Department is proposing to bring a bill on Open University in the State.

#### **9. Sri Sri University:**

For establishment of Sri Sri University, Government have sanctioned advance possession of 185 acres of land under Cuttack Sadar Tahasil. Steps are being taken for enactment of Sri Sri University Bill.

#### **10. National Institute for Science Education and Research**

The National Institute for Science Education and Research has started functioning in the Campus of Institute of Physics from 2007-08. Expeditious steps are being taken to provide 300 Acres of Land near Bhubaneswar for Establishment of the Institute.

#### **11. NAAC Accreditation**

Govt. has decided to make NAAC accreditation mandatory for all Universities, Govt. and Non-Govt. Aided Degree Colleges. So far 149 Colleges and 3 Universities of the State have been accredited by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC).

#### **12. Infrastructural Development of the Universities during the financial year 2007-08:**

A sum of Rs.35.00 crores has been provided under 12th Finance Commission to seven Universities for their infrastructural development. The expenditure is

being reviewed bi-monthly by the Department and follow up action is being taken. Besides that Rs.5 crores have been provided to Ravenshaw Unitary University under State plan for infrastructure development.

### **13. 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 has been enforced in the colleges following implementation of dress code.

### **14. Election of Office Bearers:**

To establish discipline in colleges, election to the post of the office bearers of Students Union has been conducted on one day without any untoward incident. For the purpose a set of guidelines was communicated to all concerned. This guideline was almost commensurate with that of the Hon'ble Supreme Court on the recommendation of Lyngdoh Commission.

### **15. E-Education:**

To streamline the administration, provision has been made to provide computers to the Government and Non-Government Aided Colleges to facilitate E-Education.

### **16. Project Genesis:**

For introduction of analytical skills and foreign language skill among students of General Colleges training has been imparted to selected teachers of colleges and universities through Infosys. The teachers in turn have organized orientation classes for students for development of their language and analytical skills for better employability. 200 students, after this orientation, have been able to get jobs in BPO sector.

### **17. Introduction of Yoga:**

For development of mental and physical activities of the students, Yoga practice has been introduced in different colleges through NSS. Besides that Yoga has been introduced in +2 classes as compulsory subject. The textbook for Yoga has been prepared by a team of experts including Sanyasi Yogeswar. The text book was highly appreciated by Jogaguru Swami Ramdevji while conducting a Yoga camp at Cuttack.



*Jogaguru Swami Ramdevji releasing Textbook on Yoga*

## **18. Anti-Ragging Cell:**

As per the directions of Hon'ble Apex Court instruction has been issued to all Universities and Colleges to open Anti-ragging Cell and to deal strictly with such offenders.

## **19. Promotion of Junior Lecturers:**

Keeping in view the Cabinet decision, 149 junior lecturers in different faculties who have completed 8 years of service as on 31.12.2006 have been upgraded to the status of lecturers in the scale of pay Rs.8000-275-13500/- with usual DA and allowances as admissible from time to time. The rest eligible cases are also being taken up.

## **20. Filling up the post of Jr. Lecturers:**

O.P.S.C. has been moved to fill-up 400 posts of Jr. Lecturers on contractual basis.

## **21. Enhancement of D.A.:**

During 2007-08, 35% of Dearness Allowance has been sanctioned for the employees of Non-Government Aided College, covered under grant-in-aid, which has put them on equal footing with their counter parts in Government colleges.

## **22. Career Advancement:**

Steps have been taken to clear the back log of Career Advancement of teachers covered under UGC scheme in case of both Government and Non-Government Aided Colleges.

## **23. Transfer of Provisions under Plan to Non-Plan:**

The teachers of Non-Government Aided Colleges getting Grant-in-Aid will get their salary from Non-Plan Sector hence forward.

## **24. Enhancement of Refreshment Allowance:**

The refreshment allowance payable to N.C.C. cadets has been revised from Rs.0.75 paise per period to Rs.2/- per period from the year 2007-08.

## **25. Enhancement of Remuneration of FTRPs & PTRPs:**

The remuneration of Full time Resource Persons and Part time Resource Persons engaged in Government Junior Vocational Colleges has been revised from Rs.3,000/- to Rs.5,000/- per month and from Rs.35/- per class to Rs.50/- per class respectively with effect from 01.01.2008.

## 26. Commemoration of 150 years of Indian struggle for Freedom.

A state level seminar was organised on 20.01.08 at Utkal University on Gandhian Philosophy and its impact on modern society in the direction of International Peace and Universal brotherhood for commemoration of 150th Anniversary of 1st War of Independence, 1857 and 60th Year of Independence.



Commissioner-Cum-Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education felicitating Sri Goparaj Labanam, Noted Gandhian Scholar and Freedom Fighter.

## 27. Council of Higher Secondary Education:

Keeping in view the CBSE, ICSE courses and entrance examination for IIT, JEE etc. the syllabus for +2 students has been revised and updated by the Council of Higher Secondary Education. To reduce the burden on examinees the CHSE examination has been divided into two parts i.e. First Year and Second Year. The first year examination is conducted at the college level while second year examination is conducted by CHSE. 15 minutes extra time has been given to the students to read the questions and steps have been taken to issue mark-sheet and certificates to the students on the date of publication of result. For better transparency, photocopy of the answer script is being provided to the students on payment of fees for the purpose. The full mark for MIL including Oriya has been enhanced to 200 and Sanskrit has been introduced as an alternative language in MIL. Regular orientation classes for teachers are being organized for the teachers of the colleges to update their knowledge. Stringent action is being taken against the colleges where malpractice has been reported.

## 28. 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 and the courses are imparted basing on the local needs and the recommendation of the District Vocational Education Committee. Presently, 20 Vocational Courses are taught. Training programme has been conducted for Full Time Resource Persons to update their knowledge and approach and teachers are being deputed to Pandit Sundarlal Sharma Institute of Vocational Education, Bhopal, Regional Institute of Education, Bhubaneswar and Nagpur for advance courses. Government of India have been requested for financial assistance to the tune of Rs.467.45 crores for expansion of this programme with new trades during 11th Five Year Plan.

## 29. Orissa Bureau of Text Book Preparation & Production:

The Orissa State Bureau of Text Book Preparation and Production, Bhubaneswar

is entrusted with production of text books, hand books for teachers, work books for pupils and other educational literatures useful for furtherance of teaching and learning in educational institutions. Besides, publication of different categories of books, the Bureau has taken up printing works of different Government, Semi-Government and Autonomous bodies.

Future plans and programmes of the Bureau for the year 2008-09 are as follows:

- i) Publication of +2,+3 and +2 Vocational Education books in the light of revised syllabus.
- ii) Publication of English-English-Oriya Dictionary and Definitional Dictionary in 10 subjects.
- iii) Opening of Sale Counter in Berhampur, Rayagada, Rourkela, Jaypur during 3 months of the academic session for sale promotion of Bureau's publications.
- iv) Printing and supply of Oriya +2 and +3 text books to the Oriya students of neighbouring States of Orissa.
- v) To take up Oriya translation of rare and useful books of other Indian languages.
- vi) Organisation of Workshop/Seminars/Orientation programmes for preparation of books in Oriya language and English-Oriya Glossaries with financial assistance from C.S.T.T., Government of India.
- vii) Computerisation and implementation of Web-site.

### **30. National Cadet Corps:**

N.C.C. has been promoted in the State jointly by Government of India and State Government. At present 45,600 students of 156 colleges and 535 High Schools have been enrolled under N.C.C. A sum of Rs.5,09,01,000/- has been provided in the budget for the year 2007-08 for the development of N.C.C. activities. 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 NCC activities the cadets are also involved in social welfare activities like Plantation, Sanitation, Blood Donation, etc.



*Hon'ble Chief Minister, Orissa distributing prizes to N.C.C. Cadets*

### **31. National Service Scheme:**

National Service Scheme (NSS), a centrally sponsored scheme, is operating in 9 Universities, one Deemed University and Council of Higher Secondary Education with joint funding on 7:5 basis and has a volunteer strength of 90,000 in the State. 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 etc. During the current financial year the State Government have provided a sum of Rs.92,15,625/- in the budget. The volunteers are actively involved in Blood Donation, Plantation, AIDS consciousness etc.



*Blood donation camp organised by N.S.S.*

### **32. 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.

Rover and Ranger is implemented in different colleges jointly by State Government and Bharat Scouts & Guides (Orissa State Branch). This organization has played an important role in shaping the character of the future citizens of the country.

### **33. 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, Orissa 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.

From the date of inception of this Tribunal, 1666 Appeals, 564 GIA cases, 388 MJC's have been disposed of out of 1738 Appeals, 1046 GIA cases and 390 MJC's filed by the end of December, 2007.

### **34. Budget:**

The Budget provision under State Plan and Non-Plan during the year 2007-08 (including Supplementary) was Rs.177.20 crores and Rs.359.05 crores respectively against which the expenditure as on 31.01.2008 comes to Rs.145.00 crores and Rs.293.04 crores respectively.

### **35. Cabinet Sub-Committee:**

A Cabinet Sub-Committee has been constituted under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Rural Development, Industry and Law which is looking into various issues relating to employees of Government, Non-Government Aided and Un-aided colleges and has made some recommendations in its last meeting held on 30.11.2007.





Hon'ble Chief Minister, Orissa Inaugurating Ladies Hostel Building of B.J.B. College.