



RAMAKRISHNA MISSION VIDYAMANDIRA

A RESIDENTIAL AUTNOMOUS COLLEGE WITH CPE STATUS

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ANNUAL QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT

FOR THE SESSION 2009-2010

PART A

The plan of action chalked out at the beginning of the session 2009-2010:

- ⌘ An inspection team constituted by the Calcutta University visited the college on 24.11.08 to consider its application of *Potential for Excellence*. Finally the college has been selected by the University of Calcutta for the same and University has sent the application alongwith its recommendation to UGC for final selection. In fact UGC will call the college administration to Delhi where we have to present our papers to substantiate the claim. This will involve a huge preparation on behalf of the college so that in the interface meeting we become successful to convince the expert committee to be worthy of the 'College with Potential for Excellence Award'
- ⌘ The college has submitted an application for '*Autonomy*' with the University Grants Commission, New Delhi. The requisite 'no objection' certificates from the Calcutta University and State Government have been obtained for the purpose. The UGC will send a Visiting team of experts who after seeing our infrastructure and other requisite things will recommend for Autonomy. This will naturally involve massive infrastructural changes in the college.
- ⌘ Modernising of the hostel kitchen complex e.g. by installation of cooking gas system and other equipments replacing the coal arrangements, is imminent. Such a change will make the kitchen and dining hall more eco-friendly.
- ⌘ Some departments are thinking to organize some seminars, extension lectures etc in the coming academic year mainly focusing on the syllabus of undergraduate and post graduate levels.

- ⌘ Some teachers of certain departments are contemplating to initiate Minor Research Projects under UGC scheme.

PART B

1. ACTIVITIES REFLECTING THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE INSTITUTION :

For students :

- ⌘ With the objective of providing man-making education, as envisaged by Swami Vivekananda, Vidyamandira aims to combine the best of the ancient and modern educational systems. Resident hostel superintendents pay close attention to develop the character of the learners and inculcate humanitarian values in them.
- ⌘ The weekly classes on Spiritual Heritage of India and Ramakrishna Movement, taught by the monks, familiarize the students with the richness of India's spiritual heritage.
- ⌘ To inculcate in the students the spirit of a genuine Vidyarthi, we conduct a unique ceremony for the newly admitted students, Vidyarthi Vrata Homa and Bhratrivarana. This attempts to make the students realize that the principal focus of Vidyarthi should be the acquisition of knowledge and building an all-round personality based on mutual self-respect and unselfishness.
- ⌘ Regular prayers and singing of bhajans, undertaken collectively, during morning and the evening, help the students to understand the importance of self-control and mental concentration during the learning period.

For teachers and staff :

The college organizes a whole-day seminar every year for its teaching and non-teaching staff to orient them to the ideas and ideals of Ramakrishna Movement, the inspiration behind Ramakrishna Mission educational systems.

Outside the Campus :

Every year Vidyamandira organizes youth convention and teachers' conference in the light of Swamiji's educational ideas. Selecting one district of the state, Vidyamandira, in collaboration with Vidyamandira Alumni Association, conducts competitions and seminars for the students and teachers of that district. This year it was the turn of Purba Medinipur district where almost 133 schools and about 1997 students took part. It is noteworthy that a good number of teachers from Vidyamandira along with some senior alumni and monks worked hard to make it a success. They conducted the competitions and acted as the resource persons of the convention.

2. New Academic Programmes initiated :

⌘ Innovations in curricular design and transaction :

The college has no say, beyond offering suggestions, in designing the curriculum, which is the sole prerogative of the University of Calcutta, to which the college is affiliated. However, modes of transaction are constantly monitored and reformulated in order to make the teaching-learning process as effective for students and meaningfully consistent with the goals and objectives of the institution.

In case of post graduate courses, the college, because of its academic autonomy, is designing syllabus and framing the suitable methodology of transaction. We have earlier designed in details the syllabus of two post graduate courses before the commencement of the session. In this current academic session we have designed the syllabus of the Part II the newly started post graduate course in Bengali.

3. Inter-disciplinary programmes started:

We are successfully running the "Colloquium Lectures" programme, where different speakers, mainly our faculty members, deliberate on a topic of their choice and discuss with faculty members from other disciplines. In the year under review, one such lecture have been delivered.

Date	Speaker	Subject
01.08.2009	Darshan Chowdhury(Guest Faculty, Bengali)	<i>Third Theatre O Badal Sarkar</i>
13.04.2009	<i>Sankarshan Kundu</i>	User Interface in Linux

Apart from these, many departments are continuing with and/or have introduced new inter-disciplinary initiatives. Some of them are mentioned below :

⌘ Industrial Chemistry : Teachers of Chemistry, Economics and Computer Science Departments

of the College take classes for the students of 1st yr and 3rd yr.

- ⌘ Sanskrit (M.A.) : Teacher of Bengali Department take classes of Linguistics and Comparative Indian Literature for the students of 1st yr M.A.
- ⌘ Bengali (M.A.) : Head of the Department of Political Science is taking classes in Bengali M.A. and one teacher of Department of Philosophy is laos taking classes in Bengali M.A.

4. Examination reforms implemented :

- a) Since the college is affiliated to Calcutta University which conducts the major examinations, any reform that can be implemented are only limited to the internal assessment processes such as class tests, half yearly or annual examinations. But, as in case of Post Graduate courses, the college has been granted academic autonomy, so the concerned departments have adopted their own examination system.
- b) In case of Undergraduate Courses the departments always try to organise different types of internal tests so that the students do not face any difficulty during final examination.

5. Candidates qualified : NET/SLET/GATE etc.

GATE : Mathematics - 4
CSIR-NET : Mathematics - 1
NET / SET : Sanskrit – 4
WBSSC : Sanskrit – 3 ; Bengali – 1.

6. Initiative towards faculty development programme :

Faculty members, in general, regularly attend seminars, symposia, conferences and workshops at state and national levels apart from the refresher and orientation programmes organized by different universities. In doing these, the teachers select the programmes in a manner so that loss of teaching hours is kept to the minimum since they highly value the importance of classroom interaction. Some specific programmes are mentioned below. Apart from that sometimes teachers are given permission to do their post doctoral course the country and abroad.

SI No	Name of the Teacher	Name of the Dept	Duration of the Programme	Name of the Course
1	S Syed Riaz	Chemistry	31.05.2009 -30.05.2010	Post Doc

7. Total number of seminars/workshops conducted:

A. Special Lectures:

Sl.	Date	Name of	Speaker	Institution & Dept	Topic
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No.		Lectures			
1	7.7.2009	Foundation Day Lecture	Swami Shivamayana da	A senior trustee of the Ramakrishna Mission and Ex-Principal of the college	
2	15.8.2009	Rani Rashmani Memorial Lecture	Dr. Dilip Naha,	Head of the Department of Bengali, Presidency College	``ranl rasmiNr bYi'jtÔ miHma``
3	5.9.2009	Swami Tejasananda Memorial Lecture	Swami Bimalatmanan da	A trustee of the Ramakrishna Math and Mission	ramkâx— imSn: VdâS w ÷itHas
4	28.2.2009	Ambica Sarkar and Jadunath Majumdar Memorial Lecture	Debanjan Sengupta	Physician and Writer	ib̄ anl jgdI ScÆdã bsu: ...kiF punàmUIYayN

B. UGC Sponsored Seminar:

Sl.No.	Date	Name of Seminar	Speaker	Institution & Dept	Topic of the Seminar
1.	2.4.2009	UGC Sponsored	Partha Sen Anirban Kar Amita Majumdar Prabal Chowdhury Brati Sankar Chakraborty	Delhi School of Economics Delhi School of Economics ISI, Kolkata ISI, Kolkata ISI, Kolkata	Quantitative Techniques in Economics
2.	5.5.2009	UGC Sponsored	Mrs Malini Bhattacharya Pabitra Sarkar Partha Pratim Bandyopadhyay Sumita Chakraborty	Chairperson, West Bengal Women Commission Joint President West Bengal Bangla Akademi Former Prof., Dept. of History, Rhishi Bankim Chandra College, Naihati Former Prof., Dept. of Bengali, Burdwan	``maink beÆdaYapaDYaeyr kTa saiHtY: ...kaelr mUIYayNiBi'k ...kiF punàpaf``

			Sadhan Chattopadhyay	University pāKYat kTasaiHitYk	
			Biswabandhu Bhattacharya	Former Prof., Dept. of Bengali, Burdwan University	
3.	19 & 29 February 2010	UGC Sponsored	Aditya Nigam	Fellow, Centre for Study of Developing Societies, Delhi	“Alternative Politics: Another World”
			Sugata Marjit	Director, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata	
			Prasanta Ray	Prof., Dept. of Sociology & Pol.Sc., Presidency College, Kolkata	
			Subhendu Dasgupta	Prof., Dept. of South and South East-Asian Studies, Calcutta University	
			Nabarun Bhattacharya	Eminent Litterateur	
			Dipankar Sinha	Prof. Dept. of Pol.Sc. Calcutta University	
			Sudhir Chakraborty	Visiting Prof., Dept. of Bengali, W.B.S.University	
			Sekhar Samaddar	Prof., Dept. of Bengali, Jadavpur University	
			Samir Kumar Das	Prof., Dept. of Pol.Sc. Calcutta University	
			Sumit Chowdhury	Prof., Dept. of Pol.Sc. Calcutta University	

				Activist, Writer and Film Maker	
4.	23 & 24 February 2010	UGC Sponsored	Aloke Goswami Somesh Chandra Bagchi Amartya Dutta Gadadhar Mishra Abhaypada Baishnab Biswajit Mitra Indranath Sengupta Aloknath Chakraborty Mridul Kumar Sen	ISI, Kolkata ISI, Kolkata ISI, Kolkata IISC, Bangalore Former Prof., B.U. Vivekananda Mahavidyalaya, B.U. RKM Vivekananda University Former Prof., IISC, Bangalore Former Prof., Calcutta University	“Lectures on Algebra, Analysis and their Applications
5.	25 & 26 February 2010	UGC Sponsored	Prof. Debashis Mukherjee Prof. Rabindranath Mukherjee Dr Dilip Kumar Maity Prof. Kankan Bhattacharyya Prof. Animesh Chakraborty Dr. Soumen Hajra Prof. Asutosh Ghosh	IACS, Kolkata IIT Kanpur BAARC, Trombay IACS, Kolkata IACS, Kolkata IIT, Kharagpur C.U. Kolkata IISC, Bangalore	“Frontier Areas of Chemistry- A Modern Perspective”- (in colaboratiion with Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science)

			Prof. Santanu Bhattacharya Prof. Debshankar Ray	IACS, Kolkata	
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C. Departmental Seminar:

Sl.No.	Date	Department	Speaker	Institution & Dept	Topic of the Seminar
1	11.2.2010	Bengali	Dr. Naba Kumar Basu	Renowned Writer	Vmar saiHtYcàca w smerS bsu
2	12.12.2009 19.12.2009 20.2.2010	English	Rimi B. Chatterjee Nabanita Mukherjee Nabanita Mukherjee	Department of English, Jadavpur University Department of English, Bijay Krishna Girls College Department of English, Bijay Krishna Girls College	Workshop on Creative Writing Lecture on the drama : 'Look Back in Anger' Lecture on the novel : 'The Return of the Native'
3	22.12.2009	Pol.Science	Prof Dipesh Chakraborty	A renowned Social Scientist and Prof. of Chicago University	'Nimnoborger Itihas O Rajniti'
4	26.2.2010	Philosophy	Mamata Banerjee	Former Prof., Dept. of Philosophy, Burdwan	Kantian tradition and logical positivism

	24.3.2009		Prof. Kumar Mitra	University Rabindra Bharati University	Chomsky's Language Philosophy
5	14.9.2009	Mathematics	Mr C. S. Aravinda	TIFR, Bangalore (Centre for Applied Mathematics)	"Milestones in the evolution of geometry: from Euclid Pavelman"
6	4.11.2009	Economics	Prof. Subhendu Dasgupta	Retired Prof., Calcutta University	Jim AàTnlit: saÚpãitk pãen
7	22.8.2009	Chemistry	Dr Dibakar Das	Hyderabad University	Synthesis and Characterisation of wide band gap semiconductor for High Performance Electronics & Optoelectronics Application
	1.8.2009		Santanu Maity	Ph.D. Scholar, University of Geneva, Switzerland	Artificial Tounge and leaves
	12.12.2009		Pradip Taraphdar		Drug activity in Biological system
	15.1.2010		Prof Tadhg Begley	Hyderabad School of Chemistry, Hyderabad Texas A & M University, USA	Thiamin biosynthesis: Still yielding sascunating biological chemistry

D. Weekly Seminar:

Sl.No.	Date	Speaker	Institution & Dept	Topic of the Seminar
1	28.3.2009	Prof. Sugata Marjit	Director, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences	Bi¹jmUlk maàg s'lt
2	7.4.2009	Md. Inasuddin	Deputy Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Chief Executive Officer, Nadia District Central Cooperative Bank, West	Organic Farming and Vermiculture

			Bengal	
3	11.7.2009	Dwijendranath Banerjee	United Bank of India, Belur Math Branch	The Himalaya and its Environment (along with Power-point projection of photos)
4	18.7.2009	Dr Manju Banerjee	Retired Prof. of Botany, University of Calcutta & Fellow, National Academy of Science, Allahabad	Environment: Past, Present, and future (along with Power-point projection of photos)
5	29.8.2009	Swami Tapomayananda	Hostel Super-intendent, RKM	iHmaly UmN (Powerpoint Cib sH) (p ² ekdar, eHm kuÆH, BYail AP Pçawyar, rdâlNaT, setapÆH, ikÊr EklaS)
6	9.1.2010	Dr Uday Chaudhury	Prof of Psychiatry at the Medicine Unit of VIMS, Ramakrishna Mission Seva Pratisthan & Senior Consultant, Apollo Gleneagles Hospitals, Kolkata	Psychiatry in the 21 st Century: From patienthood to personhood towards Human Excellence
7	30.1.2010	Nirmalya Roy		Bhajans (Classical)

E. Non-sponsored Departmental One day seminar:

Sl	Date	Department	Speaker	Insitution	Topic
1	17.9.2009	Dept of Bengali	ADYapk eSK mkbul †slam, Sãl SYaml ebra ADYapk dlp«r miLk maelk ic ⁰ kr	esÆF plúsú kYaiThãal imSn kelj, klkata pãitòata sÚpadk, ekalaGaF elaks,,òãit pirxd ramkâx— imSn ibdYamiÆdr ibiSñ pFic ⁰ iSæpl	elaks,,òkãit ib [—] an: Velacnar nana ma ⁰ a pfuiT ...b,, elaksaiHtY: Bartly epãiQt ibBUitBUxeNr saiHetY elakayt jlbndàSn pFuya gan

8. Research Projects :

Newly Implemented / Continuing: .

Grant recd from:/on	Sl. No. & Purpose for the grant	Subject	Approved amt.
	Minor Research Projects		
15.9.2009	(B) Prithwiraj Biswas	"Exploring the unconventional: Advertisements as sources of History in colonial India"	92,000/-
15.9.2009	(C) Dipankar Mallik	"Bangla Upanyase Janojati Samaj O Sanskriti"	1,47,000/-

Other Minor Research Projects, sanctions for which were obtained earlier and which are still continuing are those of Arup Kumar Dhabal (Phil), Subrata Roy Chowdhury (English), Debasis Jana (Chem), Santanu Dey (Hist) & Ashim Kumar Choudhury (Phil).

9. Patents Generated, if any: Nil

10. New collaborative research programmes : Nil

11. Research grants received from various agencies :Rs. 2,41,000.00

12. Details of research scholars: Nil.

13. Citation index of faculty members and impact factor :

Not known.

14. Honors / Awards to the faculty :

Nil.

15. Internal resources generated :

⌘ A number of examinations, using the infrastructure of the college, are conducted in our premises. This includes the IIT Joint Entrance Examination, JBNSTS Examination.

⌘ The auditorium of our college, the Vivekananda Sabhagriha, is occasionally used by other institutions viz. Ramakrishna Mission Saradapitha, Ramakrishna Mission Shilpamandira Computer Centre etc. A token maintenance charge is collected from them. The United Bank of India, Belur Math Branch, located in our campus along with its ATM counter, generates a monthly Licence Fees to the college. Our spacious and well-maintained playground, sometimes used by another local college (M.C.Kejriwal Engineering College) and a pond in the campus leased out for fish-breeding, also help us earn some revenues.

⌘ The college teachers are regularly applying for Minor Research Project grants. The grants, sanctioned by the UGC, enable them to purchase computers, and other accessories which

become the property of the college once the Project is completed.

16. Details of departments getting SAP, COSIST (ASSIST) /DST, FIST, etc. : Nil

17. Community services :

The college has an active **National Cadet Corps** (NCC)Unit attached to the 21 Bengal Battalion. A total of 130 cadets-- 108 students of 1st yr, 20 students of 2nd yr and 2 students of 3rd year-- under the supervision of Lt *Arup Kumar Dhabal* (ANO) and *Swami Tapomayananda*, constitute the NCC unit. A large number of students appeared/ are due to appear for the B and C certificate examinations. 36 students joined the CATC Camp at Barrackpur in October 2009.

The *Armed Forces Flag Day Collection* drive, undertaken by the NCC cadets of 1st yr, fetched a total collection of Rs 20,666/-., a record todate. The cadets also participated in college functions held on the occasion of Independence Day (15 August 2009), Republic Day (26 August 2009) and Annual Sports Meet (22 January 2010).

The **National Service Scheme** (NSS) unit comprising 69 volunteers conducted the following activities (1) Cleaning of gardens, class-rooms and verandahs of the college (3) Blood donation camp organized on 13 September 2009 in collaboration with the Haemophilia Society of India drew a total of 94 donors (5) Distribution of clothes, exercise books and pens to poor children before the Durga Puja to 180 students (6) First Aid Training, imparted by the Indian Academy of Health & Hygiene and attended by a total of 157 students. (7) Joining the 'Red Ribbon Club' West Bengal, a flagship project of National Aids Control Organization, implemented by West Bengal Voluntary Blood Donors' Forum—100 students (8) Celebrating World Aids Day (9) Sensitization Workshop for Peer Educators: a Seminar organized on 13 Jan 2010. (9) 5 students of the NSS 2nd Yr joined the National Integration Camp of the Nehru Yuva Kendra and NSS at Kohima, Nagaland, along with 2 monastic members. (10) No. of articles received from the CU for the NSS unit of the college: Trolley, two stretchers, plastic bins, badges, caps, scarfs, diaries etc.

18. Teachers and officers newly recruited: Nil

19. Teaching- Non-teaching staff ratio:

<i>Present teaching strength</i>	41
<i>Present Non-teaching staff</i>	22
<i>Present Teaching & Non-teaching Ratio</i>	41 : 22

20. Improvements in the Library Services:

New books / journals subscribed and their value :

No of New books purchased during the session : 1108

Valuation of the total new books purchased during the session : Rs. 2,33,752.00

No of Journals purchased during the session : 85

Valuation of the total journals purchased during the session : Rs. 66,394.00

21. Courses in which student assessment of teachers is introduced and the action taken on student feedback :

Each student gives a feedback on all the courses taught to him by each teacher. The feedback is taken in absence of the teachers directly on to a computer and the absolutely free response given by them is processed statistically by the computer itself with an in-built program developed by one monastic faculty. A copy of this summary analysis is given to each teacher. The department then discusses these feedbacks and communicates to the Principal about the action taken on behalf of the faculty. This applies to all the departments.

1. Unit cost of education :

The unit cost of education is calculated, for the Financial Year 200-2010 as under:

Total Expenditure/ No. of students = Rs. 3,27,89,183.00 / 556 = Rs. 58,973.35 per year.

2. Computerization of administration and the process of admissions and examination results, issue of certificates :

At Vidyamandira, a major part of the administration process has been computerized. The admission notification alongwith the prospectus and application form was put on the web site. The admission results have been also fully computerized. The College Leaving Certificate for B.A./B.Sc. 3rd Yr., the certificates issued to the Teachers/ Research Scholars attending U.G.C.-sponsored Seminars in the college and the mark-sheets of different internal and post graduate examinations are prepared and printed on the office computers.

3. Increase in infrastructural facilities

Major works undertaken during the last year are as follows:

- (i) **College Campus:** (a) Construction of the 'Asha-Jyoti Conference Hall' on the 2nd floor of the Library Building, complete with sound system, airconditioning system, lights and chairs. (b) Painting work in the Physics Dept. (c) New Gate and fencing behind the Chemistry Building.
- (ii) **Auditorium Campus:** (a) Painting of verandahs and exterior (b) Setting up of 1 HP submersible pump (c) Link-chain enclosure constructed around the auditorium garden to prevent encroachment.
- (iii) **Hostel Campus:** Shraddha Bhavan (painting and repairs), Shraddha Bhavan (Windows provided with RCC slabs as sunshades), Vivek Bhavan (Replacement of damaged night-soil sewer lines).

26. Computer and internet access and training to teachers and students :

For the last few years the college has been conducting the 'Computer Awareness' Course at a separate laboratory set up with the financial assistance of the MPLADS scheme. The college has taken a broadband connection which via the college LAN has extended the Internet access to office, library, physics and chemistry departments apart from the existing faculty computer room and the two students' computer laboratories. The students are being regularly given training in basics of computers and internet as in other years. The knowledgeable colleagues are informally training teachers who are not acquainted with computers and Internet.

27. Financial aid to students :

- ⌘ No. of students received scholarship : 263
- ⌘ Scholarship amount awarded from college and from other sources (through college) :
Rs. 23,57,250/- per annum

28. Activities and support from the Alumni Association :

- ⌘ Alumni Association has awarded scholarships of Rs. 1,49,000/- to 17 current students.
- ⌘ Association actively took part in organizing and conducting Vivekananda Sammelan in Purba Medinipur district along with Vidyamandira.
- ⌘ Alumni Association provided Rs 15500/- as scholarship to 5 students who has passed out from this college in the last session for higher studies.
- ⌘ Association publishes a half yearly news bulletin for the alumni.
- ⌘ Association also gives Swami Tejasananda Memorial Awards to the Best All-rounder of the college in each session.

- ⌘ Alumni Association organizes Swami Tejasananda Memorial Quiz competition among the students of college and universities.

29. **Activities and support from the Parent-Teacher Association:**

- ⌘ Our college does not have a formal Parent-Teacher Association. But we organize, once a year, a Parent-Teachers' Meeting when the parents of the different students can discuss with the teachers of the respective departments and discuss freely the academic problems and their possible remedies as well as the performance of the students at the classes and examinations. Almost all the guardians of the students of undergraduate courses attended the meeting. The concerned subject teachers discussed with the guardians on the academic matters and asked their suggestions for the academic improvement of an individual student as well as of the college. The attendance of the guardians and teachers are recorded in every department and the departmental teachers keep record of the suggestions provided by the guardians.
- ⌘ Apart from this our monastic superintendents regularly meet the guardians and give necessary advice for the welfare of the learners and at the same time receive the feedback from them.

30. **Health services :**

- ⌘ We have one medical room where doctors come thrice a week in the evening.
- ⌘ There is one charitable dispensary very close to the college campus run by Ramakrishna Math & Ramakrishna Mission, Belur Math where specialist physicians are available in the morning and pathological tests and other clinical tests are also done.
- ⌘ Shramajivi Hospital is another health service available for the students and resident staff. Whenever any serious health problem arises, students are taken to this hospital.
- ⌘ Ramakrishna Mission Sevapratisthan is an esteemed hospital in Calcutta where students are taken in more serious condition or for more acute diseases.

31. **Performance in sports activities**

As in previous years, the indoor and outdoor games were conducted smoothly and successfully. Students participated enthusiastically in carom, table-tennis, badminton, volleyball, football, cricket and athletics events. Sri Dilip Pal, ex-footballer was the Chief Guest of the prize distribution held after the Tejasananda Memorial Cricket match. The Annual Athletics Meet was held on 22 January 2010. The prizes were given away by Md. Masidur Rahman Baidya, renowned swimmer.

The **District Athletics Meet and Football Championship** among the non-govt. colleges of Howrah District was organized at our playground this year. A total of 135 athletes [84 Men + 51 Women] participated in the *District Athletics Meet* [from 11 institutions]. Our college was adjudged the *Champion College* (among boys) in the Athletics Meet on the basis of prizes (ranks) won by the following students: Asim Das (High Jump 1st; Long Jump 3rd), Vivekananda Duary (Long Jump 1st), Subhadeep Biswas (Javelin 1st), Suwendu Karak (200 mt, 2nd). Sri Deep Dasgupta, renowned cricketer and Sri Samir Dasgupta, sports administrator were present on this occasion. 10 college teams participated in the District Football Championship. Sri Satyajit Chatterjee was present as the Chief Guest of the District Football Meet. Our special thanks to Sw Arunatmananda, Sri Bikash Chatterjee and other staff members for the efficient conducting of different sports activities.

32. Incentive to outstanding sportspersons:

Nil.

33. Student achievements and awards :

Undergraduate:

The performance of our Honours students at C.U. **Part III Exam (2009)** is summarized below:
(Ranks within 1-10 provided)

HONOURS SUBJECT	POSITION (RANKS) OBTAINED IN 2009
Physics Honours	5, 6(Jt), 7
Chemistry Honours	5,6,7,9
Microbiology Honours	
Mathematics Honours	4,7
Sanskrit Honours	3 (Jt)
English Honours	—
Bengali Honours	—
History Honours	—
Economics Honours	9 (Jt)
Political Science Honours	—
Philosophy Honours	7, 8(Jt)

The synopsis of the results of entrance tests to different institutes in 2009 are:

1. IIT JAM (Entrance to M.Sc. courses)

Department	No of students appeared	No of students qualified	Ranks within 50
Chemistry	30	27	6, 8 15 (two students), 21, 25, 36, 38, 39, 40, 41

Physics	24	20	12, 41, 42, 46, 47
Mathematics Math & ASI	11	11	1, 2, 28, 48
Microbiology	7	1	

2. Other examinations for entrance to Integrated Ph.D., M.Sc. and M.A. courses

<u>Students of Mathematics Hons :</u> Vivekananda University : 5 ISI (Bangalore) :1 CMI : 2 IMSc : 2 TIFR Mumbai : 1 TIFR Bangalore : 3 IISC Bangalore : 3 Ecole Polytechnic, France : 1	<u>Students of Physics Hons :</u> HRI : 2 TIFR Mumbai : 3 IMSc : 1 ISM : 3 (10, 26, 43) SNBose : 3
<u>Students of Chemistry Hons :</u> IISc Bangalore : 2 IACS, Kolkata : 1	<u>Students of Microbiology Hons:</u> WBUT : 1
<u>Students of Computer Applications Major :</u> NIT : 1 Vivekananda University : 3	<u>Students of Industrial Chemistry Major:</u> Sardar Patel University : 6
<u>Students of English Hons :</u> University of Hyderabad : 3 <u>Students of History Hons :</u> Jadavpur University : 2	<u>Students of Economics Hons :</u> Gokhale Institute: 1 University of Hyderabad : 2 Madras School of Economics : 2 JNU : 2, Delhi School of Economics : 2

34. Activities of Guidance and Counselling unit :

We have two committees of Teachers' Council, Academic Counselling and Guidance Committee and Personal Counselling and Guidance Committee. On the advice of the academic counselling committee, many of the departments have notified a schedule giving the availability of each teacher during a week for academic counselling and guidance. Being a residential college, the students also approach the faculty members, especially the monastic members for guidance and counselling beyond this schedule

35. Placement Services provided to students :

Although, in previous years the students of this college availed the scope of placement service and had good jobs therefrom, but in this year no student showed any interest to go for the job, rather there preferred to go for higher education.

36. **Development programmes for the non-teaching staff :**

There are a total of 23 full-time non-teaching employees in the college. Besides this there are 7 management-appointed full-time non-teaching staff and 2 contractual employees. Every year there is a day-long seminar on Indian Cultural & Spiritual Heritage and the Ramakrishna Vivekananda Movement in which the (teaching and) non-teaching staff members participate. The non-teaching and teaching staff of the college and the mess staff of the hostel listened to the discourses by the monastic members and professors on philosophical and religious matters.

37. **Healthy practices of the institution :**

Promoting value-based education, social responsibilities and good citizenry

- ⌘ Apart from the university prescribed syllabus, we have a course on spiritual heritage of India which runs over all the three years of student life in this institution.
- ⌘ The college has an active NCC Unit, attached to the 21 Bengal Battalion (Saradapitha campus).
- ⌘ The National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers were engaged in different activities.

Sensitivity to changing educational, social and market demands

- ⌘ Many of our students, especially students from the Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Economics try to do their Masters' degree in prestigious national institutes like IITs, TIFR, IISc, ISI, JNU, DSE etc. The number is increasing over the recent years due to the sincere efforts of the faculty members. The faculty members help the aspiring students to get through a very different type of entrance examination.
- ⌘ We have a system of "Open House" where students and teachers interact freely to discuss anything to improve academic standards for many departments like History, Economics, Bengali etc.
- ⌘ Various departments like Bengali, History, English and Economics screen films directly/indirectly related to the subjects taught in the syllabus.
- ⌘ The students are encouraged to participate in many important seminar/lectures held outside.
- ⌘ The Major courses in Industrial Chemistry and Computer Applications have within their curriculum the component of 'On-the-job Training'. During this year the students went to H R Johnson, ACC and ISI for this purpose.

Promoting an ambience of creativity and innovation

Vidyamandira has a very rich tradition of cultural activities. Apart from its own arranged cultural competitions and festivals, the students go to take part in different competitions

outside.

**Performance of Vidyamandira students in Off Campus Competition
during 2009-2010 (up to February 2010)**

Name of the students	Year	Name of the Competition	Held at	Rank Secured
Sourav Mondal	1 st	Debate (Sanskrit)	Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Golpark	1 st , (for the motion)
Amiya Kumar Satpati	1 st , M.A.	Debate (Sanskrit)	Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Golpark	2 nd , (against the motion)
Rubel Pal		Debate (Sanskrit)	Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Golpark	3 rd , (for the motion)
Sourav Mondal Ankan Ghosh Anindya Sundar Polley	3 rd 3 rd 3 rd	Quiz competition	Udbodhan, Bagbazar	1 st
Sayan Chatterjee Sukankan Roy Soumya Roy	2 nd 2 nd 1 st	Quiz competition	Udbodhan, Bagbazar	2 nd
Atin Kumar Jash Subhojit Dolui Arnab Mukherjee	3 rd 2 nd 1 st	Quiz competition	Udbodhan, Bagbazar	3 rd
Dibyendu Das	3 rd	Essay Competition	Udbodhan, Bagbazar	1 st
Srijan Ghosh	3 rd	Essay Competition	Udbodhan, Bagbazar	2 nd
Koushik Mondal	3 rd	Essay Competition	Udbodhan, Bagbazar	3 rd
Subhro Dutta Buddeswar Rao Sandipan Pal	1 st 1 st 1 st	Quiz competition	VYC, BESU, Howrah	2 nd
Premashis Manna Ankan Ghosh Soumya Sen	3 rd 3 rd 3 rd	Quiz competition	Presidency College	3 rd

38. Linkages developed with National / International, Academic / Research bodies :

- ❧ The linkages developed in 2004-05 are continuing. Apart from official linkages initiated and operated by MOU, the college has many effective unofficial linkages with the institutes of higher learning and other concerns. Among these we may mention the name of ACC and H R

Johnson which provide On-the-Job training to our students with lodging and food free of cost. ISI Computer and Mathematics departments also unofficially help us in teaching providing some scholars in the concerned field. The same facility is being provided by Calcutta University Chemical Engineering Department and Information Technology Department for the students of Industrial Chemistry and Computer Application. Sahitya Academy, Kolkata chapter is very much cooperative in organizing seminars, workshops etc at our college campus.

- As our college ever emphasizes upon the merit and character, it is found that every year a number of poor but good boys are getting admitted to this institution. The college administration imbued with the ideal of service feels it as privilege to provide them with the scholarships on need basis. But, we gratefully acknowledge the assistance given by some institutes years together in this respect.

Any other relevant information the institution wishes to add :

PART C

PLAN FOR THE NEXT YEAR

- The college has been awarded the 'College with potential for Excellence' status by UGC on 15.10.2010.**
This will involve now a heavy planning and implementation thereafter of all the projects submitted to UGC. Hence, the college has already many meeting among themselves aiming at to develop the infrastructural facilities of the college. Now, what we need is to implement it practically and monitor it time to time.
- The college has been conferred upon the 'Autonomy' status by UGC on 21.06.2010.** Thus all the departments of the college have to start the process of revising their syllabus, especially according to semester system which the college has decided to adopt under autonomy. This will involve a huge task for all the departments and college administration.
- The college has to set up a more effective and organized Examination cell which was already in existence as the college was running autonomous post graduate courses. But, as the number of students will be more, the cell will need more office staff to run the examination system.
- Some departments are thinking to organize some seminars, extension lectures etc in the coming academic year mainly focusing on the syllabus of undergraduate and post graduate levels.