



SRI MEENAKSHI GOVERNMENT ARTS COLLEGE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS), MADURAI – 625 002

Re-Accredited with “A” Grade in 3rd CYCLE by NAAC

INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

Sri Meenakshi Government Arts College for Women (Autonomous) Madurai, established in the year 1965 has had an impressive track record since its inception. Having crossed a milestone in 2015 with the celebration of Golden Jubilee, it continues its academic journey loaded with a vision of empowering women folk through higher education. With this singular purpose, the college continues to move forward mobilizing and galvanizing all possible resources to achieve the goal. The status by way of NAAC accreditation and NIRF rating

inspired the faculty and administrative staff to give their best which in turn resulted in quality enhancements in the areas of academics, sports, and cultural activities. The college was accredited with Four Star Level in the First cycle in 2000, subsequently in 2006, in the second cycle, it was further accredited with B++ level. The third cycle in 2014 was another milestone as it was accredited with an A level. The institution is now poised to enter into the fourth cycle aiming still higher with its innovation in teaching-learning, skill enhancement, and research as well.

The students who are entering the portal of the institution hail from economically challenged stratum in and around the temple city. Most of them being first-generation learners they are also bound by cultural barriers like early marriage and childbearing. That becomes a great impediment in their lives. With this complex challenge, the college strives to provide a holistic higher education through a learner-centered approach. Reinforcing academic and curricular domains with co-curricular and extra-curricular activities the teacher fraternity motivates the students to make use of this platform to attain employability. Prizes for both curricular and co-curricular activities serve as a motivational factor, instilling in them a thirst for knowledge. The government of Tamil Nadu extends

financial assistance through various scholarships that enable the students to overcome their financial constraints. The tuition fee waiver offered by the government offers not only an additional support to the students seeking higher education but also reduces drop-outs. A dedicated galaxy of well-qualified faculty members renders all possible support in empowering them. Students are made aware of employment opportunities through various programmes organized by individual departments, IQAC, and Career Guidance Cell. Computer Literacy Programme offered as an integrated learning skill but outside the curricular hours helps them hone technical skills.

The vibrant IQAC, Alumni, PTA, and exemplary work done by the various committees bring the College to the forefront in various fields and materialize the concept of holistic development of the individuals. The performance of our students in examination is exceptional in spite of the fact that the majority of them have a rural background. The secret to success is due to the remedial teaching which is undertaken to cater to the needs of slow learners. Mentoring has also helped the students to get rid of academic and stress-related problems. Value-based education aims at training the students to face the outer world with the right attitude. It is a process of overall personality development of a student which includes Character development, Personality development, Citizenship

development, and Spiritual development. The value education classes also imbibe the students with the highest set of morals and values and Civic Responsibilities in the hearts of girl children, who are the mothers of the younger generation of the future. Giving importance to maintaining trees and plants on the campus Special Coaching classes are also imparted to students to appear for competitive exams. Yoga and meditation sessions have helped the students to have a healthy mind in a healthy body. Besides, academics our students have brought laurels to the Institution by excelling in various sports and cultural programmes both at State and Inter-Collegiate levels, community service through N.S.S., and various Cells and Clubs. This Institution is unique and occupies a place of honour to find

our alumni well placed in all walks of life. Our Institution promises to act as a catalyst to bring about a positive change in the minds of stakeholders for the upliftment of mankind and the safety of the environment. The college which is enjoying the fruits of autonomy for the past 23 years continuously strives for curricular excellence by incorporating courses to suit the needs of the 21st century. Another unique feature of the college is its students' council whose representatives are selected in a democratic manner by conducting student elections. Students through their NSS activity do community work and are asked to stay in remote areas through special camps and try to figure out their problems and provide initiatives through awareness programmes. Apart from NSS, NCC,

YRC, and Sports the students showcase their talents, and the College is actively involved in extension activities. The Vision and Mission of the College as well as the spirit of compassion, kinship, and commitment to national harmony among students are being continuously upheld. The college strives continuously for excellent educational service and is a good role model for the community as it provides holistic education to develop skills, knowledge, and values.