



JAHNVIS MULTI FOUNDATION'
VANDE MATARAM DEGREE COLLEGE
OF ARTS, COMMERCS & SCIENCE

DISTINCTIVENESS

7.3_Portray the performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its priority and thrust within 1000 words

Education alone can create a changed society. Helping the learning students financially shall be a major goal to ensure equitable growth and development of the society. Vande Mataram Degree College of Arts, Commerce & Science has the dedicated motto of **“Supporting deserving students financially through Scholarships & Freeships as well as through structural supports”**, which is considered as a distinctive functional area of the institution.

VMDC acknowledges that the socio-economic disparities should not hinder deserving students from pursuing higher education. The students are largely the first generation learners who are financially and socially deprived categories. Therefore, the College provides abundant financial support to ensure that no student will stop education due to the financial constraints. Thousands of students avail the financial benefits under various schemes offered by the institution and the Governments.

1. Availing of Government Scholarships

Below given are the scholarships offered by the Government of India and State Government of Maharashtra that are availed by several categories of downtrodden students admitted in the College.

- Government of India Post-Matric Scholarship
- Post-Matric Tuition Fee and Examination Fee (Freeship)
- Rajarshi Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj Shikshan Shulkh Shishyavrutti Scheme
- State Government Open Merit Scholarship
- State Minority Scholarship Part II (DHE)
- Post Matric Scholarship to OBC Students
- Post Matric Scholarship to SBC Students
- Tuition Fees and Examination Fees to SBC Students
- Tuition Fees and Examination Fees to VJNT Student

- Post Matric Scholarship Scheme (Government Of India)

The students are fully supported by the College to apply for these financial schemes available that enable access to the economically backward categories to learn and succeed academically and to pursue their career aspirations. Dedicated staff members are available in the College office to assist the students with the scholarship process, do follow up and ensure that the students avail the financial resources required for their educational accomplishments.

2. Provision of Institutional Scholarships:

The development of all categories of students is the goal of our college. To achieve this goal, the College has institutionalized financial assistance to the needy students in the form of "Institutional Scholarships." The management provides Scholarship & Freeship to students who are financially weak, physically challenged, lost the parents, as well as others deserving support in order to position themselves in the competitive world.

The College gives scholarships or freeships under the following categories:

- JMF Scholarship

Under this scholarship scheme, the management helps the girl students and students with single parent. This facility is given to such students irrespective of their getting government scholarship. Students shall apply for this using the printed application form available in the College Office.

- JMF Students Welfare Scholarship

VMDC gives 50% remission in the college fees to handicapped and orphaned Children.

Duly filled printed application forms along with the documentary evidences should be submitted in the College Office for getting this benefit.

- JMF All India Level Scholarship

This is a Merit Scholarship given to the toppers in all the batches of UG & PG Programmes.

More than 80% Marks – Rs.2000

More than 75% Marks – Rs. 1500

More than 70% Marks – RS. 1000

Scholarships, including fee concessions, support for disabled students, acknowledgment of academic excellence and assistance for economically disadvantaged students are granted based on students' diverse needs. Needy students who face unique individual challenges are eligible for various educational concessions.

Many students are assisted and guided to get scholarships from various Charitable Trusts & NGOs for which college gives required letters and testimonials. The concessions and tuition fee waivers are awarded to students based on their overall conduct, academic progress, class attendance and financial circumstances.

During the Covid-19 pandemic, many students and their families encountered severe financial difficulties, which caused tremendous disruption to both society and individual life. As a result, many students considered stopping their education. Many students struggled to pay their tuition fees due to family troubles and personal losses. Seeing how serious the problem was, the management made the decision to give more scholarships and more fee exemptions, allowing students to get out the situation without having any negative effects on their academic record.

In the academic year 2022-23, more than 1350 students have benefitted from the Scholarships and financial welfare measures under the Governmental and institutional scholarship schemes available to students. Over the period of five years from 2018-19 to 2022-23, more than 6000 students have benefitted from the Institutional and Governmental Scholarship schemes. Year after year, the benefits provided are increasing. This increasing benefits offered to students ensure that the student community receives financial support during challenging times, guaranteeing uninterrupted access to quality education.

Admission to any student was never denied for want of money. Economically backward students are facilitated to take admission by paying even less than 5% of the programme fee. Multiple instalments facility is also provided to students enabling convenience in fee payment. Students from distant places too select this College for the support that we give for achieving education.