

REPORT OF ACADEMIC AUDIT

11-03-2019

Virudhunagar Hindu Nadars' Senthikumara Nadar College (Autonomous), Virudhunagar volunteered for ACADEMIC AUDIT by an expert committee. The team comprised of **Dr.S.Sudhakar**, Professor, Department of Biotechnology, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, **Dr.S.Venkatesan**, Department of Environmental Science, Periyar University, **Dr.R.Ganesan**, Principal, P.K.N.Arts & Science College, Tirumangalam, **Dr.R.Sudha Periathai**, Dean of Academic Affairs, S.F.R.College for Women, Sivakasi. The members visited the college on 11th March, 2019. The team interacted with the representatives of Management and Governing Council. The members also interacted with the Principal, Co-ordinator – IQAC, Deans, Controller of Examinations, Teaching staff, Non-teaching staff, students, Librarian, Officials/ Office bearers in-charge of various curricular and co-curricular activities. The committee also visited all the departments. The committee's assessment is given below:

The College has a well-defined Vision and Mission statement and it is communicated to all its stakeholders. The College is striving hard to achieve its aims and objectives through physical, intellectual, psychological, social and spiritual development of students. The College has Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) to provide flexibility to students to secure credits in a variety of subjects in major, allied and inter-disciplinary subjects according to the aptitude and requirement of the students. Almost all Departments offer Self-learning Subjects and the students who complete them successfully are given extra credits. The curricula of various courses are designed to cater to the industrial requirements and to foster the holistic growth of the students. There is also a system to collect feedback from the students on the course, teachers and on the

infrastructural facilities of the college. Further, feedbacks are also obtained from the staff on their respective Head of the Department and on the Principal.

It gives top priority to first generation learners, toppers in rural schools and sports person, in admissions. Preference is given to poor and disadvantaged students. No donations are solicited or expected. The slow learners are identified and are provided with extra coaching classes outside the college working hours and extra tests are also conducted to them. Apart from the traditional methods of teaching and class room interaction, group discussions, browsing, industrial and field trips, seminar and workshops are encouraged for independent learning. LCD projectors are also used as modern teaching aids. Placement and other training programmes are arranged for the better employment opportunities of the students.

There is a healthy relationship among the management, teaching and non teaching staff and students. The overall ambience and the initiatives taken by the institution are very good and conducive for promoting quality higher education.

Recommendations

- The research activities in certain departments like Zoology, Business Administration, Microbiology and Mathematics need to be strengthened.
- It is desirable to draw a prospective plan of development for academic expansion and infrastructure augmentation for the next 5 – 10 years.
- More library time to the learners be provided by extending the working hours.
- Faculty may be encouraged to submit more research projects to the funding agencies.
- The College may explore the possibilities of collaborating with research institution of high standards

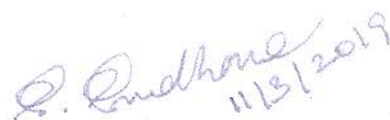
- New programmes related to women empowerment may be started
- The management may motivate the Tamil, History and Economics Departments to upgrade as Research Departments as they have the potential for it.
- Equal weightage may be given to Value added courses like Core courses
- For Women Studies curriculum may be designed by drawing experts from Mother Teresa Women University
- The current students may also be included as members in the Boards of Studies to represent the present day need of the students
- Each department may make a profile of the students to keep record of the academic performance of the students, their attendance, achievements and deficiencies.
- The institution may take initiatives to arrange coaching for competitive examinations and NET/SET.
- Computer Science Departments may take special care to get their students placed in reputed companies with attractive package.
- Each department may be encouraged to prepare e-learning resources related to their subjects
- The Controller of Examinations Office may take steps to introduce e-assessment in all programmes.
- The Dean Internal may take the institution towards continuous assessment system.
- The college office may be fully automated and the staff members in the office may be given special training in the use of computers and maintaining records.
- Each department can plan to have more innovative course in their curriculum.

- The Department of English may conduct Spoken English courses for the students and non-teaching staff to enhance their communication skills in English.
- Green Audit has to be conducted in the campus by the institution to minimize the use of conventional energy sources and exploit the available non conventional energy sources.

The team expresses its sincere gratitude for the hospitality and co-operation extended by the Management, Principal, Faculty, Non-teaching staff and Students enabling the team to complete this academic exercise successfully.



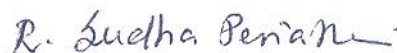
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