

Institutional Distinctiveness

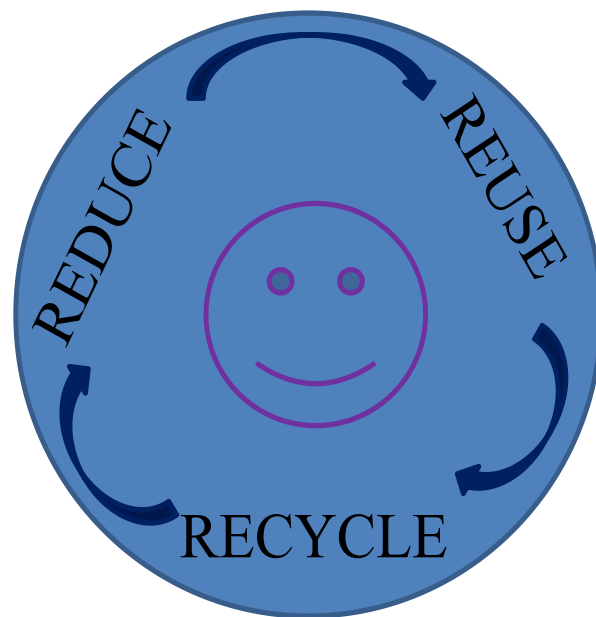
The performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision: As Raidighi College is co-educational and situated in a rural area in the Sundarban sub-divisional area, our major objective has always been to equip the underprivileged youth of this rural community with the latest academic advancements, requirements and market demands through innovative techniques and practices.

As the college firmly believes that quality education is everybody's right and such exposure can uplift the entire community, 16 departments through Honours & General programmes (B.A. BLIS, and B.Sc.) and 2 Masters courses (MSc, MA, MLIS) involving three Universities (CU, RBU, NSOU), have been in effect. Among all the admitted rural students, the college provides concessional admission to all girls, and minority students as per the direction of the University and the WB Government. College also helps girl students to get different type to scholarship (National Scholarship, Kanyashree scholarship) provided by the Government. A remarkable enhancement in enrolment for girl students (in fact surpassed the boys enrolment) has been observed after the Girls' hostel inauguration.

Gender sensitization programmes, several awareness programmes related to vector-borne diseases, pregnancy associated health issues, peace rallies, awareness campaigns on child-trafficking, suicidal tendencies, mental depression related issues, right of democracy – all these create an ethos in the surrounding localities via different organized lectures/seminars, sports competition, and NSS activities in our college. Students participate with full enthusiasm in each of these programmes as co-curricular and extra-curricular activities of the college. Altogether, the college provides quality education and opportunities for intellectual and emotional growth through different programmes for overall community development which are relevant and responsive to the needs of the rural and educationally backward society of this region of this state.

The performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its priority: Raidighi College gives priority to promote education for poor students and girls students of rural background with special emphasis on backward classes and minority communities. It is noteworthy to mention here that our college prioritize to make them a good human being for the future, and train them to adapt any adverse situation, either mental, physical, economical, as well as natural. The rural background students can't afford their education in the urban colleges.

3. The performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its thrust: We are fortunate to have distinguished faculty members. It has been our unanimous decision to thrust upon to make an exemplary **green campus** in this rural area. Accordingly, we conserve natural resources like water and biodiversity, optimize energy efficiency, manage waste (REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE), REFUSE-Plastics, and educate the local community about climate change and sustainability while addressing the overall growth and development index of the students.



Finally, this NAAC accredited college, despite being located in a remote area, amidst first generation learners, Cyclone-threats (*Ayla*, 2019; *Amphan*, 2020) and several other hurdles, stands committed to the overall growth and development of the surrounding area.