

## **GOPABANDHU SCIENCE COLLEGE, ATHGARH**

### **INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS**

Gopabandhu Science college was established with the principle of fostering academic excellence, intellectual growth and holistic development. Currently, the institute is offering degree courses in 5 honours subjects in the science faculty, in 8 honours subjects in Arts faculty and in 1 honours subject in commerce faculty, in compliance with the rules and regulations laid down by Govt. of Odisha. The present student strength of this institute is around 1000. The institute is situated in a sprawling area with lush green plantations, which offers conducive ambience to foster the academic activities. The excellent infrastructure of the institute in the form of state of art class room, advanced laboratories, and hostels also elevate the learning experience of the students and contribute to their academic pursuits. The students of this institute have demonstrated their academic excellence in different platforms inside and outside the state. A number of erstwhile students of this institute have also received international acclamations in their chosen fields. It is evident that the institute has established itself as a beacon of excellence in providing undergraduate education. The institute is also resolute in providing further opportunities to students for their holistic development and to enable and empower them to meet the demands of modern age. In this line, the college is planning to open post-graduate courses for the students and thereby, provide a platform to the students of the locality to pursue their higher studies, as there is a dearth of scope in this locality.

The college is committed to promoting local culture and heritage and in this light the college organized a number of activities like visit to spots of cultural and historical importance of the locality, discussion on safeguarding the heritage spots etc. The college also encourages the students to promote the local textile culture by wearing Maniabandh handloom products.

The college is also committed to making this environment sustainable and conducive for the posterity. In this regard, the college has taken a number of initiatives like green campus, use of renewable energy, water harvesting, effort of carbon neutrality, plantation, hazardous waste management, e-waste management etc, in line with the sustainable development goals. Earnest efforts are put to meet the desired outcomes under direct supervision of the Principal and committees concerned.