

GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE, ETURNAGARAM

MULUGU DISTRICT – 506165

(ACCREDITED WITH 'B' GRADE BY NAAC)

Institutional Distinctiveness

The institution was sanctioned by Government of Andhra Pradesh in 2007 solely for the welfare of tribal people of this agency area. At present the institute has completed 14 years of valuable service in academics and administration. As most of the students belong to tribal communities higher education has become the main prerogative. Uneducated parents unaware of the fruits of education resort to the extreme step of getting their daughters married at a very young age and sending the boys and girls for agriculture labor at the cost of discontinuing college education.

The institute primarily focuses on education to the students of this tribal area. Particularly this Eturnagaram agency area consists of KOYA tribal community. The distinctiveness of this community is they prefer to live in mall hamlets of 20 to 25 families in the forest. They hardly make contact with the other community, this is the first generation of students who are coming out of their hamlets for the study. Only few students are able to go for higher studies because of their parental support and their self-confidence to cope with challenges of life in new places/cities. But most of the students though eager to continue their education are unable to join P.G courses because of various restraints – social, economic, distance and communication barriers. Keeping in view of these difficulties the institute has planned to extend academic facilities with the support of CCETS and University authorities. Construction of new building under RUSA is almost completed and P.G Courses are to be introduced by next academic year. These academic and infrastructural facilities are improved solely keeping in view the empowerment of Tribal people of this agency area through education. As the institute is having Boys hostel for Tribal students within in the college premises we are also planning accommodation to girl students on the campus by constructing a new girls' hostel on the campus with the financial support of both central and state governments.

The institute with a burden to protect the rights of women has been encouraging girl students to take admission in the college and has been protecting them in all matters possible. The institute in collaboration with Field Outreach Bureau, Warangal under Ministry of Information and Broadcasting GOI, has a MoU on welfare schemes related to health and hygiene of women. Local ICDS Officials visits the college on different occasions to empower girl students on various issues related to their academic, personal and social lives. Thus with these objectives the institute would transform into a mini-university in this region to facilitate university education to the deprived sections of the society.