

## **Institutional Distinctiveness**

As Mankar College is located adjacent to the Jungle Mahal of the former Maharaja of Bardhaman, it caters to the demand for a large number of people belonging to scheduled castes and scheduled tribes. The proof is the demography of the villages in the vicinity of the college. A demographic diversity can be found in the villages around the college. A large number of populations belong to SC, ST and Minority communities and many are financially backward. The college encourages the students from these backward areas to enlighten themselves with the blessings of education and shine in life. Even there is a facility to study under Netaji Open University in our campus, which allows them to continue education while managing their employment simultaneously. The college has a lush green campus. More than five acres out of 11.069 acres of the total area of the campus is covered with natural and planted canopies and trees. Thus, the college contributes in building and maintaining a campus that encourages awareness on Nature amidst the students and the staffs and keep the air pollution-free within the campus. Ours is a institution which is only thirty two years old and it attracts many first generation learners. But even within these few years it has acquired such a reputation that it even attracts the students from the nearby Urban areas like Bardhaman and Durgapur. This is reflected in the admission details since 2015-16, as the number of the students from urban area is increasing every year in considerable amount. Mankar College is known for its discipline-friendly atmosphere. The staffs and faculties are always advised to maintain the decorum prescribed in the model code of conduct. It is also reputed as a student-friendly college keeping an ambience of gender equity and womens safety. Our Sexual Harassment Cell and Vishakha Committee confirm the question of womens safety within the campus. In collaboration with PIDILITE the college provides hand-on-training to students interested in handicrafts and art. This is also an endeavour to make them self-sufficient. In rural areas the female students are greatly benefitted from this training. Our college is known for its Department of Computer Science which had introduced Diploma in Computer Science for the first time under The University of Burdwan. Now it runs a full time Hons. course and its students are working worldwide in respectable positions. All these together provide distinctiveness to the college.