Divyangjan Policy





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1. Policy for Divyangjan

The Rama Devi Women's University is committed to the National Policy of Inclusive Education, ensuring equality, freedom, justice, and dignity for all individuals. The University devotes equal attention to those who are differently-abled. The University is only women's University of the state to provide special facilities for the differently-abled students and staff. Rama Devi Women's University has the Scribe clubs, Hostel facility and Audio book facility with exclusive reading corner to provide them opportunities, to acquire quality education and to bring them into the mainstream of society. The policy adopted by the University has four major objectives:

- To create an educational environment that provides Divyangjan students and staff equality of opportunities and protection of their rights.
- To enable them to become economically self-sufficient;
- To eliminate all forms of discrimination.
- To undertake measures to reduce or eliminate barriers so that differently-abled students and staff can avail all facilities in the campus.
- To ensure that the differently -able students can learn and fully engage in different cultural, curricular and extra- curricular activities.

The following facilities and measures are undertaken by the University to achieve the objectives.

2. Infrastructure Facilities

- a) Ramps: The University has a special facility of ramps for the differently- abled students and staff. They are identifiable and easily accessible. Steps and ramps have hand railings permitting access to a conveniently located lift.
- b) Access to lifts: The University has many lifts for differently- abled people to reach freely on different floors. The doors are wide enough to accommodate wheelchair users and the space inside is sufficient for
- c) Wheelchairs: Students and staff with locomotive disabilities even have easy access to a wheelchair for smooth communication.
- d) Rest Rooms: Separate toilets are available for differently- abled. They are identifiable and accessible.
- e) Visual Signage: Visual signage indicating the arrival at different floors is available.

3. Teaching Learning Support

- a) Faculty take all necessary measures such as remedial classes, providing study material, etc. as required by the Divyangjan students.
- b) E-version of Learning Resources: Students are provided with e-versions of journals, books, magazines, and other study material for supporting a dynamic and hassle-free learning
- c) Scribes for Examination: Some students find it difficult to take the examination and they need scribes with them. The University provides the students to take the help of scribes without any charges in the examination through scribe club.
- d) Audio book facility: The University has specifically created a reading room with Audio book facility for quality and teaching and learning.
- e) Career Counseling Support: Career Counseling and Placement Cell: The career counseling cell orients the especially able students regarding different career and placement opportunities.
- f) Equal Opportunity Cell: The cell supervises and oversees the effective implementation of policies and programs for the differently abled students and staff. The cell also ensures that there is no discrimination against the Divyangjan people in the University campus. The cell can be approached for any problems faced by the differently-abled students and staff.
- g) CCTV Surveillance- Rama Devi Women's University ensures safety of women students as well as the Divgyang students through keeping watch of each and every movement of the students inside the campus, Corridors and Main Gate with physical security facility.
- h) Hostel Facility- Rama Devi Women's University is committed for providing support to differently abled students. The university has a 60 seated hostel facility for the students inside the campus.
- i) Creation of support resources through value added course- Rama Devi Women's University is creating human resources by skilling the students to care of about the vulnerable section of the society. A Certificate course in Disability Studies has been offered to students by three departments Collaboratively by Education, Home Science and Psychology.
- j) Wellness and Counseling center- The University also take care of mental health of differently abled students through wellness and counseling center.
