

**P.G. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

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**Name of the department:** Economics

**About the Department:**

The P G Department of Economics had its humble beginning in the year 2015 and it has made a mark of itself as one of the emerging Post Graduate Department of the first Women's University of Odisha. The core strength of the department is the quality of faculty which is competent, qualified and trained in modern teaching and research methods. The Department is actively engaged in research and developmental activities that have resulted in the publication of good number of research papers in different fields of Economics. Several faculty members are involved in research projects and are members of distinguished professional bodies. A number of research scholars have published their research work in various journals, presented research papers in seminars and qualified NET examinations.

The Department has encouraged a view of learning, in which students are given an opportunity to participate actively in discussions. The Department has been frequently organizing seminars, workshops and invited talks by academicians and eminent economists. The fast changing economic scenario poses to the department a challenge of continuously updating its curriculum and faculty, which have been made regularly by the department. The department is offering many emerging, research oriented, mathematical and econometrics based elective courses in MA in Economics. To equip the students with research skills and prepare them for various avenues of employment, the department is providing research methodology and dissertation courses. As a leading teaching and women research centre in Odisha, the department holds field surveys, seminars, conferences, panel discussions and interactive sessions regularly in the areas of development economics, rural economics, environmental economics, agricultural economics and managerial economics etc

**Vision**

- To emerge as a centre of excellence with emphasis on deeper and stronger interdisciplinary teaching and research and to prepare leaders to address the emerging global challenges and develop socially responsible citizens to serve the larger interest of humanity.

**Mission**

- Empowerment of young girl students and scholars through imparting high quality education, training and research.

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- Promoting innovation in teaching, learning and research in a wider diverse national and international perspective.
- Creating and disseminating knowledge through strengthening multidisciplinary research for a dynamic and sustainable social system.

### **Strategic Goals**

- Promote multidisciplinary research for larger and greater interests of the economy.
- Encouraging mutually beneficial collaboration in areas that form crossroads for developing an understanding of society, culture and economy.
- Sensitise young minds to address the needs of the people for community connectivity.
- Collaboration with universities, institutes and industries to form research clusters for creation and dissemination of new knowledge and ideas.

### **Thrust Areas**

#### **Present Thrust Areas**

Economics of Social Sector  
Economics of Agriculture  
Economics of Environment

#### **Proposed Thrust Areas**

Economics of Social Sector  
Economics of Agriculture  
Economics of Environment  
International Trade and Finance

### **SWOC (Strength, Weakness, Opportunity and Challenges):**

#### **Strength**

- Competent and Experienced Faculty
- Locational Advantage
- Hard Working Students
- Updated syllabus (as per UGC)
- Brand Name
- Learning exposure

#### **Weakness**

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- Lack of adequate number of Faculties (Specialization Wise)
- Lack of Administrative and Technical Support Staff
- Computational Lab with software package

### Opportunity

- To offer new courses in the thrust areas of research
- To offer bridge courses like Rural Development, Rural Entrepreneurship and Computer Applications in Economic Research and Gender budgeting
  - ☛ Rural Development with the Department of Sociology
  - ☛ Rural Entrepreneurship with the Department of Commerce
  - ☛ Computer Applications in Economic Research with the Department of Computer Science
  - ☛ Gender Budgeting with the Department of Gender Studies
- Field based research training and Base Line Survey
- To conduct outreach activities for community connectivity

### Challenges

- Placement of the Students
- To prepare the students for Competitive Examinations
- To facilitate Research

### Academic Programmes

Year - 2019-20		
Programme name	Number of seats available/sanctioned	Number of Students admitted
UG	48	40
PG	48	48
MPHIL	5	5

### Publications/patents

**Journal Publications: NIL**

**Book/Book Chapter Publications: NIL**

**Projects: NIL**

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**Teachers' achievement: Resource Persons/Visiting Faculty/Panellist/Invited Guests/ Speakers/  
Conference Presentations**

**Dr. Aparajita Biswal**

1. National Seminar on **Agricultural Production and Productivity: Issues and Challenges**, Dept of Economics, Rama Devi Women's University during March, 2019
2. National Seminar on **Gender, Environment and Sustainable Development** Dept. of Gender Studies, Rama Devi Women's University during February/2020
3. International Conference on **Development, Environment and Sustainability (ICDES2020)**, Dept of Economics, Berhampur University, February/2020.
4. Workshop on "**Applications of SPSS and E-Views in Social Science Research**" Dept. of Economics, Rama Devi Women's University during January, 2020
5. **Post- Budget Consultation 2019-20** OBAC, CYSD, Bhubaneswar July, 2019
6. **National Seminar on Global Poverty Alleviation** Marshaghai College, Marshaghai during January, 2020
7. *Academic Research Training for Teachers* HRD Centre, Berhampur University, January, 2020
8. *Academic Research Training for Teachers* HRD Centre, Fakir Mohan University, February, 2020

**Dr. Kalpana Sahoo**

1. Presentation on "Nexus between Agricultural Growth and Financial Inclusion in India, at National Seminar on Economic Development: Rationality Vs Populism, Birla Global University, Bhubaneswar, 09-10 January, 2020.
2. Presentation on "Growth and Status of MSMEs In Odisha: Issues and Challenges", at National Seminar on MSME and Sustainable Development, Department of Commerce, Rama Devi Women's University Bhubaneswar, Odisha, 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2020.
3. Presentation on "Major Determinants of Agricultural Productivity in India: A Regression Analysis", at International Conference on Development, Environment and Sustainability (ICDES2020), Berhampur University, Ganjam, Odisha, 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020.
4. Presentation on "Linkages between Agricultural Growth and Economic Development in India: A Regression Approach, at International Conference On Development, Environment and Sustainability (ICDES2020), Berhampur University, Ganjam, Odisha, 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> February ,2020.
5. Presentation on "Agricultural Growth and Financial Inclusion: Exploring the Empirical Linkage for India, at International Conference On Development, Environment and Sustainability (ICDES2020), Berhampur University, Ganjam, Odisha, 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> February ,2020.
6. Presentation on "Impact of Agricultural Sector on Economic Development in India: An Empirical Investigation", at National Seminar on 'Agriculture in India: Problems, Policies and Prospects', BJB Autonomous College, Bhubaneswar, 29<sup>th</sup> February- 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2020.
7. Presentation on "Linkages between Agricultural Productivity, Financial Inclusion and Economic Development in India", at National Seminar on 'Agriculture in India: Problems, Policies and Prospects', BJB Autonomous College, Bhubaneswar, 29<sup>th</sup> February- 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2020.

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**Students' achievement: 2019-20**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Competition / Event</b>	<b>Year</b>	<b>Prizes/Awards</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	Prerana Patra	State level English Debate conducted by The Samaj	UG 3 <sup>rd</sup> year (2017-20)	2 <sup>nd</sup> in State level English Debate	2019
2	Prerana Patra	English Debate conducted by OPTCL	UG 3 <sup>rd</sup> year (2017-20)	1 <sup>st</sup> in District level English Debate	2019
3	Soumyashree Dey	Conducted by Rama Devi women's university	UG 3 <sup>rd</sup> year (2017-20)	University Cup	2019
4	Rashmi Sahoo	English Debate	UG 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	First	Dec 2019
5	Ms. Shibani Priyadarshini Panda	Mono acting	UG 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	Second	Dec 2019
6	Sujata Das	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual athletic meet held by RDWU	UG 1 <sup>st</sup> year	1 <sup>st</sup> in skipping competition	28/01/2020

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University Cup  
Name: Soumyashree Dey

1<sup>st</sup> in English Debate  
Name: Rashmi Sahoo

2<sup>nd</sup> in Mono acting  
Name: Ms. Shibani Priyadarshini Panda

1<sup>st</sup> in skipping competition  
Name: Sujata Das



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**Seminars/FDPs/Workshops organized**

<b>S l N o</b>	<b>Name of the Event</b>	<b>Date/Month/ Duration</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Partici pants</b>	<b>Type of Progra mme</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Source of Funding/Colla boration</b>	<b>Resource Person (Internal/External/ Institution)</b>
1	Orient ation for Newly Admitt ed Studen ts	26 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	CBSC Syllabu s, Examin ation Pattern, Questio n Pattern	PG Student s	Depart ment Level	Depart ment		HOD & Faculty Members
2	Panel Discus sion	2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2019	Poor Econo mics: Vision of Abhijee t Banerje e	Faculty Membe rs, Resear ch Scholar s and Student s	Depart ment Level	Audito rium	Seminar Fund of the Dept	Sri. Panchanan Kanungo, Former Finance Minister, GoO Prof. S.N. Mishra, Dean KSM, BBSR
3	Works hop	18 <sup>th</sup> - 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2020	Applica tions of SPSS and E- Views in Social Science Researc h	PG Student s	Depart ment Level	E- Learni ng Centre	Seminar Fund of the Dept	Dr. S.K.Patra, XU, BBSR Dr. D.Sahoo, HOD MBA, UU, BBSR Dr. S.S. Mohanty, UU, BBSR