### **P.G. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

# Annual Report for the Academic Session 2020 - 2021

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#### **Annual Report For Academic Session 2020-21**

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.

- 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

- 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
  - Tomputer 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 - 2020-21						
Programme name	Number of seats available/sanctioned	Number of Students admitted				
UG	48	43				
PG	48	48				
PHD	1	1				

### **Publications/patents**

#### **Journal Publications**

Title of paper	Name of the author/s	Department of the teacher	Name of journal	Year of publication	ISSN number
			Jharkhand		
			Journal of		
Agricultural Growth &			Development		
Financial Inclusion:	Sai Jyoti Parida		and		
Exploring the Empirical	& Kalpana		Management		0973-
Linkages for India.	Sahoo	Economics	Studies	2020	8444

**Book/Book Chapter Publications: NIL** 

**Projects:** NIL

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

**Conference Presentations** 

### Dr. Aparajita Biswal

- 1. Webinar on Sharing the Economic Implications of Covid-Lockdown from Different States in India, SCA Menon Govt College Kerala during June/2020
- 2. Webinar on Gender Budgeting in Odisha, Tulasi Women's College, Kendrapada during October,2020

Students' achievement: 2020-21						
Sl. No.	Name	Competition / Event	Year	Prizes/Awards	Date	
1	Archita Das	Quiz competition conducted by MyNEP	UG 1st year	Secured 73% in quiz competition	21/09/2020	
2	Archita Das	Production Oriented Theatre Workshop	UG 1st year	Participated	13/12/2020	
Secured 73% in quiz competition Name: Archita Das			Participated in Production Oriented Theatre Workshop Name: Archita Das			

### Seminars/FDPs/Workshops organized

Gendered Contours of the Pandemic: Reinventing Public Policy and Leadership Transformation, (24<sup>th</sup> August to 07<sup>th</sup> September, 2020), Organized by Dept of Gender Studies and Sarala Devi Centre for Gender Research, Rama Devi Women's University, Bhubaneswar in Collaboration with Policy Centre and Gender Lab of Miranda House, University of Delhi.