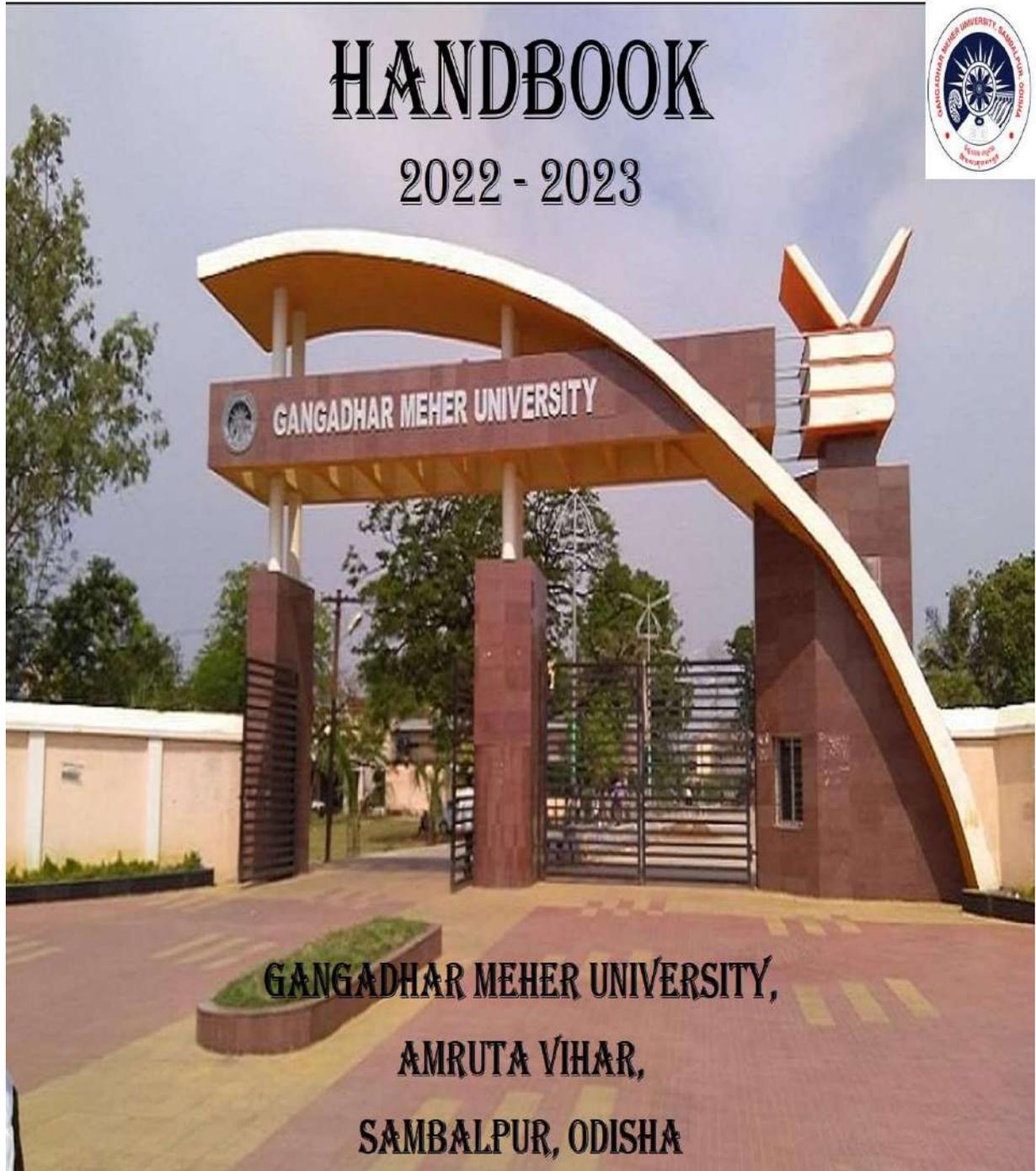


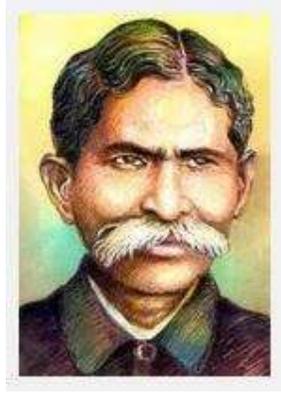
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**GANGADHAR MEHER UNIVERSITY,
AMRUTA VIHAR,
SAMBALPUR, ODISHA**

GANGADHAR MEHER (1862-1924)



The life and achievements of late Gangadhar Meher is an inspirational example. Born in the village Barpali, and schooled up to class V, he struggled through the adversities of life and by sheer grit and determination, acquired great mastery over the classics of Sanskrit and Oriya literature. His poetic sensibility blossomed quite early in life and attracted the attention of the then poets and men of letters. His poetry brings out a synthesis of the old and the new, and seeks to establish a close harmony between man and nature. He strove for truth, beauty and virtue throughout his creative endeavor. *Tapaswini*, his magnum opus apart, his other works like *Kichaka Badha*, *Indumati* and *Pranayaballari* are of enduring value. Gangadhar Meher University is consecrated to his memory and draws inspirations from the invincible spirit of this son of the soil and his struggle for self-expression. His shining example will continue to guide students and teachers, generations after generations, to fulfil their cherished goals in life.

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GANGADHAR MEHER UNIVERSITY

ADMINISTRATION

CHANCELLOR	Professor Ganeshi Lal (His Excellency, Governor of Odisha)
VICE CHANCELLOR	Prof. N. Nagaraju
REGISTRAR	Smt. Jugaleshwari Dash, OAS (SAG)
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DEAN, RESEARCH	Prof. Gyanaranjan Swain
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DEPUTY CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATION	Dr. Sushree Sasmita Pati Dr. Debasish Behera
CHIEF WARDEN	Dr. Namita Shadangi

1. THE LONG AND EVENTFUL JOURNEY

Gangadhar Meher University (GMU), Sambalpur was elevated to its current status as unitary university on the 30th May 2015 [The Government of Odisha Order No.11598/HE Dated 30.05.2015]. It was a momentous event for the educational aspirations of the people of Western Odisha.

The erstwhile Gangadhar Meher College had a long and illustrious history as one of the oldest and the largest institutions of higher learning in Odisha. Initially known as Sambalpur College, it owes its origin to the vision and efforts of the people of the region and Trust Fund. It was later renamed in 1949 as Gangadhar Meher College after Gangadhar Meher, a renowned Odia poet and a worthy son of the soil. The College began on a modest scale with the student strength of only 192, then grew in stature with the passage of time to become an autonomous institution in 1991; degree programs in Arts and Commerce were introduced in 1944 and science programs in the year 1957. Post-graduate departments were opened in 1964; M.Phil. programs were offered in several disciplines from 1983 onwards, and Pre-Doctoral coursework in 2012 in four subjects. “College with potential for excellence (CPE)” by the UGC in 2004-05 and accreditation by the NAAC with an “A” grade in 2015-16 are some notable milestones in its long journey. The institution, after elevation, as natural progression, started Ph.D and postdoctoral work in the year 2018.

The first Vice-Chancellor was Prof. Sudhansu Sekhar Rath, followed by Prof. Atanu Kumar Pati. The current incumbent, third in sequence, is Prof.N.Nagaraju. The University offers teaching and research programmes for Undergraduates, Post Graduates and Research Scholars. This University has around 6000 students in its rolls. In a short span of three years, the university, popular as G M University, has made its mark in the academic domain providing quality education, organizing national and international level seminars, workshops and Faculty Development programs on a regular basis.

2. UNIVERSITY ANTHEM

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ବିଶ୍ୱ ଦେଖ ମଧୁମୟରେ ଜୀବନ !
 ବିଶ୍ୱ ଦେଖ ମଧୁମୟ
ମଧୁର ଝରଣ କରିବ ହରଣ
ତୋ ପାପ ମରଣଭୟରେ ଜୀବନ ! (ଘୋଷା)
ଜନନୀର ସ୍ନେହ ଜାୟାର ପ୍ରଣୟ
 ବୁଧ-ବନ୍ଧୁ ସଦାଳାପ,
ଜନକ ଆଦର ଏକ ଏକ ଝର
ତଡ଼ି ଦେଉଛନ୍ତି ତାପରେ ଜୀବନ !
ନବ ନବ କର୍ମ ନବ ନବ ମର୍ମ
 ନବ ନବ ଜ୍ଞାନପଥ,
ନବୀନ ଆଲୋକେ ଦେଖାନ୍ତି ଏ ଲୋକେ
 ମଧୁର ଝର ଶତ ଶତରେ ଜୀବନ !
ମଧୁମୟ ବନେ ମଧୁମୟ ସ୍ୱନେ
 ଗାଈ ମଧୁମୟ ଗୀତି,
 ବିହଙ୍ଗମଗଣ ପୂରାନ୍ତି ଶ୍ରବଣ
 ମଧୁ ଜାଳି ନିତି ନିତିରେ ଜୀବନ !
ଦିନେ ଦିନପତି ରାତ୍ରେ ରକ୍ଷତତି
 ସହିତ କୁମୁଦବନ୍ଧୁ,
ବିଚରି ଗଗନେ ଅଖିଳ ଭୁବନେ
 ବିଚରନ୍ତି ଜ୍ୟୋତି ମଧୁରେ ଜୀବନ !
ମହୀ ମହୀଧରେ ସରିତ ସାଗରେ
 ସରେ ବନ ଉପବନେ,
ଦେଖ ଫୁଲକୁଳ ପଲ୍ଲବ କଲ୍ଲୋଳ
 ମଧୁ ମାଖୁଛନ୍ତି ଘେନରେ ଜୀବନ !
ବିଶ୍ୱନାଥଙ୍କର କରୁଣାକନ୍ଦର
 ମଧୁ ଝର ଜହ୍ନଜଳ,
ରାହିଁ ଝର ପ୍ରତି ଉଜେ କଲେ ଗତି
 ପାଇବୁ କରୁଣାଚଳରେ ଜୀବନ !
ହେଲେହେଁ ତୁ ସାନ କରୁଣାନିଧାନ
 ରାଜ୍ୟରେ କରିଛୁ ବାସ,
ବଢ଼ାଇଲେ କର ତାଙ୍କ ଶ୍ରୀପୟର
 ଲାଭେ ନ ହେବୁ ନିରାଶରେ ଜୀବନ !
ସର୍ପଦଣ୍ଡ ଜନ ମୁଖରେ ଲବଣ
 ଦେଲେ ବୋଲିଥାଏ ମାତି,
ଜ୍ଞାନଭ୍ରଷ୍ଟେ ମଧୁ ନ ଲାଗିଲେ ସ୍ତ୍ରୀକୁ
 ଜ୍ଞାନଗଦ ପିଅ ବାଟିରେ ଜୀବନ ! (୧୯୧୪ ଅଗଷ୍ଟ, 'ଉତ୍କଳ-ସାହିତ୍ୟ')

3. MESSAGE FROM HONOURABLE VICE-CHANCELLOR



Gangadhar Meher University, like the nearby mighty Mahanadi, is a witness and mother to many educational endeavours and academic lives. Children of this grand old institution are spread all over the country and abroad rendering valuable service in their respective fields. Many of them are glorious examples of what it means to be educated, and educated by an Institution of excellence. Alumni and all the stakeholders may look at its history for whatever they want to be in their lives, and from it.

Post-pandemic, and the new education policy, the focal variables are being restructured. The urgency to adopt online teaching-learning strategies, the need for teaching community to evolve with necessary skills and be part of knowledge creation and management. Flexibility, Creation of Credit Banks, Multi-disciplinarity, Diversity, synergy at all levels of Curriculum and Pedagogy, Experimentation, Critical thinking and Rootedness, all these point to a holistic environment and an evolving ecosystem. Gangadhar Meher University is vigorously moving, especially in terms of infrastructure and human resource, to meet the challenges. The stakeholders need to firm themselves up to actualize the institutional goals. Let us envision and strive for golden careers and lives for our students and members of the institutional community.

4. VISION AND MISSION

Vision

- To make quality higher education accessible to the students without discrimination
- To develop and nurture the intellectual capital
- To promote self-learning and self -assessment through adopting technology-intensive education system
- To expand the areas of higher education through inclusion of both basic and applied disciplines
- To promote professional programs

Mission

- To adopt inclusive policy in enrolment
- To offer incentives to girl students pursuing higher education/research
- To ensure flexibility in syllabus by involving representatives of students and alumni in syllabus framing
- To promote student centric learning by developing hi-tech classrooms with high speed Internet connections
- To provide the students with the congenial research ecosystem with the target to solve local and global issues and problems
- To evolve mechanisms to explore the diversity in talent and counsel career development in congruence with their talents
- To train the graduating students in finishing schools to make them society-ready
- To offer online and offline certificate courses for enrichment and refinement of their skills
- To offer certificate courses in foreign languages and computer literacy for attaining global competency.

5. THE UNIVERSITY LOGO



Description of Logo

The University's crest contains the name of the University and the year of its inception. The rays of the morning Sun symbolize the cultural renaissance brought by the University. The *Konark* wheel stands for the art, sculpture and the glory of Odisha. The atomic fission symbolizes the dawn of the atomic era. The diamond represents strength and crystalline purity, brightness and glory of the erstwhile *Hirakhand* Empire of which Sambalpur was the capital. The book is the sign of study and research and the Hirakud dam not only symbolizes the harnessing of nature by men for the service of humanity but also gives the crest its local color. The motto is an extract from the *Kathopanishad*.

यस्यद्वैदोभयसह।

श्रविधयामृत्युतोर्त्वाविधयामृतमस्तूते।।

English Translation: One who has both real and practical knowledge crosses death with the help of practical knowledge and attains immortality with real knowledge.

The University Flag

The university flag was adopted in the platinum jubilee year of the institution in 2019 along with the university anthem, revised logo and the campus name.



6. UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC CALENDAR

ACADEMIC CALENDER-2022-23		
Sl. No.	Content	Date
1	Re-opening of the University: -	17.06.2022
2	Commencement of Classes: -	
	(i) UG Semester- II, IV, VI, VIII(Arts/ Sc/ Com/ BBA/ IST)	20.06.2022
	(ii) PG Sem-II, IV(including MBA, MBA (FM)/ MCA).	20.06.2022
3	University/ College formation day	07.07.2022
4	Mid Term Examination: -	
	(i) UG Semester II, IV (Arts/ Sc/ Com/ BBA/ IST)	21.05.2022 to 28.05.2022
	(ii) UG Semester VI, VIII (Arts/ Sc/ Com/ BBA/ IST)	22.07.2022 to 30.07.2022
	(iii) PG Sem-II (including MBA, MBA (FM)/ MCA).	21.05.2022 to 28.05.2022
	(iv) PG Sem-IV (including MBA, MBA (FM)/ MCA).	22.07.2022 to 30.07.2022
5	Mid Term Examination: -	
	(i) UG Semester VI, VIII (B.Ed)	20.07.2022
	(Arts/ Sc/ Com/ BBA/ IST) II, IV	17.09.2022
	(ii) PG Sem-IV, VI (MCA)	20.07.2022
	(iii) PG Sem-II (including MBA, MBA (FM)/ MCA).	17.09.2022
6	Schedule of Admission: -	
	(i) UG Classes (Sem-I)	12.08.2022 to 29.09.2022
	(ii) PG Classes (Sem-I)	25.08.2022 to 29.09.2022
7	Gangadhar Meher Jayanti	12.08.2022
8	Commencement of Classes: -	
	(i) UG Sem- III, V, VII	19.09.2022
	(ii) UG Sem-I	10.10.2022
	(iii) PG Sem-III	19.09.2022
	(iv) PG Sem-I	10.10.2022
9	Puja Vacation: -	30.09.2022 to 08.10.2022
10	Induction Classes: -	
	(i) UG Classes Sem-I	12.10.2022
	(ii) PG Classes Sem-I	13.10.2022
11	Selection of Generic Elective/ IDSE: -	
	(i) UG Classes Sem-I	15.10.2022
	(ii) PG Classes Sem-I	15.10.2022
12	Welcome function by Departments	21.10.2022 & 22.10.2022
13	Mid Term Examinations: -	
	(i) UG Sem- III, V, VII	25.10.2022 to 31.10.2022
	(ii) UG Sem-I	14.11.2022 to 21.11.2022
	(iii) PG Sem-III	25.10.2022 to 31.10.2022
	(iv) PG Sem-I	14.11.2022 to 21.11.2022
14	Filling of Examination Form: -	
	(i) UG Semester- III, V, VII	17.10.2022 to 22.10.2022
	(ii) UG Semester- I	03.11.2022 to 10.11.2022
	(iii) PG Sem- III	17.10.2022 to 22.10.2022
	(ii) PG Sem-I	03.11.2022 to 10.11.2022
15	X-Mas Holiday: -	26.12.2022 to 31.12.2022

16	End Term Examinations :-	
	(i) UG Sem- III, V, VII	09.01.2023 to 21.01.2023
	(ii) UG Sem-I	13.02.2023 to 25.02.2023
	(iii) PG Sem-III	09.01.2023 to 21.01.2023
	(iv) PG Sem-I	13.02.2023 to 25.02.2023
17	Commencement of Classes: -	
	(i) UG Sem- IV, VI, VIII	24.01.2023
	(ii) UG Sem-II	28.02.2023
	(iii) PG Sem-IV	24.01.2023
	(iv) PG Sem-II	28.02.2023
18	Annual Athletic Meet: -	29.12.2022 & 30.12.2022
19	UNMESH: -	02.01.2023 TO 05.01.2023
20	Mid Term Examinations: -	
	(i) UG Sem- IV, VI, VIII	20.02.2023 to 25.02.2023
	(ii) UG Sem-II	10.04.2023 to 15.04.2023
	(iii) PG Sem-IV	20.02.2023 to 25.02.2023
	(iv) PG Sem-II	10.04.2023 to 15.04.2023
21	Filling of Examination Form: -	
	(i) UG Semester- IV, VI, VIII	09.01.2023 to 16.01.2023
	(ii)UG Semester- II	20.03.2023 to 25.03.2023
	(iii) PG Sem- IV	09.01.2023 to 16.01.2023
	(iv) PG Sem-II	20.03.2023 to 25.03.2023
22	End Term Examinations :-	
	(i) UG Sem- IV, VI, VIII	01.05.2023 to 12.05.2023
	(ii) UG Sem-II	19.07.2023 to 31.07.2023
	(iii) PG Sem-IV	01.05.2023 to 12.05.2023
	(iv) PG Sem-II	19.07.2023 to 31.07.2023
23	Summer vacation: -	A per the instructions of DHE, Govt. of Odisha

7. SCHOOLS AND CENTRES

School of Anthropology

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. BIBHU KALYAN MOHANTY	Associate Professor and Head	PhD	Cultural Anthropology
2	Dr. MEERA SWAIN	Associate Professor	PhD	Cultural Anthropology
3	Dr. KALYANI RATH	Assistant Professor	M.A., M. Phil, PhD, D. Sc (Cont)	Physical Anthropology
4	Dr. MINAKETAN BAG	Assistant Professor	M.A., M. Phil, PhD	Cultural Anthropology

School of Biotechnology

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. SANTOSH KUMAR SETHI	Assistant Professor and Head	M.Sc., PhD, Post Doc	Plant Biotechnology and Microbiology
2	Dr. RAGHUNATH SATPATHY	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., APGDBI, M.Tech, PhD	Bioinformatics
3	Dr. SWETALEENA TRIPATHY	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., PhD	Animal Biotechnology
4	Dr. MONTY KUJUR	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., M.Phil, PhD	Microbiology

School of Botany

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. PRADOSH KUMAR ACHARYA	Assistant Professor and Head	M.Sc., M. Phil, PhD	Biotechnology and Molecular Taxonomy
2	Dr. PRAGNYA SAHOO	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., PhD	Cytogenetics

School of Business Studies

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. Srinibash Dash	Asst. Professor & Director-in-Charge	LLB, MBA, Ph.D.	General Management and HR
2	Ms. Shibani Sharma	Assistant Professor	UGC NET; M.Phil	Finance

School of Commerce

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. Priyabrata Panda	Assistant Professor and Head	M.Com., M.Phil, Ph.D. UGC NET	Finance, Taxation and Behavioral Studies
2	Dr. Gnyana Ranjan Bal	Assistant Professor	M.Com., Ph.D, UGC NET	Finance and Accounting
3	Ms. Saroja Meher	Assistant Professor	M.Com., M.Phil.	Marketing and HR
4	Mr. Subash Chandra Jhankar	Assistant Professor	M.Com., B.Ed., UGC NET	Finance and Accounting

School of Chemistry

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. ALEKH KUMAR SUTAR	Associate Professor and Head	M.Sc., PhD, Post Doc	Inorganic and Polymer Chemistry
2	Dr. MONALISA MOHAPATRA	Associate Professor	M.Sc., PhD	Fluorescence Spectroscopy, Biophysical Chemistry
3	Dr. SUPRAVA NAYAK	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., PhD	Inorganic Chemistry
4	Dr. DEBASIS BEHERA	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., PhD	Physical Chemistry
5	Dr. SUMANTA PRADHAN	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., M.Phil, PhD (Cont)	Inorganic Chemistry

School of Computer Science and IT

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. Madhumita Panda	Associate Professor and Head	M.Sc., PhD	Quality of Service in Networks, Information Security

2	Dr. Ajaya Kumar Tripathy	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., M. Tech., PhD	Machine learning and Formal Language Design and Processing
3	Dr. Usha Manasi Mohapatra	Assistant Professor	M. Tech., PhD	Machine learning

School of Economics

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	DR. UMA CHARAN PATI	Assistant Professor (G-III) and Head	M.A., M. Phil. (JNU), Ph.D., NET, JRF, MBA (Finance), DCA, CoP in French	Econometrics, Mathematical Economics, Behavioral Economics, Financial Economics
2	DR. MURALIDHAR MAJHI	Assistant Professor (G-III)	M.A. Ph.D., PGDDE	Econometrics, Mathematical Economics
3	DR. SURAJ BADAIAK	Assistant Professor	M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D.	Econometrics, Mathematical Economics
4	DR. D.P. PRIYADARSHI JOSHI	Assistant Professor	M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D.	Econometrics, Mathematical Economics
5	MR. ANURANJAN TETE	Assistant Professor	M.A., M. Phil.	International Trade, Public Finance

School of Education

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. Partha Sarathi Mallik	Associate Professor and Head	M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., PGDDE, B.Ed.	Educational Sociology, Cross Cultural Studies in Education
2	Dr. Neena Dash	Assistant Professor	PhD	Inclusive Education
3	Mr. GOPIKANTA SUNA	Assistant Professor	M.A. M. PHIL (NET)	Educational Statistics, ICT, Teacher Education
4	Mr. Sadhujan Bankira	Assistant Professor	M.A., NET, JRF	Educational Psychology, History or Indian Education
5	Dr. Sanjukta Bhuyan	Assistant Professor	M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., M.Ed.	Educational Measurement and Evaluation, Educational Statistics, Educational Technology

6	Mr. Gajanan Behera	Lecturer in Integrated B.Ed (Foundation)	M.A(Education, English, Sociology), B.Ed, M.Phil, NET	
7	Ms. Madhusmita Panda	Lecturer in Pedagogy of Mathematics	M.Sc(Mathematics), Int. B.Ed-M.Ed, M.Phil(Mathematics)	
8	Ms. Suchitra Patel	Lecturer in Pedagogy of Physical Science	M.Sc(Chemistry), Int. B.Ed-M.Ed, NET(Education)	
9	Ms. Suruchi Sahoo	Lecturer in Pedagogy of English	M.A(English), M.Ed., M. Phil., NET	
10	Mr. Jayananda Padhan	LECTURER IN INTEGRATED B.Ed (PEDAGOGY OF ODIA)	M.A(Odia), B.Ed	

School of English

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. ANJALI TRIPATHY	Associate Professor and Head	M.A., M. Phil, Ph.D	Partition Literature, Post-Colonial Studies, New Literatures
2	Dr. P. MURALIDHAR SHARMA	Assistant Professor	M.A., M. Phil, Ph.D.	Literature and Performing Arts, Indian Literature in Translation, Post-Colonial Studies
3	Mr. BRAHMANANDA PADRA	Assistant Professor	M. Phil	General Linguistics

School of Geography

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. ARABINDA SHARMA	Associate Professor and Head	MSc. M.Tech, PhD (IIT Kharagpur)	Geoinformatics, Environmental Applications
2	Dr. SUJIT KUMAR JALLY	Assistant Professor	M.A, M.Phil, Ph. D	Geoinformatics
3	Dr. Rashmi	Assistant Professor	M.A., PhD (B.H.U, Varanasi)	Social and Cultural Geography
4	Dr. PAMMI NITIN SINHA	Assistant Professor	M.Sc PhD	Physical Geography

School of Hindi

	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization

1	Prof. SADAN KUMAR PAUL	Professor and Head	M.A., PhD	Tulsi Das
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School of History

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. ATUL KUMAR PRADHAN	Assistant Professor and Head	MA, PhD, PG Diploma in Archaeology	Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology
2	Dr. SANTOSH KUMAR MALLIK	Assistant Professor	MA, MTA, M. Phil, PhD	Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology, Art History
3	Dr. PARAMATAP PRADHAN	Assistant Professor	Ph.D (BHU)	Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology
4	Dr. SASMITA RANI SHASINI	Assistant Professor	M. Phil, Ph.D	Modern Indian History

School of Library and Information Science

S. No.	Name	Designation	Qualification	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. JAYENDRA KUMAR SINGH	Assistant Professor and Head	B.Sc. (Hons.), MLIS (BHU), UGC-NET, PhD (BHU)	Scientometrics, Citation Analysis, Ranking System of Universities/ Organizations/ Institutions
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3	Dr. Y. Jamudulia	Assistant Professor	M.A., M. Phil., PhD	Number Theory, Partition Theory and q-series
4	Ms. L. Majhi	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., M. Phil	Number Theory

School of Odia

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3	Dr. SUSHREE SASMITA PATI	Assistant Professor	PhD	Dharmashastra
4	Dr. SALA BESRA	Assistant Professor	PhD	Veda

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2	Dr. Rajendra Gadtia	Assistant Professor	M.Sc., PhD	Operations Research, Demographic Studies
3	Dr. Nirupama Sahoo	Assistant Professor	M.A., PhD	Survey Sampling

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66	Prakash Seth	Gardener
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9. ADMISSIONS

- Admissions to the Regular undergraduate and Post graduate courses of the University are done through SAMS.
- Admissions to Ph. D. Program and self-financing courses are done through notification by the University as per norms and rules.

PG/UG Students Strength

SI No	Departments	UG	PG
1	Anthropology (Arts & Science)	32	20
2	Biotechnology		20
3	Botany	48 +10	20

4	Chemistry	48+ 10	20
5	Comp. Science	32	20
6	Commerce	384	58
7	Economics	80+5	58
8	Education	32	48
9	English	48 + 10	38
10	Geography (Arts & Science)	32 +5	20
11	Hindi	32	30
12	History	48 +10	78
13	Library & Info. Science		20
14	Mathematics (Arts & Science)	60 +10	48
15	Odia	48 +10	38
16	Philosophy	24	38
17	Physics	48 +10	20
18	Pol. Science	96 +10	38
19	Psychology	24	58
20	Sanskrit	32	58
21	Sociology	32	20
22	Statistics	32	20
23	Zoology	48 +10	20

Self Financing Courses

SI No.	Courses	UG	PG
1	BBA	64	
2	B.Sc. IST	48	
3	Integrated B.A. B.Ed	50	
4	Integrated B.Sc B.Ed	50	
5	M.B.A.		60
6	M.C.A.		30
7	MBA (FM)		60

10. CENTRAL LIBRARY

The library was established in 1944 as Gangadhar Meher College library. Since 2015, it has been functioning as University Library. It was renamed as Mayadhar Mansingh Central Library on 20th October 2020. Mayadhar Mansingh was an eminent poet and former Principal of the erstwhile G.M College. At present, it stands as a modern library with a lot of automation support and is one of the largest libraries in the region. The library is INFLIBNET enabled and subscribed to PROQUEST for access to e-resources which help in

searching the data. The library has a reading room with a sitting capacity of 250 users. The Library functions for 12 hours on all working days from 8.00 am to 8.00 pm.

LIBRARY TIMING

Reading Room Timing (Monday to Saturday)	08 am To 08 pm
Circulation Timing (Monday to Saturday)	10 am to 5 pm

Library Collection: Print Resources

Total Number of Collections	124891 approx
Total Number of Text Books	97535 approx
Total Number of Reference Books	23301 approx
Total Number of Competitive Books	2151 approx
Total Number of Encyclopedia/ Dictionary	340 approx
Total Number of Journals	03
Total Number of Popular Magazines	25
Total Number of News Paper	07
Total Number of Ph.D. Thesis	21

E-resources (Provided by Odisha State Higher Education Council)

Our Library is also has made provisions for its students, research scholars & faculties to access electronic resources through <https://eresources.oshec.in/>

EBSCO https://search.ebscohost.com	Elsevier's Science Direct www.sciencedirect.com
16000+ Journals & Magazines	39000 E-Books
E-Book-200000+	2500 Journals

11. EXAMINATION PROCESS AND REGULATIONS

A student admitted to Gangadhar Meher University in the UG program is required to follow CBCS (Choice Based Credit System) framework of curriculum introduced by University Grants Commission (UGC). The Post Graduate (PG) students will follow the curriculum which has been approved by the Academic council of the university. The PG syllabi have been made inter-disciplinary by introducing one component of intra-departmental choices and another inter-departmental choices. CBCS offers an effective learning platform for students by broadening the horizons of education. It is a student-centric course that allows students to choose their subjects. The subjects can be at a basic or advanced level. Instead of the conventional marking system, the CBCS system uses credits. This choice-based credit system in higher education provides flexibility in preparing the curriculum and granting credits based on the course intensity and teaching hours. This helps students to pursue courses of their choice, study at their own pace, learn

extra courses, and acquire more than the required credits.

1. Outlines of Choice-Based Credit System for UG program Implemented by Govt. of Odisha (Arts/Science/Commerce stream)

- a) Core Course (14 papers) for Bachelor's degree in a particular discipline
- b) Discipline Specific Elective (DSE) Course (4 Papers)
- c) Dissertation/Project
- d) Generic Elective (GE) Course (4 papers)
- e) Ability Enhancement Compulsory Courses (AECC)
 - Paper I: Environmental Science
 - Paper II: MIL Communication (English/Odia/Hindi/Sanskrit)
- f) Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC)

2. DURATION:

Three years of degree programme will have six semesters. Odd semester (i.e. 1st, 3rd & 5th semester) is from 1st June to 30th November and the examination shall be held normally in the month of November. Even semester (i.e. 2nd, 4th & 6th semester) is from 1st December to 31st May and the examination shall be held normally in the month of April/May. However, the Final Semester shall be conducted in April and it is desirable that the result shall be published within 30 days and not beyond 45 days from the date of completion of the examination. A student would be required to complete the course within 06 semesters from the date of his joining.

COMPULSORY REGISTRATION:

- a. Registration for the 1st semester examination is compulsory and will be at the time of admission. If a student does not appear for all the papers in both first and second semester examinations, his/her admission for the said course will be cancelled.
 - b. OTG (On Time Graduation) with provision of Back Papers Examinations in all semesters has been introduced in the university. Those who fail in any paper in a semester or are unable to appear in any semester or are unable to submit forms for back papers of 2/3/4/5/6 may appear in those papers in subsequent semester examinations within 6 years from the date of admission to that course.
- 3. ATTENDANCE:** A candidate shall be required to attend at least 75% of the lectures in theory and practical classes taken separately.
- 4. MID-SEMESTER EXAMINATION:**
- a. Mid semester examination will be of 01hour duration for 20/15 marks (20 for subjects having no practical and 15 for subject with practical papers). There shall be no pass mark in Mid-Semester examination. The type of questions will be decided by the University authority.
 - b. A student who fails to appear in a Mid-Semester Examination will be allowed one more chance to take the same examination. There will be no provision to

re-appear in the Mid-Semester Examination for improvement.

A student has to appear the Mid Semester Examination. Absence in a Mid Semester paper will be declared as failed in that Paper. A student who was absent in the Mid-Semester examination during both the chances but has passed at the University End Term examination shall be treated as failed in that Semester. Such candidates would be required to appear the Mid-Semester Examinations in subsequent semester.

5. MARK DISTRIBUTION for UG:

A. Subjects Without Practical:

Mid Semester	End Semester	Total
20	80	100

B. Subjects With Practical:

Mid Semester	End semester		Total
	A-Theory	B-Practical	
15	60	25(20+05(Record))	100

C. Projects: The mark distribution would be subject-specific. In general, the Project report will carry 80 marks and viva voce/Seminar will carry 20 marks. The report marks will be sub-divided as: Introduction and context: 10 marks; Literature survey:10 marks; Actual project work methodology: 20 marks, Results, discussion, critical analysis: 10 marks; Clarity of thought and aesthetics of report: 10 marks

6. POLICY ON DSE PAPERS

- a. DSE-4 for Honours students (6thSemester) will be a paper like the other three DSE papers. For students who have secured 60% in aggregate or above (or equivalent CGPA) in their first three semesters universities can exercise the option of offering a project to such students. The Project paper will not have Mid Semester Examination and it will be evaluated by an Internal Examiner specified by the University.

7. GRADE SYSTEM IN EACH PAPER (MID+END-SEM EXAM) IN A SEMESTER

GRADING SYSTEM

Qualification	Grade	Marks Secured from 100	Grade Point
Outstanding	'O'	90-100	10
Excellent	'A+'	80-89	9
Very Good	'A'	70-79	8

Good	'B+'	60-69	7
Above Average	'B'	50-59	6
Fair	'C'	45-49	5
Pass	'D'	40-44	4
Fail	'F'	Below40	0
Absent	'ABS'	00	0
Malpractice	'M'	00	0

Qualification	Grade	MarkSecuredfrom m100	Grade Point	Classification for Hons.	Classification for Pass
Outstanding	'O'	90-100	10	First Class Hons.	Pass
Excellent	'A+'	80-89	9		
Very Good	'A'	70-79	8		
Good	'B+'	60-69	7		
Above average	'B'	50-59	6	Second Class Hons.	
Fair	'C'	45-49	5		
Pass	'D'	40-44	4		
Fail	'F'	Below 40	0		
Absent	'ABS'	00	0		Fail
Malpractice	'M'	00	0		MP

12. INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)

As per the UGC's relevant latest guidelines, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Gangadhar Meher University has been constituted. Since quality enhancement is a continuous process, the IQAC becomes a part of the University system and works towards realization of the goals of quality enhancement and sustenance. The prime task of the IQAC is to develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic improvement in the overall performance of University.

Parent Teacher Meeting: -

Parent-Teacher meetings have been the main forum for communication between teachers and parents. These meetings are crucial for strong relationships between the two parties who are chiefly concerned with a student's academic and personal development. A parent-teacher meeting is a great opportunity to share academic progress and growth based on classroom observations, testing data, assessments, portfolios, and assignments, and consequently to know about student's strengths, needs, behaviour, and learning styles. Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur, has accepted this tradition and started the PTM twice in an academic year from this academic session (2022-2023). The tentative period

for the first and second PTM are within the fifteen days of publication of Mid-Semester Examination of odd and even semesters respectively. The respective HoD of the School will contact the parent much before this meeting. Parents can also interact with the Teachers/ HoDs in any other time apart from these two scheduled PTM. Apart from regular communication with the parents, there shall be a quarterly meeting

Feedback System: -

The student feedback system at the university takes into account the different phases of the studies and the different feedback levels, from individual courses. The feedback is utilised systematically in the management of teaching activities, decision making and the development of teaching. In recent times, higher education institutions have paid increasing attention to the views of students to obtain feedback on their experience of learning and teaching through internal surveys. The study confirms the need for institutions to develop an overarching framework for evaluation in which a valid, reliable, multidimensional and useful student feedback survey constitutes just one part. Given external expectations and internal requirements to collect feedback from students on their experience of learning and teaching, the pursuit of sound evaluation practices will continue to be of interest at local, national and international levels. Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur, has adopted the practice of student satisfaction survey which collects in-depth data of a student's satisfaction with a teacher of the University. This survey template consists multiple question types that collect feedback about multiple aspects of the Institution/ Teaching Faculty that can help the management to streamline services. In addition to current students' feedback system is also there for parents and alumni.

Mentor-Mentee System: -

Mentor Mentee Program is an essential component for a successful career as it bridges the gap between the faculties and students. Mentoring provides students emotional and instrumental support, guidance, encouragement and better environment in college. To guide students on both educational and personal aspects Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur, has applied the process of Mentor-Mentee System in which one teaching faculty allotted with a group of students and the allotted teaching faculty acts as a mentor to that particular group of students. Successful mentorships often evolve into friendships with both partners learning and providing support for the other. A mentor may share with an information about his or her own career path, as well as provide guidance, motivation, emotional support, and role modeling. A mentor may help with exploring careers, setting goals, developing contacts, and identifying

resources. Having a mentor can also help you expand your network, navigate a new experience, boost your confidence, and potentially open up new opportunities. Mentorship can be formal or informal. Additionally, mentorship is mutually beneficial for both the mentor and the mentee.

Mentors serve as a thought partner for students on their academic journey and help empower students to become autonomous learners and agents of their own change. They express understanding of students' aspirations and fears, and support their success by acting as an advocate for students' best interests.

As a mentee, it is expected of you to provide feedback on the mentoring relationship, in addition to giving feedback on the results of the tips and advice obtained from the mentor. Receiving feedback is vital for learning growth and development.

University Achievements: -

- ✚ Participation in International/National Ranking
- ✚ Enhancement of Visibility of Faculties/GMU
- ✚ Enhancement of Research Activity
- ✚ Regular Monitoring of Teaching & Research Activity
- ✚ Placement Activities
- ✚ Creation of Form & Format
- ✚ Seminar/Webinar

13.MO UNIVERSITY ABHIYAN- THE ALUMNI CONNECT

The Gangadhar Meher University (GMU) has its own Alumni Connect, created to provide a platform for all the alumni of the university right from the days of its origin as Sambalpur College and foster a sense of community among them. It was launched on 15.03.2021. It will uphold the glorious tradition of this institution and help in fulfilling the objectives of Mo University Abhiyan launched by the Government of Odisha, which are largely based on the experience, expertise and expectations of the Alumni. The spirit of service, as the saying goes, is the soul of belonging.

The GMU became the first university in the state of Odisha to receive 50 thousand as matching grant under the Mo College/University Abhiyan of the Govt. of Odisha in 2021.

14. HOSTELS

The sprawling campus of Gangadhar Meher University stretches over an area of 49.2 acres. The campus boasts of 05 hostels for boys and 04 for girls to accommodate about 550 boys and 450 girls, respectively. Hostel life in GMU is a pleasant and memorable experience. The boarders of all classes and branches of study reside together and no segregation or discrimination is made among the students in this regard. It fosters the spirit of camaraderie and togetherness among all the inmates irrespective of their age or seniority.

- Janardan Pujari Post Graduation Hostel : Sanctioned seats 120
- Trust Found Hostel : Sanctioned seats 150
- Silver Jubile Hostel : Sanctioned seats 150
- New Ekalabya Hostel : Sanctioned seats 150
- Ladies Hostel-I : Sanctioned seats 305
- Ladies Hostel-II : Sanctioned seats 50
- Ladies Hostel-III : Sanctioned seats 120
- Madhumaya: Sanctioned seats 30
- Old Ekalabya Hostel: Sanctioned seats 64

15. RULES OF DISCIPLINE

The University is known for maintaining high standard of discipline in the campus and hostels and shall continue this tradition to ensure free and congenial environment for all its students to pursue their studies without any distraction. The University shall provide the healthiest environment for learning, particularly to its female students, without infringing the academic freedom and rights of any of its students.

- The students admitted to this University shall abide by the rules of discipline made by the University from time to time.
- A student admitted to any course in a Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate Course of the University shall be under the direct disciplinary control of the Head of the Department and general administrative control of the Chairman, Post-Graduate Council.
- An undertaking shall be given by the student at the time of his/her admission of the course that he agrees to abide by the rules of the University, and if admitted to a hostel, by the rules of the Hostel.

- The following punishments may for good and sufficient reasons be imposed on a student of the University after giving-reasonable opportunity of hearing namely-
 - (i) Fine
 - (ii) Detention in a class
 - (iii) Rustication
 - (iv) ExpulsionThe disciplinary authority shall make a report to be Syndicate who shall have power to rescind or modify the said punishment. The Honourable Vice-Chancellor may impose any of the punishment specified above.
- No punishment may be imposed on a student in accordance without giving him an opportunity to state his position in defence and without being heard in person. Any students on whom a punishment is imposed may make an appeal to the Honourable Vice-Chancellor against the order of punishment whose decision thereon shall be final. In a case where the punishment is imposed by the Vice-Chancellor, the student may make an appeal to the Syndicate against such order of punishment whose decision thereon shall be final.
- Students living in a Hostel shall be under the disciplinary control of the Warden or Chief Warden of the Hostel.

16.CAREER DEVELOPMENT CELL (CDC)

Career development is the process of exploration and action that shapes a person's career path. It includes assessments of a person's skills, abilities, interests, and personality in order to find a suitable career match. More than 30 faculty members and staff of this cell are working under the guidance of Prof. Susanta Kumar Das tirelessly round the year with an objective of providing guidance and assistance to the UG/PG students to achieve their career goals. More than 200 students have been selected by the above companies/organizations. Large number of students have also been trained free of cost by some of these organizations and our own faculty members in skill based courses like: Digital marketing/e-commerce, Pythons, professional skills, JAM, JEST, NET,GATE, SSB etc. preparation.

The cell is doing the following tasks

- Providing necessary awareness to the students on Higher Education, Job opportunities and Self-employment.

- Helping students to discover opportunities based on their domain background, qualifications and previous work experiences.
- Coordinating with on-campus and off-campus jobs interviews by keeping in touch with reputed Firms/Industries/Organizations.
- Organizing/coordinating different skill development programs in association with various organization.
- Coordinating with students and companies/organizations for the internship.

Through this cell, not only technical/professional students but students of all basic streams of Arts/Science/Commerce are getting a lot of opportunities to apply for different kind of jobs/internships/skill development programs. A list of the companies/organizations for which CDC has given various supports to the students of GMU in the last 2 years (August 2020-August 2022) has been given in Table 1. This table also contains the information on the discipline from where students have applied and their total number. Some of the companies have been coordinated multiple times in the aforementioned period. For such cases addition has been done to find the total number of students applied. As it can be found that the total number of students who have applied for various companies/organizations is 3068. Approximately 10% percent i.e. about 300 numbers of applied students have got benefitted through this process so far. The competent administrative authorities of G M University, Prof. N. Nagaraju (VC, GMU), Mrs. J. Dash (Registrar) and Dr. U. C. Pati (Deputy Registrar) have given immense support in this process.

Table 1: List of the Companies/Organizations to which students have applied

Sl. No.	Name of the Company/Organization	Discipline from where Students have Applied/ Eligibility criteria set by the organization	Total Number of Students Applied
1	Deloitte	UG Commerce	158
2	Cognizant	UG (Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics, BSc IST)	170
3	Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)	UG (All Streams)	330

4	Wipro	Comp. Sc., B. Sc. IST, Management	110
5	Infosys	B. Com, B. Sc, M. Sc., MCA	120
6	British Telecom (BT)	UG/PG (All Streams)	90
7	Indev Consultancy	Comp. Sc., B. Sc. IST	48
8	Fluentgrid Limited	Comp. Sc., B. Sc. IST	56
9	Tata Power (TP)	Commerce & Management	78
10	Runaya Refining Ltd.	Commerce & Management	60
11	Byju's	UG/PG (Pass out students of all Streams/Branches/Subjects)	234
12	Innovators & You	BBA/MBA/Commerce (UG/PG)	107
13	TP Western Odisha Distribution Ltd.	UG Commerce (current & pass out students)	158
		Commerce (UG/PG - 2020/2021 pass out batches)	42
		B. Com. (pass out in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021)	63
14	Leeway Hertz	UG/PG (Science/MCA/BSc IST/MSc ETC) 2020 & 2021 pass out	63
15	Toppr Technologies Pvt. Ltd.	UG/PG (Science/MCA/ BSc IST/MScETC/BBA/MBA), 2020 & 2021 pass out	78
16	Tatanagar Enterprises Authorised Dealer of Force Motors Ltd, Sambalpur	Commerce/MBA (2020 & 2021 pass out)	104
17	M/s Om Associates, a sole Channel Partner of Procter & Gamble in Odisha	Arts, Science, Commerce (UG/PG - Current Final Year & 2020/2021 pass out batches)	117
18	KIIT Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar	Computer Sc., B. Sc. IST, MCA & M. Sc. ETC (UG/PG - Current Final Year & 2020/2021 pass out batches)	53

19	Evolfast Pvt. Ltd.	Computer Sc., B. Sc. IST, MCA & M. Sc. ETC (UG/PG - Current Final Year & 2020/2021 pass out batches)	50
20	Nandi Foundation (Mahindra CSR) (offered free courses)	UG/PG (All Streams/Branches/Subjects) 2020 & 2021 pass out, Current Final Year	331
21	CV RAMAN Global University, Bhubaneswar	Computer Sc., B. Sc. IST, MCA & M. Sc. ETC (UG/PG - Current Final Year & 2020/2021 pass out batches)	60
22	Evolfast Pvt. Ltd.	Arts, Science, Commerce (UG/PG - 2020/2021 pass out)	25
23	TCS_BPS Campus Recruitment 2022 (off campus)	UG (All Streams/Branches/ Subjects) Current Final Year	266
24	Cognizant · India (off campus)	UG (Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics, BSc IST) 2020 & 2021 pass out	19
25	Reliance Retail Ltd.	MBA/MBA-FM (2021/2022 pass out batch)	82
26	Evolfast Training Session	UG (All Streams/ Branches/ Subjects) 2020, 2021, Current Final Year	130
27	Aspire InfoLabs	MCA Final Year Students (2022 pass out), 70% or above 70% career	15
28	Infosys Campus Recruitment 2022 (off campus)	B. Com, B. Sc, M. Sc., MCA fresher from 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 batch	102
29	Rubicon Life Skill Training Program	UG/PG (All Streams/ Branches/ Subjects) Pre-Final Year & Current Final Year	309
30	BYJU'S-Think & Learn Pvt Ltd	Science (UG/PG), Arts (only Mathematics), BSc IST/MSc ETC, MCA	51

31	IIB & IT, International Institute for Business Studies	BBA/MBA/MBA (FM) 2020, 2021, Current Final Year	49
32	ICICI PRUDENTIAL	MBA/MBA-FM (2020 & 2021 pass out & current final year batch)	59
33	ICICI Bank Ltd.	UG/PG (2020 & 2021 pass out batch) & PG current final year batch	55
34	Trayi Consulting Pvt. Ltd.	B. Com. (2020 & 2021 passed out batch)	07
35	Reliance Retail Ltd.	MBA & MBA-FM (2021 pass out batch and current final year)	91
36	State Street HCL Services	Commerce, Economics (UG/PG) & BBA, MBA-FM	39
37	Ultra Tech Cement Ltd.	Chemistry fresher (2022 batch UG Final Year)	11
38	ZEST Learning & Consulting LLP	Commerce (UG & PG) and Management (BBA, MBA & MBA- FM)-2022 pass out batch	65
39	Go Speedy go	Science & Management (UG/PG - 2020/2021 pass out batches)	59
40	NIIT Foundation	Arts, Science, Commerce (UG/PG - Current Final Year & 2020/2021 pass out batches)	45
41	Visiontek Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd.	Arts, Science, Commerce (UG/PG - Current Final Year & 2020/2021 pass out batches)	07
42	QSpiders Company	Final Year (UG & PG)	87
43	No Broker	Arts, Science, Commerce (UG/PG - Current Final Year & 2020/2021 pass out batches)	62
44	L & T Financial Services	Arts & Commerce (2021 Pass out batch/any batch before 2021)	25

45	Dalmia Cement (Bharat) Limited	Current Final Year (MBA)	18
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17.SCHOLARSHIPS

There are three types of Scholarship students can avail through the Scholarship Portal.

1. Higher Education Department:
 - a. Gopabandhu Sikhya Sahayata Yojana
 - b. Byashakabi Fakir Mohan Bhashabruti
 - c. UG Merit Scholarship
 - d. PG Merit Scholarship
2. ST & SC and MBC Welfare Department: Post Matric Scholarship
3. National Scholarship Portal under different schemes
 - a. UGC / AICTE Schemes: University Grants Commission MHRD
 - b. Ministry of Minority Affairs
 - c. Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities
 - d. Ministry of Labour & Employment
 - e. Ministry of Tribal Affairs
 - f. Department of Higher Education

Fellowships:

1. NET-JRF-Junior Research Fellowship
2. NFSC- National Fellowship for Schedule Caste
3. NFST- National Fellowship for Scheduled Tribe
4. NFOBC- National Fellowship for Other Backward Class
5. OURIIP-Odisha University Research and Innovation Incentivization Plan
6. DAIC- Dr Ambedkar International Centre Fellowship
7. ICSSR- Indian Council for Social Science Research

18. STUDENTS' GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL MECHANISM

Grievance Management at the institutional level is a critical part of both management administration and administrative management. Grievances of students, staff and all the stake holders must be redressed in a time bound manner to achieve the goal in inclusive expansion of Higher Education through peaceful co-existence and team-based work culture. The G.M.

University has constituted its own Grievance Redressal Cell (GRC) to address all aspects of grievances received or perceived from its serving constituency. The cell has been constituted with an aim of prompt disposal of day to day grievance of the students. “**Meet the Vice Chancellor**” program is an open platform for students, teachers and parents to raise any issue of common interest in front of the honourable Vice Chancellor and other officers of the university. The G.M. University has its online Grievance Redressal Portal.

Link- <https://gmuniversity.edugrievance.com/>

19. INDUCTION PROGRAM

The Gangadhar Meher University conducts induction programs for the students after fresh admissions are completed every year. This programs are generally organized by University competent authorities in between 15days of taking admission to the University. In this induction program, introduction will be given to the students regarding vision, mission of the University, scope of the education, best practices, placement cell, IQAC, Exam cell, Library, Co-curricular activity, Computer facility etc.

20. NCC, NSS and YRC

National Cadet Corps (NCC):

The University has provision for students to join NCC for boys and girls. The selection to the NCC is made after a thorough medical examination. Each student admitted to the NCC is required to attend parades which are held on Sundays/Saturdays. NCC Training programme includes Map Reading, Field Craft, Drill/ weapon (Rifle) Training and firing at the Firing Camp. The Youth Exchange Programme is a thrilling experience for NCC cadets. Six countries are part of this programme. At the end of the training period, 'B' & 'C' Certificates Examinations are held every year. Competent N.C.C. Cadets are sent for advanced leadership course, mountaineering course, Republic Day camps and the like. Prof. Gyanaranjan Swain, Head, School of Political Science, is the faculty-in-charge of NCC.

National service Scheme (NSS):

National Service Scheme (NSS) is an integral part of the extra-curricular, service-oriented activities of the university. “Not Me But You” is the motto of NSS, and it is with the intention of selfless service that every unit of NSS within the university functions. Under the aegis of

the Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs, the NSS units of the university organize and participate periodically in programmes like Swachchata Abhiyaan, Blood Donation Camps, Women and Child Awareness and Adoption of Villages and Schools. NSS volunteers of the university enrol themselves annually for getting registered officially. They also represent the university in Adventure Camps, National Integration Camps, and the like. Dr. Pradosh Acharya, Assistant Professor, School of Botany, is currently the NSS Programme Officer.

Youth Red Cross (YRC):

As a volunteer a student can make a significant contribution to meeting the needs of the most vulnerable people within their local communities through Red Cross youth programme. The programme focuses on the following areas:

- Encouragement of community service through training and education.
- Dissemination of the seven fundamental principles of Red Cross and Red Crescent movement through activities that encourage the Red Cross ideals.
- Promote international friendship with activities that cultivate a humanitarian spirit.
- Technical support in the development of youth programmes, fund-raising, identification of material and human resources.

The youth unit aims to have young people recognized by Societies leadership as equal partners who address the needs of the most vulnerable. Dr. Bijaylaxmi Panigrahi, Associate Professor, School of Mathematics, is currently the faculty-in-charge for YRC.

21. SPORTS COUNCIL

Physical recreation through sporting activities has been a legacy of this institution since its inception. The students take part enthusiastically in the games and sports which provide a healthy diversion from academic stress and pressure. The Annual Athletic Meet is being held regularly since 1954 in which students get an opportunity to display their athletic skills and potential. There is one playground on the campus that is used for all sporting activities. The committees formed for smooth conduct of different Sports activities and participation of inter university competition. The Sports council organizes intra-university competitions and Annual Athletic Meet every year. For larger benefit of students of the university, the Sports Council facilitates different games and sports,

namely: Athletic, Football, Cricket, Volley ball, Kabaddi, Kho-kho, Badminton, Chess, Table Tennis, Carrom etc.

22. LITERARY AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

With an intention of enabling the holistic development of students, the university organises, trains and showcases the talent of students beyond academics. Various types of students' activities, cultural, literary etc. are conducted in the University campus. The Literary and Cultural Committee of the university, comprising of a vibrant team of faculty members specialized in dance, music, drama, etc. and student representatives, is actively involved in conducting a wide-range of activities for students. On a timely basis, activities like Debate, Essay Writing, Elocution, Poetry Recitation, Quiz, Drawing/Painting, Photography, Classical/Folk Dance, Classical/Light Singing, Drama/Skit, Monoaction, Antakshari and Dumb Charade are organized. The upcoming auditorium of the university is proposed to give an added impetus to the cultural activities of the university. The university also proposes to initiate Dance/Music/Drama/Cinema/Literary Clubs for students, where experts would train students through workshops and special programmes in dance forms like Odissi, Kathak, Sambalpuri folk, Hindustani classical music (both vocal and instrumental), folk music, and so on. More recently, students have been representing the university in both state-level and national-level events and winning accolades for their performances. For this, various competitions like light vocal song, classical song, folk/classical dance, drama are included in cultural activities. Similarly, in literary activities, debate, essay (from all languages), quiz, poem writing, poster presentations, etc. are included in literary activities. Time-to time faculty-student interactions in various schools are also conducted through some cultural activities.

“UNMESH” the annual literary and cultural competitions is being organized every year through which the untapped soft talents of students are given platforms to flourish. A team of teachers manages the competitions over a period of two weeks involving student volunteers.

“QUEST- The Debating Society” has been revised to create a platform for the students to discuss, debate and deliberate on issues of national and international importance. The debating society Quest was formed fifty years ago by the bright students of that time. It is so close to the hearts of large number of old students of this institution that successful products of the Gangadhar Meher College fondly remember and enquire about the Quest. The debating society

Quest is being managed by a committee of students under the direct supervision and guidance of the Deputy Registrar Dr. Uma Charan Pati.

Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA): The Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is a community engagement program being implemented in universities and colleges to involve students in programs to serve the needs of the local communities and villages. As a part of the Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan, the Gangadhar Meher University has implemented the UBA right from the first phase of its rolling out. Four villages near Sambalpur have been adopted for the purpose. The UBA incorporates community engagement and extension activities like Awareness generation, Rallies for dissemination of information and socio-economic messages, Cleaning with emphasis on swachhata, Educating rural children, Wall paintings, Bio-Composting programs etc.

24. UNIVERSITY AS A RAGGING-FREE ZONE

In compliance to the UGC let no F.1-16/2009 (CPP-II) dated, 12th Oct 2009, an Anti-Ragging committee has been working in the Gangadhar Meher University. All the members of Anti-ragging committee are vigilant in the university campus. Any kind of ragging, sexual abuse activity, harassment etc. are strictly monitored by the members. Some common locations of students are also monitored through CC-TV cameras. Time-to-time, awareness generation activities are conducted by the committee to keep students away from any activities relating to ragging. Mentors/proctors appointed at each school have been instructed to remain vigilant on activities of hostel students. Students' problems, as received by the mentors, are communicated to the concerned Hostel warden and to the Chief Warden as well for immediate intervention and necessary action. An Anti-ragging squad has been formed to make surprise visits to hostels during night times to deter borders from involving themselves in any unlawful activities. Committees of boarders have also been formed involving both senior and junior boarders to monitor activities daily and report the administration as and when needed. Details of the Anti-ragging committee members have been mentioned in Section 10. Students facing any problems may contact any of the members freely. Needless to mention that the GMU has been a ragging-free zone and there is zero tolerance to such activities which vitiate the academic atmosphere in the Amruta Vihar campus.

25.IT AND COMPUTING FACILITY

A Central Computing facility is being developed to made available general computing needs to both students and faculties of the university. The Narayani Panda Centre for IT Skills is going to be inaugurated shortly for the skilling of GMU students so that the employability of our graduates would get enhanced in the present competitive world. The university recognizes the key role that IT plays in teaching as well as in research. Therefore, it is committed to providing computing facilities of the highest standards. The facility serves as the focal point of computing resources, which are shared by all the departments and offices of the university. The Computer lab available in the school of computer science is equipped with 27 high performance computer systems. The Computer lab created in the MCA department is equipped with 26 utility systems. The Computer lab present in library is equipped with 20 high performance computers. The Professional courses Department is going to open to students a ultra-modern computer lab with 60 latest computer systems for skilling of our students of the professional courses. Dual boot operating systems are part of the systems, which give the option of either Microsoft Windows 7 or Ubuntu operating systems. The current range of software that is available in the labs includes Microsoft Office Pack, Microsoft Visual Studio, J2EE, MATLAB etc. A state-of-the-art computing facility with 84 computers is under progress at the old examination section building for enhancing the IT skills of our students. The students of Integrated B.Ed. are going to get their own computer lab with nearly 50 systems getting fixed very shortly. WI-FI connectivity to all schools and all sections of the establishment is on the cards. Currently the campus is provisioned with an internet usage facility at a speed of 100 Mbps and efforts are on to enhance the capacity to 500 Mbps in the days to come so that the benefits of 5G could be accessed by our stakeholders on campus.

26. SECURITY & SURVEILLANCE

Security and peaceful progress have been the top most priority as far the GMU administration is concerned. For 24x7 Security and effective Surveillance 16 Unarmed guards and 02 Armed guards have been deployed in the University Campus along with the hostels on out-source basis through a third-party security services provider firm, named M/s Care Security and Allied Services. Besides, CCTV cameras have been installed at vital points for better surveillance. Surprise visits to academic spaces and hostels are regular affairs in the Amruta Vihar campus for ensuring safety and security of the students and staff.

27. e-OFFICE AND MOVE TOWARDS A PAPERLESS CAMPUS

To foster the Government's "paperless campus" initiative, Gangadhar Meher University is moving rapidly towards the implementation of e-Office inside the campus. All the file movements and official matters will now be done through electronic method without the use of print-outs or hard-bound files. The move is expected to eliminate redtapism while enhancing easy time-bound file processing. The preliminaries towards the e-Office implementation through file scanning and staff training have been successfully completed. The official launching of the e-Office program has also been accomplished. With the commencement of the functioning of the new Administrative Building, the e-Office is expected to function with full efficiency inside the varsity campus. The GMU administration under the able leadership of the honorable Vice Chancellor Prof. N.Nagaraju has already submitted the expression of interest to the Govt. of Odisha for the implementation of the central digital ERP named 'SAMARTH'. Once implemented it would go a long way in ensuring complete digitalization of the processes and activities the university is associated with.

28. GANGADHAR MEHER JAYANTI

Though the institution started its journey in 1944 as 'Sambalpur College', it was eventually named as 'Gangadhar Meher College' in 1949 as a mark of honour to the well-known bard of Western Odisha Swabhabakabi Gangadhar Meher. In 2015, the autonomous college was upgraded to a unitary university as Gangadhar Meher University. As a tribute to this noted poet after whom the university was named, Gangadhar Meher Jayanti is observed annually on the day of Shravana Purnima. The university organizes various literary and cultural events and litterateurs of repute are invited to participate in seminars, symposia, etc on Gangadhar Meher.

29. UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION DAY

The Sambalpur College was established on the 7th of July 1944. Since the Sambalpur College became Gangadhar Meher College in 1949 and later upgraded to a unitary university as Gangadhar Meher University on May 30, 2015, the same day of 7th July has been adopted as the Foundation day of the institution. A decision to this effect was taken during the tenure of the first Vice Chancellor of the university Prof. Sudhansu Sekhar Rath. Hence, 7th July of every year is celebrated as the Foundation day of the institution.

30. BHIMA BHOI RESEARCH CHAIR

The Bhima Bhoi Research Chair was established in the University in the year 2018. The chair is particularly interested in the life, works and thoughts of the 19th century poet *Santhakabi* Bhima Bhoi, who spearheaded the Mahima Dharma movement at around a time when Indian society was caste-ridden and infested with dogmatic principles and orthodoxy. His writings and thoughts have influenced later generations of poets and thinkers, significantly altering the ways in which social customs and practices were perceived. Dr.Santosh Kumar Rath joined as the first chair professor and currently Dr. Pradip Kumar Panda is working as the chair professor of the Bhima Bhoi Research Chair. The BBRC is mandated to research on the life, creations and contributions of Bhima Bhoi to the odia language, literature and culture.

31. OUR PUBLICATIONS

The teaching departments of the university are actively involved in publishing academic/creative work by students, research scholars and faculty members. *Meher Pradeep* is going to be revived shortly, *Shabdaganga* is being published by the School of Odia, *Meher Journal of English Studies* by the School of English, *Commerce Katha* by the School of Commerce and *Sraddha* by the School of Sanskrit bear testimony to the vibrant intellectual and creative activity of the departments. Most of these journals/magazines are published monthly/annually on a regular basis. In addition to print publications, every department brings out Wall Magazines from time to time. Many more publications by various departments are expected in the days ahead.

32. MOUS AND COLLABORATIONS

Over the years, Gangadhar Meher University has collaborated with a number of institutions within the country with a view to strengthen academic and research acumen. These collaborative ventures have also provided unprecedented exposure to students and created new opportunities for them. In particular, the collaborations in the form of MoUs have added a new dimension and visibility to the university. Notable among the MoUs signed between G.M. University and other universities/institutions include the collaboration with Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS), Bhubaneswar, Pt. Ravi Shankar Shukla University, Raipur, Utkal University of Culture, Bhubaneswar, Odisha State Open University, Khariar Autonomous

College, Andhra Tribal University, Sambalpur Bastralaya Cooperative Society, Bargarh and the Veer Surendra Sai Institute of Medical Science and Research (VIMSAR), Burla.

33. CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (COE): ODISHA CENTER FOR GERIATRICS AND GERONTOLOGY (OCGG)

Gangadhar Meher University proposed the ‘Center of Excellence’ (CoE) on “Odisha Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology” in view of the growing aged population and their associated problems in 2019. Odisha Higher Education Program for Excellence and Equity (OHEPEE), under the Higher Education Department, Government of Odisha approved the center in the Second phase with financial assistance from World Bank; the guidelines for the establishment and operation of the CoE were notified in March 2020. The date of the inauguration of the center is 14th November 2020. The Centre is the first-ever center in the field of gerontology and geriatrics in Odisha. The prime objective of this centre is to address various issues related to the elderly population such as health problems, status of sarcopenia, economic and social security, psychological issues like anxiety, depression, dementia, sleep quality etc. In the contemporary social situation, the number of these people is growing up significantly. Ipso facto creates an imbalance in normal social life. The immediate mandate of the centre is to undertake interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research on problems faced by the elderly in Odisha. Dr. Monalisa Mahapatra, Associate Professor of Chemistry is the Coordinator of the OCGG and many Co-PIs are working under her supervision. An advisory committee involving experts from the field of geriatrics and gerontology all over the country have been formed to guide the operations of the centre of excellence. The Odisha Higher Education Council (OSHEC) under the Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Odisha is the nodal agency monitoring the progress of the centre. The centre is planning to launch a certificate program on Geriatric Care very shortly.

“Respect old people: who have walked the path before you”

Website: <https://www.gmuniversity.ac.in/odisha-center-for-geriatrics-and-gerontology-ocgg-.php>

34. DIFFERENT CELLS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Anti-Sexual Harassment Cell (SPARSH)

The Internal complaint committee under section 4(2) of the Sexual Harassment of Women at work place (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act 2013 was constituted on 1st February 2021. The Committee has been taking feedback verbally from girls and employees to prevent any harassment of the kind mentioned in the act. The name of Committee members for **Women and anti- harassment** has been mentioned in Section 10. Girl-students facing any problems can contact any of the members freely.

Right to Information Cell (RTI)

The Gangadhar Meher University has its RTI cell since 18-12-2017. The Directory of Employees was updated in 18-06-2021 under the direction of the university. Dr. Uma Kanta Mishra was appointed as the Information Officer with Dr. Banita Mahanandia as Associate Information officer. At present Dr. Ranjan Kumar Sahoo has been designated as RTI officer and Dr. Banita Mahanandia as RTI Associate officer, headed by the Registrar Mrs. Jugaleswari Dash as the FAA.

36. BEST PRACTICES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Gangadhar Meher University has many best practices to its credit and some of these best practices are-

1. Instant redressal of grievances through the 'Meet the Vice Chancellor' program.
2. The central library is opened to the students for 12 hours a day on all working days.
3. Digital availability of all certificates through the National Academic Depository (NAD)
4. Gardening on Campus
5. PWD-enabled campus

37. The Second Campus of the University

Since the existing Amruta Vihar campus is saturated in terms of availability of space, the university administration requested the government of Odisha for additional land for a second campus. With the help of the district administration a land area of nearly 70 acres has been allotted to the GMU at the Badsinghari village near Basantpur, Goshala. It is 12 KMs away from the existing campus through the new Mahanadi bridge. This campus is very close to the

campus of the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Sambalpur and the Odisha State Open University (OSOU). With the financial support of the Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Odisha, we have completed the construction of boundary walls all around the land allotted for the second campus. Foundation stone for one academic building under the world bank project (OHEPEE) has been laid recently by the honorable Minister of Higher Education Shri Rohit Pujari. Once the second campus is completed, it would ease out the space constraints of the Gangadhar Meher University.

38. EQUIPMENT FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATIONS

Gangadhar Meher University has the following equipment to facilitate innovations and for conducting fundamental research.

SI. No	Name of Equipment	Brief Description	Status/ location
	Double beam-UV-VISSpectrophotometer (UV-3200XE (LABINDIA))  (Purchased under RUSA fund))	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light source Xenon lamp, Photodiode detector • Wavelength range: 190-1100) nm. • 8 no of Cell holders • It is suitable for routine applications such as kinetics, wavelengthscan, quantitative analysis and DNA/Protein analysis etc. 	Working (In Botany laboratory)
2.	Double beam- UV-Visible Spectrophotometer (AU-2703 (Systronics)) with thermostated cell compartment (peltier system)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light source: Tungsten Deuterium lamp • Wavelength range: 190-1100) nm. • 2 no of Cell holders • Working temperature = 15-60°C • It is suitable for routine applications such as kinetics, wave-length scan, quantitative analysis and DNA/Protein analysis etc. 	Working (In room no 52)

	 <p>Purchased under OURIIP project of Dr. Suprava Nayak</p>		
<p>3.</p>	<p>Fluorescence Spectrophotometer F-7000 (HITACHI): (Purchase under RUSA grant)</p>  <p>"PURCHASED UNDER RUSA GRANT"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High S/N: 800 (RMS), 250 (Peak to Peak) • High-Speed Scan at 60,000 nm/min • Measurement of fluorescent materials, • Phosphorescence measurement, • FRET (Fluorescence Resonance Energy Transfer) • BRET (Bioluminescence Resonance Energy Transfer) 	<p>Working (Room no. 48)</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>FTIR- Spectrometer (ALPHA-II) Bruker</p>  <p>Purchased under RUSA Fund))</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurement Range - 500-4000 cm⁻¹ • Used for Functional group detection • Both pallet and ATR mode of analysis possible • Samples such as liquids, powders, or pastes can be easily placed on the diamond ATR crystal and are analyzed in a matter of seconds. 	<p>Working (Botany laboratory)</p>

<p>5.</p>	<p>Hand operated Hydraulic Press</p>  <p>Purchased under RUSA Fund</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For preparation of pellet to take IR spectrum. • Pressure can be applied manually • 	<p>Working (Botany laboratory)</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Refrigerated Centrifuge Machine:</p>  <p>Purchased under RUSA Fund</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programable Speed Regulator • Digital temperature controller cum indicator • Max speed 18000 rpm. 	<p>Working (Botany laboratory)</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Centrifuge machine: (REMI)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max Speed-5000 rpm • At room temperature 	<p>Working (Botany laboratory)</p>

<p>8.</p>	<p>Laminar horizontal flow bench:</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To release air, which is free from contaminants • To prevent contamination of biological samples or any particle sensitive materials. • 	<p>Working (Botany laboratory)</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Seed Germinator (Make-INISIF)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used for normal seed germination and for various other tests involving microorganisms, plants ,tissues etc 	<p>Working (Botany laboratory)</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>Muffle Furnace</p>  <p>Purchased under OURIIP project of Dr.Pranati Purohit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows rapid high-temperature heating, • It isolates the samples from the fuel and the combustion to eliminate contamination of the samples. 	<p>Working (Physics research lab)</p>

11.	<p>Ball mill</p>  <p>Purchased under OURIIP project of Dr.Pranati Purohit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To grind or blend materials for use in mineral dressing processes, paints, pyrotechnics, ceramics, and selective laser sintering. • Size reduction is done by metal balls • 	<p>Working (Physics research lab)</p>
12.	<p>Ultrasonic Cleaner</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It uses high-frequency, high-intensity sound waves in a liquid to facilitate or enhance the removal of foreign contaminants from surfaces submerged in an ultrasonically activated liquid. 	<p>Working (Physics research lab)</p>
13.	<p>Single distillation unit</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A water distiller is a machine that purifies water by removing more than 99.9% of contaminants, including chemicals, heavy metals, microorganisms and sediment. 	<p>Working (Chemistry lab for PG)</p>

<p>14.</p>	<p>Hot Air Oven</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot air ovens is used to dry heat (hot air mixture) for sterilization of laboratory equipment • Temperature adjustment through control knob. • Digital display of temperature. 	<p>Workin g (Physics research lab)</p>
<p>15.</p>	<p>V.D.R.L Shaker</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Type of movement- Rotational • Speed range is 70 - 210 RPM. • Speed can be controlled through variable speed regulator knob. 	<p>Workin g (Physics research lab)</p>

HOLIDAY LIST FOR 2022

SL. No	Name of the Festival	Date	Day	No. of Days
1.	New Year's Day	01.01.2022	Saturday	01
2.	Makar Sankranti	14.01.2022	Friday	01
3.	Pausapurnima	17.01.2022	Monday	01
4	Basanta Panchami	05.02.2022	Saturday	01
5.	MahaShivaratri	01.03.2022	Tuesday	01
6.	Day Following Mahashivaratri	02.03.2022	Wednesday	01
7.	Panchayatiraj Divas	05.03.2022	Saturday	01
8.	Dola Purnima	18.03.2022	Friday	01
9.	Holi	19.03.2022	Saturday	01
10.	Utkal Divas	01.04.2022	Friday	01
11.	MahaVishuvaSankranti/Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Jayanti	14.04.2022	Thursday	01
12.	Good Friday	15.04.2022	Friday	01
13.	Idul Fitr	03.05.2022	Tuesday	01
14.	Summer Vacation	10.05.2022 to 17.06.2022	Tuesday to Friday	34 days (Excluding 5 Sundays)
15.	Ratha Yatra	01.07.2022	Friday	01
16.	Bahuda	09.07.2022	Saturday	01
17.	Muharram	09.08.2022	Tuesday	01
18.	Rakhi Purnima	11.08.2022	Thursday	01
19	Janmastami	18.08.2022	Thursday	01
20	Ganesh Puja	31.08.2022	Wednesday	01
21	Nuakhai	01.09.2022	Thursday	01
22	Puja Vacation	30.09.22 to 08.10.2022	Friday to Saturday	08 (Excluding 1 Sunday)
23	Diwali/Kalipuja	24.10.2022	Monday	01
24	Rahasa Purnima	8.11.2022	Tuesday	01
25	Chhadakhai	9.11.2022	Wednesday	01
26	Prathamasthami	16.11.2022	Wednesday	01
27	X-Mas Holiday	26.12.2022 to 31.12.2022	Monday to Saturday	06

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Janaganamana adhinayaka jaya he

Bharatha bhagya vidhata;

Punjaba Sindhu Gujurata Marata

Dravida Uthkala Vanga;

Vindhaya Himachala Yamuna Ganga

Uchchhala Jaladhi taranga;

Tava shubha name jage

Tava shuba asisha mage;

Gahe tava jaya gatha

Janagana Mangala dayaka Jaya he

Bharatha Bhagya vidhatha

Jayhe! Jayahe! Jayahe!

Jaya Jaya Jaya Jayahe!

ENGLISH TRANSLATION

Thou art the ruler of the minds of all people
Thou Dispenser of India's destiny;
Thy name rouses the hearts of the people of

Punjab, Sindhu, Gujurat and Marata,
of Dravid, Orissa and Bengal;
It echoes in the hills of the Vindhyas and Himalayas;
And is chanted by the waves of the Indian Sea;

They pray for Thy blessings, and sing Thy praise
Thou Dispenser of India's destiny.
Victory, Victory, Victory to Thee!