

**SRI G.V.G. VISALAKSHI COLLEGE FOR WOMEN**

Autonomous & Affiliated to Bharathiar University  
Accredited at A+ Grade by NAAC [ 5th Cycle ]  
Udumalpet – 642128, Tamil Nadu.

## INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

### **Bridging the Gap: Engaging Students and Communities through Socially Responsible Curriculum Integration**

Sri G.V.G Visalakshi College for Women with its 72 years of educational legacy envisions to empower women to be socially responsible citizens.

The college seamlessly strives to realize a transformation in the society by educating young women through a quality curriculum.

Envisaging the paradigm shift in educational scenario the Institution is committed to provide socially responsible transformative curriculum by offering 2 credits for outreach activities that includes service-learning projects, community-based research, internships and outreach programmes that enable students to engage directly with community issues, fostering a sense of responsibility towards society.

1) **The DBT star college scheme** implemented at our institution effectively empowers students for advanced education and careers, bridging gaps in science education from early schooling.

Major objectives of the scheme is to

- Develop standard curriculum.
- Provide practical training into the curriculum.
- Enhance conceptual understanding through small-scale projects.
- Visits to industries, research institutions, or places of academic value.
- Face-to-face discussions with eminent scientists, and career counselling
- Networking with other institutions through MoU's
- Provide them clear roadmap towards higher education and research.
- Popularizing Science

The exposure of the students to the community through their services is the hall

mark of this DST Scheme.

2) **Young scientist student programme** is an initiative of Tamilnadu State Council for Science and Technology towards bridging the gap between school and college education through Promotion and development of Science and Technology.

- Institution was selected to conduct the two weeks training programme for 80 Class IX students from various schools of two districts.
- Students were made to work on Scientific Exhibits/Models.
- More than 50 models and Scientific exhibits showcased the excellence of students learning from the program. Our students supported them in creating models.

3) **Community outreach programme** is a part of **curriculum mandate** for the final year students.

- It opens up opportunities to address community needs while **earning academic credit**.
- It was planned to conduct community outreach programs by addressing the gaps in implementing government schemes and also to create awareness on financial literacy for empowerment of women
- Students advocate for social welfare schemes to raise awareness and accessibility among villagers lacking benefits.

**Implementation Methodology:** Each department identified neighbouring villages where there are

**gaps in accessing the government schemes**, schemes offered by banks and educational literacy.

The gaps are addressed through outreach for covering all aspects like environmental, health, national integrity, human values, gender sensitization and were also taught to meet the challenges of disaster management and to cope with current trend in digital literacy.

4) Under Part IV in the curriculum, **fostering value based education UGC-Community College** offered certificate course on child care and creche management. As an outcome, the first day care center “TotVille” was established

in Udumalpet.

5) Through **Unnath Bharath Abhiyan**, 5 villages were provided services to engage infelt and unfelt needs of villagers.