## Rampurhat College 2020-21

## 7.3 Institutional Distinctiveness

Keeping in mind the socio-economic condition of students, who hail mainly from the adjacent rural areas inhabited by lower income groups, the college has taken utmost care to provide these students good opportunities of skill oriented studies. Skill-oriented topics have been incorporated already by the affiliating University (the University of Burdwan) within the college curriculum, particularly, in the syllabi of English, History, Philosophy, Economics, Mathematics, Commerce, and Zoology. The college operates in three shifts namely Morning, Day and Evening shifts. The college has constructed the Hamilton Museum of Fresh Water Fishes which is maintained by the Department of Zoology. This is unique in nature in this locality. With an aim to serve the locality of adjacent rural areas, the NSS Student Units of the college conduct frequent awareness and service camps on issues of environment, health and sustainability such as cleaning of garbage, AIDS awareness camps, Blood Donation Camps and prevention drive against Dengue in villages surrounding the college area. However in this year under the threat of Covid19 pandemic the NSS wing of the institution could not organize camps as it require involvement a lot of people. The institution stresses on outreach programmes and inculcates in its students an awareness of the value of a holistic education and empathy for the less privileged sections of society. The college rallies round during natural and manmade calamities such as Covid19 pandemic and cyclonic ravages caused by 'Amfan' and 'Yas'. During these times it becomes a collection centre for relief materials. Packaging of these items by the students and transportation to distribution centres is a part of the institution's commitment. Rampurhat College has collaborated with Kohima Science College, Nagaland and IITM, Pune for academic research on atmospheric science and country wide Lightning Location Network respectively.



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