# KUVEMPU UNIVERSITY REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE AUDIT COMMITTEE

# Introduction

Kuvempu University is a State University established in 1987 by an Act of the Legislature of the Government of Karnataka. The University is located in a pollution-free beautiful environment at Shankaraghatta, 28 kilometers from the town of Shivamogga. The territorial jurisdiction of the University is spread over the districts of Shivamogga, and Chikkamagalur with a regional Post-Graduate centre at Kadur.

The University has 40 Post-Graduate departments of studies in the faculties of Arts, Science, Commerce, Education and Law, offering 44 Post-Graduate Programs, 4 P.G. Diploma and one Under-Graduate program all offered through semester under CBCS. There are 95 affiliated colleges, three constituent colleges (among three, one is an autonomous college), one other autonomous college, one B. P. Ed. college, and 17 B.Ed. colleges under its jurisdiction. The university is offering courses through distance education since 2002-03. At present 22 PG, 05 UG and 04 PG diploma courses are offered through the directorate of Distance Education on annual basis. The University was accredited with three stars by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in the first cycle during 2002 followed by a B grade with the CGPA of 2.89, in the second cycle of accreditation during 2012. The University is preparing to go through its 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle of accreditation during 2017.

In this context, the University has constituted an Academic and Administrative Audit Committee in accordance with the NAAC rules consisting of the following members:

1.	Prof. P. Venkataramaiah Former Vice Chancellor, Kuvempu University	 Chairman
2.	Prof. K. Chidananda Gowda Former Vice Chancellor, Kuvempu University	 Member
3.	Prof. V. G. Talawar Former Vice Chancellor, University of Mysore	 Member
4.	Prof. B. Thimme Gowda Former Vice Chancellor, Bangalore University	 Member

5.	Prof. Ali Raza Moosvi 3 Professor, Dept. of Geography Central University of Karnataka - Gulbarga.	 Member
6.	Prof. M. Dinesh Kumar Professor, Dept. of Agronomy University of Agriculture and Horticultural Science Shimoga	 Member
7.	Prof. Rajendra Chenni Department of English, Kuvempu University	 Member
8.	Prof. Syed Ashfaq Ahmed Director, PMEB	 Member
9.	Prof. V Krishna Secretary <i>Director, IQAC</i>	 Member

The AAA Committee visited all the Departments and Central facilities on 15 and 16 March 2017 to assess and offer suggestions for development and quality enhancement so as to enable the University to take necessary action before submitting itself to the process of NAAC accreditation. The committee also interacted with officers and staff of the administration, examination, finance, information technology division, women empowerment cell, NSS coordinator, Directorate of Distance Education, PG students, research scholars, administrative and supportive staff. The committee further visited central facilities including the central library, boys' and girls' hostels. It has prepared a consolidated report on the departments, central facilities, administrative and examination wings of the university. The report of the committee is given as follows:

#### I. DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

1.	Year of establishment	1991
2.	Programmes offered	M.Sc. (Regular, CBCS),
		M.Sc. (Distance Mode)
		Ph.D. in Physics
3.	Intake	44 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate
		Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)
5.	Existing Faculty	3 Professors (1DR+2 on CAS) + 1 Assistant
		Professor

- 6. Guest faculty 05 at the level of Assistant Professors
- 7. Non-teaching Staff02 (SDA and Attender)
- 8. No. of students currently on rolls M.Sc. 42 + 41 = 83

Ph.D. 05

- 9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided -19, In progress: 22
- 10. Faculty Publications (2010-15) 120 research papers
- 11. Major research projects: Completed 2 (UGC-Rs 1123800; UGC Rs. 841298)
- 12 UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 15 candidates qualified.

### 13. Observations:

#### a. Strengths:

- Enthusiastic young faculty.
- All the faculty are active in research.
- Involvement of faculty in the process of talent search among school children.
- Publications are made in high impact factor journals.

#### b. Limitations:

- The faculty members are overburdened with heavy teaching workload.
- Inadequate infrastructure facilities.
- With limited research facilities in the department efforts are made to use experimental facilities in other institutions.

#### 14. **Recommendations:**

- Steps to be taken to provide faculty strength as per UGC norms.
- Need to strengthen research facilities.
- E-resources to be used for effective teaching.
- Intra collaborative research programs to be initiated among the faculty.
- Collaborative research in material science with department of chemistry be initiated.
- Department may explore possibilities of getting additional sponsored and point research projects.

# **II.DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY**

 Year of establishment
 Programmes offered
 M.Sc. (Regular, CBCS), M.Sc. (Distance Mode)

		Ph.D. in Che	mistry
3.	Intake	44 students e	ach / Ph.D. as per UGC regulation.
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (1Professor + 2 Associate	
		Professor + 3	Assistant Professors)
5.	Existing Faculty	3 Professors (1DR+2 on CAS) +1 Assistant	
	Professor		
6.	Guest faculty	06 at the leve	l of Assistant Professors
7.	Non-teaching staff	04	
8.	No. of students currently	on rolls	M.Sc. $40 + 38 = 78$
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- Ph.D. 10
- 9. Citations of the faculty for the period: 5152
- 10. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided 36; In progress 24
- 11. Major Research Projects: Completed 7 (DST Rs 25,67,584: UGC Rs 12,39,800: UGC Rs 8,50800: DST Rs 33,75,680: UGC Rs 809800: VTU Rs 19,11,000: SERB Rs 12,00,000)
- 12. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 06 candidates qualified.

### a. Strengths:

- It's one of the active departments in the university.
- Faculty have contributed substantially for teaching and research.
- They have executed a good number of research projects and published papers in high impact journals.
- The department has successfully completed SAP-1.
- It has successfully guided 35 Ph.D., during last five years.

#### b. Limitations:

- The faculty members are overburdened with heavy workload.
- Inadequate space.
- The department is deprived of SAP-2 for want of required faculty

#### 14. Recommendations:

- The department needs to be strengthened with additional faculty and space.
- It shall explore collaborative industrial projects.
- ICT and equipment facilities need to be strengthened.
- Laboratory facility to be provided according to the strength (intake) of the students.
- Steps to be taken to improve the stabilized power supply.

- Equipment and consumable annual grants are to be increased.
- University-Industry linkages involving consultancy services be initiated.

# **III.DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY**

- 1. Year of establishment 1973 2. Programmes offered M.Sc. (Regular, CBCS), M.Phil. in Industrial Chemistry Ph.D. in Industrial Chemistry 3. Intake 44 students each /Ph.D. as per UGC regulations 4. Faculty Details Sanctioned Post (1 Professor + 2 Associate Professors + 3 Assistant Professors) 5. Existing Faculty 2 Professors (1DR+1CAS) + 2 Assistant professors 6. Guest faculty 04 at the level of Assistant Professors 7. Non-teaching staff 04 8. No. of students currently on rolls M.Sc. 41 + 40 = 81
  - Ph.D. 05
- 9. Faculty Publications (2010-15)227 research papers10. Ph.D. guidance:Successfully guided 40, In progress: 24
- 11. Major Research Projects: Completed 7 (BRNS Rs 19,50,000: UGC Rs 708756: Wichita state university Rs 12,20,000: NRB Rs10,00,000: UGC Rs 75,00,000:UGC Rs 7,58,000: UGC Rs 7,50,000: UGC Rs 6,44,340)
- 12. Departmental projects funded by DST-National Nano mission
- 13. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 06 candidates qualified
- 14. Patents: One national patent filed.

#### 15. Observations:

#### a. Strengths:

- It's one of the oldest departments in the university.
- Faculty have contributed for substantially for teaching and research.
- The department has executed a good number of research projects and published papers in high impact factor Journals.
- Alumni of the department are well placed in industry and research institutions.
- Citation index of publications is quite good.

#### b. Limitations:

- Inadequate Permanent staff.
- Not many current sponsored research projects.

#### 16. Recommendations:

• The department needs to be strengthened with additional faculty and

infrastructure

- ICT and equipment facilities need to be strengthened.
- Department-industry interaction needs to be improved.

# **IV. DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY**

- 1. Year of establishment 2005 2. Programmes offered M.Sc. (Regular, CBCS), Ph.D. in Biochemistry 3. Intake 39 students /Ph.D. as per UGC regulations 4. Faculty Details Sanctioned Post (1 Professor + 2 Associate Professors + 3 Assistant Professors) 2 Associate professors + 2 Assistant professors 5. Existing Faculty 6. Guest faculty 05 at the level of Assistant Professors 03 7. Non-teaching staff 8. No. of students currently on rolls M.Sc. 44 + 31 = 75
- 9. Faculty Publications (2010-15) 70 research papers
- 10. Citations of the faculty during the period: 1160
- 11. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided: 31, In progress: 28
- 12. Major Research Projects: Completed 7 (Pennsylvania university US\$ 50000: UGC Rs 1640000: VGST Rs 5,00,000: UGC Rs 750000: UGC Rs 8,94,000)
- 13. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 06 candidates qualified

#### 14. Observations:

#### a. Strengths

- The department has good academic atmosphere.
- Academic performance, research output and placement of students are very good.
- The department has an international research collaborative project.

#### b. Limitations:

• Inadequate faculty and space.

#### **15. Recommendations:**

- More space for laboratories be provided.
- Collaborative research to be strengthened.
- Need to fill up the vacant faculty positions.

# V. DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACEUTICAL-CHEMISTRY (PG-CENTER KADUR)

1. Year of establishment	2007	
2. Programmes offered	M.Sc. (Regula	ar, CBCS),
	M.Phil. in Ph	armaceutical Chemistry
	Ph.D. in Phar	maceutical Chemistry
3. Intake	39 students e	ach /Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4. Faculty Details	Sanctioned P	osts (1 Professor + 2 Associate
	professors + 3	3 Assistant Professors)
5. Existing Faculty	1 Professor +	1 Associate Professor
6. Guest faculty	10 at the leve	l of Assistant Professors
7. Non-teaching staff	01	
8. No. of students currently	on rolls	M.Sc. $34 + 36 = 70$
9. Faculty Publications (201	0-15)	58 research papers
10. Citations of the faculty for	or the period:	490

11. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided: 09, In progress: 09

12. Major Research Projects: Completed 7 (UGC Rs 7,29,000: ICMR Rs 2,50,000)

#### 13. Observations:

#### a. Strengths

- One of the active departments in the PG-Center, Kadur.
- Faculty members are very active in teaching, research and extension programmes.
- The placement opportunity of the output is extremely good.

#### b. Limitations:

• Inadequate space and faculty.

#### 14. Recommendations:

- More space for laboratories be provided.
- Additional faculty are to be provided as per UGC norms.

# VI. DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY (PG-CENTER KADUR)

1.	Year of establishment	2012
2.	Programmes offered	M.Sc. (Regular, CBCS),
		Ph.D. in Chemistry
3.	Intake	39 students/Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Post (1 Professor + 2 Associate
		professors + 3 Assistant Professors)

5. Existing Faculty	1 Professor	
6. Guest faculty	5 at the level	of Assistant Professors
7. Non-teaching staff	01	
8. No. of students currently	on rolls	M.Sc. $33 + 35 = 68$
9. Faculty Publications (2010	)-15)	127 research papers
10. Books published		02
11. Monographs		01
12. Chapters in Books		01
13. Citations of the faculty for	the period:	1648
14. Ph.D. guidance: Successfu	lly guided: 14	Ł

15. Major Research Projects: Completed 7 currently DST Rs 1,20,000: ICMR Rs 5,50,000

#### 16. **Observations:**

#### a. Strength:

- The Faculty members are active in research and published papers in good journals, the faculty have interdisciplinary research projects.
- Successfully guided a good number of Ph.D. scholars.

#### b. Limitations:

- No sanctioned faculty.
- Inadequate space

#### 17. Recommendations:

- Steps to be taken to create positions and recruitment of the faculty as per the UGC norms.
- The department need to be provided with adequate space and faculty

# VII.DEPARTMENT OF KANNADA BHARATHI

1. Year of establishment	1973
2. Programmes offered	M.A. Kannada (Regular, CBCS),
	M.A. (Distance)
	Ph.D. in Kannada
3. Intake	67 students Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4. Faculty Details	Sanctioned Post (1 Professor + 2 Associate
	Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)
5. Existing Faculty	03 Professors (1 direct + 2 on CAS) +
	01 Assistant Professor
6. Guest faculty	1 at the level of Assistant Professors

7. Non-teaching staff 2	
8. No. of students currently on rolls	M.A. 46
	Ph.D. 08
9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided:	44; In progress 36
10. Faculty Publications (2010-15)	63
11. Citations of the faculty for the period:	
12. Edited Books:	25
13. Books Published:	32
14. Post-doctoral fellow:	05
15. Major Research Projects:	02 Completed (UGC Rs 8,30,000)
16. UGC NET/KSET eligibility:	67 candidates qualified
17. Awards:	04

- 18. Projects ongoing: 03 (UGC Rs 1,30,000:UGC Rs 5,80,000:UGC Rs 5,40,000)
- 19. Departmental projects: (Kannada language development projects Rs 10000000: UGC SAP Rs 4,50,000)

#### a. Strengths:

- One of the oldest and very active department on the campus with committed faculty.
- It has Janapada Museum and Computer Training Center
- Faculty have successfully guided about 44 Ph.D. students during the last 5 years.
- Large number of publications
- Large number of graduates are NET/SLET qualified
- The Department has successfully executed one crore project from Kannada Development Authority.

#### b. Limitations:

• Inadequate faculty due to ban on recruitment.

#### 21. Recommendations:

- Steps to be taken to fill up vacant faculty positions.
- Courses on Comparative literature be explored.
- Folklore museum be strengthened
- New media course be introduced.

#### **DEPARTMENT OF SANSKRIT** VIII.

1.	Year of establishment	1993
2.	Programmes offered	M.A. Sanskrit (Regular, CBCS),
	C	Ph.D. in Sanskrit
3.	Intake	48 students / Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (2 Associate Professors +
		01 Assistant Professor)
5.	Existing Faculty	01 Assistant Professor
6.	Guest faculty	03 at the level of Assistant Professors
7.	Non-teaching staff	01
8	No. of students currently of	on rolls MA 11

8. No. of students currently on rolls9. Faculty Publications (2010-15)MA 1102 research papers

#### **10. Observations:**

- a. Strengths:
  - Students from marginalized section of society are encouraged to study Sanskrit

#### **b.** Limitations:

Inadequate Permanent faculty. ٠

#### **11. Recommendations:**

- Steps to be taken to provide adequate member of faculty as per UGC • norms.
- Department may plan to offer certificate and diploma courses in Sanskrit for the benefit of students of non-Sanskrit background.
- Research projects of interdisciplinary nature be explored

#### IX. **DEPARTMENT OF HINDI**

1.	Year of establishment	1993
2.	Programmes offered	M.A. Hindi (Regular, CBCS),
		Ph.D. in Hindi
3.	Intake	45 students / Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts - 1 Associate Professor + 1
		Assistant Professor
5.	Existing Faculty	01 Assistant Professor
6.	Guest faculty	02 at the level of Assistant Professors
7.	Non-teaching staff	02
8.	No. of students currently o	n rolls MA 01

#### Ph.D. 03

9.	Faculty Publications (2010-15)	04 Research papers
10	. Books Published	01 Book

#### **11. Observations:**

• Number of students taking Hindi for study is limited.

#### **12. Recommendations:**

• To attract more number of students to study Hindi, department may offer certificate and diploma courses in Hindi.

#### X. DEPARTMENT OF URDU

1.	Year of establishment	1993
2.	Programmes offered	M.A. Urdu (Regular, CBCS),
		Ph.D. in Urdu
3.	Intake	48 students / Ph D. as per UGC regulations
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 2 Assistant
		Professors
5.	Existing Faculty	NIL:Faculty from the UG-Constituent college
	Coordinates the programmes 3 fa	culty members superannuated recently.
6.	Guest faculty	3 at the level of Assistant Professors
7.	Non-teaching staff	01
8.	No. of students currently on rolls	5 16 MA
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9. Faculty Publications (2010-15) 04 research papers

#### 10. Observations:

- Urdu language being studied even by the students of non-Urdu background.
- Department has no permanent faculty after the retirement of 3 faculty members recently.

#### 11. Recommendations:

- Urgent need to appoint regular faculty.
- System of encouraging students of non-Urdu background to study Urdu be continued and strengthened.

# **XI. DEPARTMENT OF MATHAMATICS**

1. Year of establishment	1975	
2. Programs offered	M.Sc. (CBCS), M.Sc. (Distance Mode), Ph.D.	
3. Intake	60, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation	
4. Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate	
	Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)	
5. Existing Faculty	1 Professors (1 CAS) + 2 Assistant Professors	
6. Guest faculty	03 at the level of Assistant Professors	
7. Non-teaching Staff	02	
8. No. of students during the	e period	
a. M.Sc. student's strength: 120		
b. Ph.D. student's strength: 22		
9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided :35		
10. Faculty Publications (2010-15): 312 research papers		
11. Books published	13	
12. Chapters in Books 03		
13. Citations of the faculty for the period: 1157, h-index: 41		
14. Major research projects: Ongoing 1 (Rs. 24,50,000)		

15. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 11 Candidates qualified.

#### 16. Observations:

#### a. Strengths:

- The Department has one Emeritus Professor
- One assistant professor awarded Raman Post-doctoral fellowship.
- The Enthusiastic young faculties are actively engaged in research and completed research projects worth of Rs.24.50 Lakhs obtained from various agencies. Presently, department has one ongoing sponsored project.
- Apart from traditional method of teaching, the department has adopted ICT tools in delivering various aspects of teaching and research work. It has two class rooms with ICT facility and one mathematical laboratory provided with LAN and Wi-Fi connectivity.
- The students are provided with adequate knowledge in basic mathematics, computer and software related skills with better job opportunities. Advanced computer languages and software's have been included in the curriculum (C-programming, MATLAB, MATHEMATICA, MAPLE, Coral draw and LATEX).

- During the period of 2010-11 to 2015-16, a total of 312 research papers have been published, eleven candidates are qualified in UGC, NET & KSET and 35 alumni have been employed in prestigious colleges and companies.
- Efforts are made to use experimental facilities of other institutions to conduct experiments for advanced research.

#### b. Limitations:

- Inadequate Permanent staff.
- Advanced lab facilities are limited

#### 17. Recommendations:

- The department needs to be strengthened with additional faculty and infrastructure facilities.
- It needs to be active in procuring research projects and strengthening collaborative research programs.
- Strengthening of computer laboratory by the addition of multi-user software's in place of single user software.

# XII. DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTR SCIENCE:

1.	Year of establishment	Computer Science: 2002, MCA: 2000
2.	Programs offered	MCA, M.Sc. (Computer Science), Ph.D.
3.	Intake	44 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (2 Professors + 4 Associate
		Professors + 8 Assistant Professors)
5.	Existing Faculty	4 Assistant Professor
6.	Guest faculty	09 at the level of Assistant Professors
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- 7. Non-teaching Staff04
- 8. No. of students during the period
  - a. MCA student's strength: 23+18+14=55
  - b. M.Sc. student's strength: 37+40 = 77
  - c. Ph.D. strength: 11
- 9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided: 08
- 10. Faculty Publications (2010-15): 85 research papers
- 11. Book Chapter
- 12. Citations of the faculty during the period: 260
- 13. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 04 candidates qualified.

#### 14. Observations:

a. Strength

- Advanced computer facility with LCD based teaching, hands on session, practical sessions languages are being included in the curriculum.
- The students have adequate knowledge in basic computers and software related skills having better job opportunities.
- The Department has four class rooms with ICT facility and three student laboratories and one research laboratory well provided with LAN and Wi-Fi connectivity.
- During the period of 2010-11 to 2015-16, a total of 85 research papers were published four candidates were qualified in UGC, NET and KSET and eight of the alumni have been employed in prestigious colleges and companies.

#### b. Limitations:

- Inadequate permanent staff.
- Not many current sponsored research projects.

#### c. **Recommendations**:

- The department needs to be strengthened with additional faculty and infrastructure
- University-industry interaction needs to be improved.
- Steps to be taken to increase student admission. It should also strengthen campus recruitment.

# **XIII. DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS**

1. Year of establishment	2003	
2. Programmes offered	M.Sc., Ph.D.	
3. Intake	39 students	each Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
4. Faculty Details	Sanctioned	Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate
	Professors +	- 3 Assistant Professors)
5. Existing Faculty	1 Assistant 1	Professor
6. Guest faculty	04 at the lev	el of Assistant Professors
7. Non-teaching Staff	02	
8. No. of students during the	e period	
a. M.Sc. strength:	22 + 3	37= 57
b. Ph.D. strength rang	ges from:	06
9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfu	ılly guided:	7
10. Faculty Publications (2010-15):		16 research papers
11. Books published		01
12. Chapters in Books		01

- 13. Citations of the faculty during the period: 15
- 14. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 09 candidates qualified.

- a. Strength
  - The students are provided with adequate knowledge in basic electronics, computer and software related skills with better job opportunities.
  - The Department has class rooms with ICT facility and two student laboratories and one research laboratory are provided with LAN and Wi-Fi connectivity.
  - During the period of 2010-11 to 2015-16, a total of 16 research papers were published. There were nine UGC, NET and KSET passed candidates.

#### b. Limitations:

• Inadequate faculty strength

#### c. **Recommendations**:

- Spreading of awareness about the scope of the subject among the UG students.
- The department needs to be strengthened with additional faculty and infrastructure including research laboratory.
- The department needs to develop a system to create awareness about scope of the subject among the UG students.

# **XIV. DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY**

1.	Year of establishment	1992 started as Life Sciences and in
		2000 re-designated as Biotechnology
2.	Programmes offered	M.Sc. and Ph.D.
3.	Intake	MSc, 44 students; Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
10.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (1Professor + 2 Associate
		Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)
4.	Existing Faculty	3 Professors (1 DR + 2 on CAS) + 3 Assistant
		Professors
5.	Guest faculty	03 at the level of Assistant Professors
6.	Non-teaching Staff	03
7.	No. of students during the	period

a. M.Sc. student's strength: 33 + 36= 69

- b. Ph.D. student's strength: 42
- 8. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided: 41
- 10. Faculty Publications (2010-15): 277
- 11. Chapters in Books
- 12. Total Citations of the faculty for the period: 7331
- 13. Major research projects: Ongoing 4 (Rs. 495 lakhs)
- 14. UGC NET/KSET eligibility candidates: 08 candidates qualified.

#### a. Strength

- It is one of the potential departments having two class rooms with ICT facility and two well equipped student laboratories and three research laboratories with LAN and Wi-Fi connectivity.
- The Department has major equipment namely, HPLC, Bioreactor, GLC, Mili-Q-water purification system, Refrigerated centrifuge, Thermo Cycler, 2D Gel Electrophoresis unit, CO2 Incubator, Inverted Binocular Microscope.
- There are four ongoing sponsored Research Projects funded by UGC, DBT and DST. In association with biological science departments the department of Biotechnology has BUILDER worth oRs.449 Lakhs funded by DBT New Delhi.
- During the period, a total of 277 research papers have been published, with google total citation of 7331. There are two post-doctoral students studying in the department and 26 of the alumni have been employed in various prestigious colleges and companies.
- In Lab to land extension activity, the department has established Banana tissue culture laboratory and supplied plantlets to the farmers at the subsidized rates.

#### b. Limitations:

- Inadequate space and furniture for research scholars.
- Lack of animal house facility.

#### 16. Recommendations:

- More space for laboratories to be provided.
- Additional faculty are to be provided as per UGC norms.
- Additional computers and software for bioinformatics laboratory.
- Providing of uninterrupted power supply to maintain bioactive chemicals and enzymes.

277 research papers

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# XV. DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED BOTANY

1. Year of establishment	1993
2. Programs offered	M.Sc. (Regular), M.Sc. (Distance Mode), M.Phil,
	Ph.D.
3. Intake	44 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
4. Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate
	Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)
5. Existing Faculty	5 Professors (1DR+4 on CAS) + 1 Assistant
	Professor
6. Guest faculty	03 at the level of Assistant Professors
7. Non-teaching Staff	02
8. No. of students during the	1
a. M.Sc. student's str	0
b. Ph.D. student's stre	8
9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfu	5.0
10. Faculty Publications (2010	,
11. Chapters in books	03
12. Citations of the faculty for	1
13. Major research projects:	Ongoing 2 (Rs 31 lakhs)
14. UGC NET/KSET:	05 candidates qualified.

#### 15. Observations:

#### a. Strength

- The students are provided with adequate knowledge in both basic and advanced botanical science.
- The Department has experienced, and enthusiastic professors active in research funded projects.
- It has two ongoing sponsored Research Projects with a total funding of Rs.31.00 Lakhs.
- During the period of assessment, a total of 193 research papers have been published with google citation of 1089 and five candidates are qualified in UGC, NET and KSET.

#### b. Limitations:

• The Department needs strengthening of botanical garden and botanical museum for effective practical training.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Inter departmental, and inter-institutional collaborations need to be improved.
- ICT and equipment facilities need to be strengthened.
- University -industry interaction needs to be improved.
- Online/short term certificate courses shall be offered

# XVI. DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED ZOOLOGY:

- 1. Year of establishment 1993 2. Programmes offered M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D. 3. Intake 44 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation 4. Faculty Details Sanctioned Posts (1Professor + 2 Associate Professors + 3 Assistant Professors) 5. Existing Faculty 3 Professors (1DR+2 on CAS) 6. Guest faculty 06 at the level of Assistant Professors 7. Non-teaching Staff 03 8. No. of students during the period a. M.Sc. student's strength: 88 b. Ph.D. student's strength :14 9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided -17 10. Faculty Publications (2010-15): 71 research papers 11. Monographs 07 Book Chapter 03
  - 13. Citations of the faculty for the period: 153
  - 14. Major research projects: Ongoing 2 (Rs 11 lakhs)
  - 15. UGC NET/KSET eligibility candidates: 06 candidates qualified.

#### 16. **Observations:**

#### a. Strength

• It has two class rooms with ICT facility and two student laboratory and two research laboratories. The Department has two ongoing sponsored research projects with total a funding of Rs.11 lakhs. It also involved in DBT builder project sanctioned to Biotechnology Department.

#### b. Limitations:

- Lack of animal house facility
- Inadequate faculty strength

#### c. Recommendations

- Strengthening of laboratories with sophisticated equipment.
- Appointing of adequate faculties.
- Construction of animal house.
- Strengthening of zoological museum for effective practical training.

# XVII. DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

1. Year of establishment 2002

- 2. Programmes offered M.Sc., Ph.D.
- 3. Intake 39 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
- 4. Faculty Details Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate
  - Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)
- 5. Existing Faculty 1 Assistant Professor
- 6. Guest faculty 04 at the level of Assistant Professors
- 7. Non-teaching Staff 02
- 8. No. of students during the period

<b>o</b>	
a. M.Sc. student's strength:	08+16=24
b. Ph.D. strength:	06
9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided -	07
10. Faculty Publications (2010-15):	23 research papers
11. Chapters in Books	02
12. Citations of the faculty for the period:	58
13. UGC NET/KSET eligibility:	05 candidates qualified.

#### a. Strength

- There have been five UGC, NET and KSET passed candidates.
- The Department organized 10 seminars and 5 workshops.
- The students are provided with adequate knowledge in both basic and advanced Wild life and management science.

#### **b.** Limitations:

- Lack of permanent faculty
- c. Recommendations:

3. Intake

- Strengthening of laboratory with sophisticated equipment.
- Appointing adequate faculty.

# XVIII. DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

- 1. Year of establishment 2005
- 2. Programmes offered M.Sc. (CBCS), Ph.D.
  - 39 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC regulation
- 4. Faculty Details Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate
  - Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)
- 5. Existing Faculty 2 Assistant Professors
- 6. Guest faculty 05 at the level of Assistant Professors
- 7. Non-teaching Staff 02
- 8. No. of students during the period

- a. M.Sc. student strength :15+21=36
- b. Ph.D. student's strength: 11
- 9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided 10
  10. Faculty Publications (2010-15): 103 research papers
  11. Books published 04
  12. Chapters in Books 04
  13. Major research projects: Ongoing 9 (Rs 72 lakhs)
  14. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 04 candidates qualified.

#### a. Strength:

- The Department has nine on going sponsored research projects with a total funding of 72 Lakhs.
- During the period of 2010-11 to 2015-16, total of 103 research papers, 04 books and 04 book chapters were published
- 10 alumni have been employed in prestigious colleges.
- Advanced research and instrumentation aspects have been included in the curriculum.

#### **b.** Limitations:

- Inadequate permanent faculty
- Lack of sophisticated equipment

#### c. Recommendations:

- Strengthening of laboratory with sophisticated equipment.
- Appointing of qualified faculty.

# XIX. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE:

- 1. Year of establishment 1991-92
- 2. Programmes offered M.Sc., Ph.D.
- 3. Intake 44 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
- 4. Faculty Details Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate
  - Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)
  - 2 Professors (1 DR+1 on CAS) + 3 Assistant Professors
  - 6. Guest faculty 05 at the level of Assistant Professors

01

7. Non-teaching Staff

5. Existing Faculty

- 8. No. of students during the period
  - a. M.Sc. strength:28+24=52
  - b. Ph.D. strength :16

- 9. Ph.D. guidance: Successfully guided 30
- 10. Faculty Publications: 143 research papers
- 11. Books published:
- 12. Citations of the faculty for the period: 652
- 13. Major research projects: Ongoing 2 (Rs 7.27 lakhs)
- 14. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 12 candidates qualified.

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#### **15. Observations:**

#### a. Strength:

- During the period of assessment, a total of 143 research papers were published, with google citation of 652 and six books were published.
- There were twelve UGC, NET and KSET passed candidates.
- The Department has organized eight seminars and workshops.
- Advanced research and practices have been included in the curriculum.

#### b. Limitations:

• Inadequate space for laboratory.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Strengthening of laboratory with sophisticated equipment.
- Appointment of adequate faculty.

# XX. DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED GEOLOGY

1.	Year of establishment:	1993	
2.	Programmes offered:	M.Sc. (Earth Science and Resource Management-	
		ESRM)	
		M.Sc. (Remo	te Sensing Applications-RSA)
		Ph.D. in App	lied Geology
3.	Intake:	30 students e	ach, Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4.	Faculty Details:	Sanctioned P	ost (1 Professor + 2 Associate
		Professors +	1 Assistant Professors)
5.	Existing Faculty:	4 Professors	(1 direct + 3 on CAS) + 1 Associate
		Professor	
6.	Guest faculty:	07 at the leve	el of Assistant Professors
7.	Non-teaching Staff:	02	
8.	8. No. of students currently on rolls:		21+18 M.Sc. (ESRM)
			05+11 M.Sc. (RSA)
			09 Ph.D. (Applied Geology)
9.	Faculty Publications (2010-15):		49 Research papers

02 Books

02 Edited books

02 Chapters in edited volumes

10. Ph.D. Guidance:

18 awarded

- Major research projects: Completed 3/Ongoing 3(UGC Rs.6,80,000: UGC Rs.9,90,000: DST Rs.13,00,000/DST Rs.24,00,000: DST Rs.14,00,000, UGC Rs.12,00,000)
- 12. Departmental projects: Completed 1/Ongoing 1 (UGC SAP-II Rs.63,50,000/UCG SAP-III Rs.1,25,00,000)

13. Average impact factor	0.5-4.4
14. h-index	2-4
15. Citations	270
16. UGC NET/KSET eligibility:	05

# 17. Observations

#### a. Strength

- The Department has UGC-SAP program in the III phase.
- Department has completed UGC Innovative, and DST FIST program.
- Three ongoing DST major Projects.
- Well-equipped laboratories.
- A Good number of national and international publications.
- Nearly 100% placement.
- Departmental museum is used as a teaching aid.
- One international Collaboration with University of Cambridge

#### b. Limitations

- Paucity of class room space.
- Paucity of space for Department Library.

#### 18. Recommendations

- Should enter into more international collaborations.
- Should start need based innovative courses in collaboration with industries.
- Evolve a national placement network.

# XXI. DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY

- 1. Year of establishment: 1988
- 2. Programmes offered: MA

	PG Diploma	a in Archaeology and Museology
	M.A. (Dista	nce mode)
	Ph.D. in His	story and Archaeology
3. Intake:	57 students	each /Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4. Faculty Details:		Posts (1Professor + 1 Associate
5		2 Assistant Professors)
5. Existing Faculty:	4 Professors	s (1 Direct + 3 on CAS)
6. Guest faculty:		03 at the level of Assistant Professors
7. Non-teaching staff:		02
8. No. of students currently	on rolls:	35+17 MA(CBCS)
9. PG (Diploma):		11
10. Faculty Publications (201	.0-15):	14 Research papers
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		02 Chapters in edited volumes

- 11. Major research projects: Completed 1 (Focused development program Rs.2.75 lakhs)
- 12. Inter institutional collaboration: Completed 1with Department of political science (Flemish Inter University Council research program Rs.70.58 lakhs).
- 13. UGC NET/KSET eligibility:

#### a. Strength

- Well organized and curated museum.
- Has produced audio-visual material in the area of cultural history.

12 students qualified

- Good publications profile-both national and international
- Involvement of international research scholars.
- Good record of success in NET/SLET.
- International collaborations with Ghent university Belgium.

#### b. Limitations

- Limited number of permanent faculty.
- Placement affected by predominance of regional language as medium and rural background of students.

#### 15. Recommendations

- Digitalization of historical records should be taken up on priority.
- Should take up major research projects.
- Include components of tourism and hospitality in the syllabus.
- Need to take up more historical and archaeological exploration and excavations

# XXII. DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION

1. Year of establishment:	2003		
2. Programmes offered:	M.A. (Regular-CBCS)		
<u> </u>	PG Diploma in Kannada Journalism		
	Ph.D. in Journalism		
3. Intake: 40 str	udents each / Ph.D. as per UGC regulations		
4. Faculty Details:	Sanctioned Post (1 Professor + 2 Associate		
-	Professors + 3 Assistant Professors)		
5. Existing Faculty:	1 Professor + 1 Associate Professor + 2		
	Assistant Professors		
6. Guest faculty:	01 at the level of Assistant Professors		
7. Non-teaching staff:	02		
8. No. of students currently on	rolls: MA 25+28		
	PG Diploma 36		
	Ph.D. 06		
9. Faculty Publications (2010-15	5): 37 research papers		
10. Ph.D. Guidance:	16		
11. Major research projects: Completed 1(UGC Rs.5,80,000)			
12. Minor research projects: Completed 1/ongoing 2(University Rs.			

45,000/university Rs. 45,000: university 45,000)

13. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 08 Students have qualified

#### 14. Observations

#### a. Strength

- One-page daily newspaper in Kannada and English being brought out by the department to provide training to students.
- Has valuable collections of newspapers from the 130 countries in the world.
- Completed two projects.
- Good placement in journalism and mass media.
- Has organized impressive number of programs

#### b. Limitations

- Lack of studio.
- The building needs maintenance and repair.

#### **15. Recommendations**

- To establish F.M station for the benefit of local community.
- Should establish a studio on top priority.
- Should take up more research projects.
- Increase extension activities.

# XXIII. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

1. Year of establishment:	2004		
2. Programmes offered:	M.Ed.(Reg	M.Ed.(Regular-CBCS)	
	M.A. in Ec	lucation (Distance Mode)	
	Ph.D. in E	ducation	
3. Intake:	30 student	s each /Ph.D. as per UGC regulations	
4. Faculty Details:	Sanctioned	l Posts (1 Professor + 2 Associate	
	Professors	+ 3 Assistant Professors)	
5. Existing Faculty:	1 Professo	r (On CAS) + 2 Assistant Professors	
6. Guest faculty:	03 at the le	evel of Assistant Professors	
7. Non-teaching staff:	02		
8. No. of students currently	y on rolls:	09-M.Ed.	
		Ph.D. 14	
9. Faculty Publications (20)	10-15):	104 Research papers	
		05 Monographs	
		50 book chapters	
		10 Edited books (03 with ISBN)	
10. Ph.D. Guidance: 24			
11. Major research projects: Completed 2(UGC Rs.6,55,400: UGC Rs.4,52,000)			
12. Minor projects: completed 3 (University Rs. 50,000: University Rs. 50,000:			

- University Rs. 50,000)
- 13. UGC NET/KSET eligibility: 14

#### 14. Observations:

#### a. Strength

- Student's success in NET/SLET is good.
- 14 Ph.Ds awarded
- Good number of publications by faculty members
- Updated syllabus with need based courses
- Active in organizing programmes

#### b. Limitations

- Admission to M.Ed. is low
- Lack of space for psychology laboratory
- Paucity of permanent teaching faculty
- No separate space for research scholars.

#### **15. Recommendations:**

- Immediate steps to fill up vacant faculty positions.
- Should be take up major research projects
- Start need-based short term certificate courses in educational technology.
- Initiate formal, institutional consultancy for educational institutions.

# XXIV. DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

1.	Year of establishment:	2002	
2.	Programmes offered:	B.P. Ed.	
		M.P. Ed(Reg	ular-CBCS)
		PG Diploma	in Yoga
		Ph.D. in Phy	sical Education
3.	Intake:	30 students e	each / Ph.D. as per UGC regulations
4.	Faculty Details:	Sanctioned I	Posts 1 Professor + 4 Assistant
	5	Professors	
5.	Existing Faculty:	1 Professor,	3 Assistant Professors
6.	Guest faculty:	10 at the leve	el of Assistant Professors
7.	Non-teaching staff:		05
8.	No. of students currently of	on rolls:	47+57 B.P. Ed.
	-		41+36 M.P.Ed.
			Ph.D. 14
9.	9. Faculty Publications (2010-15):		67 Research papers
	2		04 Books
			17 Book chapters
10. Ph.D. Guidance:			28 Awarded
11. UGC NET/KSET Eligibility:		zy:	23 candidate have qualified

#### 12. Observations:

#### a. Strengths

- Active in organizing many activities.
- Well-equipped indoor stadium.
- Good placement record.
- Impressive sports achievements by students.
- Five permanent faculty members.
- Offers P.G diploma in yoga.

#### b. Limitations

- Does not have an outdoor stadium.
- Does not have research laboratory
- Does not have computer lab.
- Constraint of space.

#### 13. Recommendations:

- Should create an outdoor stadium.
- Should take up major research projects.
- Should strengthen research programmes.

# **XXV. DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES**

- 1. Year of establishment: 1991
- 2. Programmes offered MBA, MBA (HRM) and Ph.D.
- 3. Intake MBA 120 students each, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
- 4. Faculty Details
  4. Faculty Details
  4. Faculty Details
  4. Sanctioned Posts (2 Associate professors + 2 Assistant Professors)
- 5. Existing Faculty 2 Professors (2 on CAS) + 01 Assistant professor
- 6. Guest faculty 08 at the level of Assistant Professors
- 7. Non-teaching Staff 03
- 8. No. of students currently on rolls MBA: 115

MBA (HRM): 22

- 9. Design and Delivery of Programmes:
  - Syllabus revised once in Three Years, the latest Revision being in the year: 2016
  - CBCS Followed (SGPA and CGPA)
  - Students feedback annually conducted
  - Results: Pass Percentage :100%
    - Outstanding/Distinction :10%
    - First Class:48%
    - Second Class:30%
    - Pass Class: 12%

10. Student Performance:	NET/KSET:	10	
11. Ph.D. guidance:	Guided Successfully	y:	30
C	In Progress:	21	
	M.Phil. Successful:	02	
12. Faculty Publications (2010-15):	Research papers:	63	
	Chapters in Books:	20	
	Books 13		

- 13. Research Projects: Minor research projects completed 5
- 14. Consultancy activities in area of training and development with an average revenue generated per year 15000/-

15. Co-Curricular / Extension Activities: Organized field training and Community Oriented awareness camps and program for PG students

#### 16. Observations:

- The programmes are in line with present requirements and curriculum is regularly revised.
- Major student's representation is from rural areas; proportionately the girl's strength is more.
- The thrust areas of research comply with the present challenges.
- The department has lot of collaborative activities with industries, banking and other sectors.

#### a. Strengths

- Adequate infrastructure
- Field based exposure to students, Industry based projects, and internships
- Active and committed young faculty members
- Strong collaborations with industries, other Universities and Govt Departments
- Entering into entrepreneurship in various sectors is promoted

#### b. Limitations:

• Large number of guest faculty due to govt's ban on regular recruitments.

#### 17. Recommendations:

- Online short term diploma/ certificate courses may be offered
- Collaborative and funded projects be promoted
- Outcome based education may be initiated
- Formal moves with industries and institutions be initiated to strengthen the society related activities.

#### XXVI. DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND ADMINISTRATION

Year of establishment: 2005
 Programmes offered MBA(TTM) and Ph.D.
 Intake MBA (TTM) - 40, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation
 Faculty Details Sanctioned Posts (01 Professor + 01 Assistant Professor)
 Existing Faculty 01 Assistant professor
 Guest faculty 03 at the level of Assistant Professors

- 7. Non-teaching Staff 01
- 8. No. of students currently on rolls MBA (TTM): 21

MBA (HRM): 22

- 9. Design and Delivery of Programmes
  - Syllabus revised once in Three Years.
  - CBCS Followed (SGPA and CGPA)
  - Students feedback annually conducted
  - Pattern of the Examinations: IA :25; Semester End Exam 75
  - Student Performance:

10. Ph.D. guidance:

11. Faculty Publications (2010-15):

NET/KSET: 10 Guided Successfully: 30 In Progress: 21 M.Phill. Successful :02 Research papers: 12 Chapters in Books: 01

12. Co-Curricular / Extension Activities: Department festival: Organized field training program for PG students

#### 13. Observations:

- The department has adequate infrastructure facilities.
- The students belong to heterogeneous groups from different states.
- The programme designed has potential employment opportunities.
- The department has fairly good collaborative initiatives with tourism industries, training institutions and others.
- Many Students have cleared NET/SET Examinations.

#### a. Strengths:

- Adequate infrastructure.
- Field based exposure to students, Industry based projects and greater attention to training in tourism administration by expertise in the area.
- Motivated students with learning zeal
- Greater job opportunities for students.

#### b. Limitations :

- Inadequate regular faculty.
- Lack of awareness among undergraduate students about the potential in tourism industry.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Online/short term diploma/ certificate courses may be offered
- Regular promotional activities by the faculty to create awareness among under graduate students.
- Greater attention for strengthening publications and funded projects by the faculty.

# XXVII.DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

1. Year of establishment:	1993		
2. Programmes offered	M.L. I.Sc., B.L.	.I.Sc. (1 year -Distance Mc	ode), Ph.D.
3. Intake		Ph.D. as per UGC Regula	
4. Faculty Details		sts (01 Associate professo	
5	Assistant profe	· -	
5. Existing Faculty	-	(2 on CAS) + 01 Assistant	professor
6. Guest faculty		of Assistant Professors	r
7. Non-teaching Staff	02	of Hobbistant Professors	
8. No. of students currentl		M.L. I.Sc. : 38	
<ol> <li>9. Design and Delivery of 2</li> </ol>		WI.L. 1.SC 50	
	ous revised once	e in 3 vears	
-	5 Fallowed (SGP	-	
		nually conducted	
		nations: IA :25; Semester I	End Exam
75			
10. Student Performance: U	GC NET / Com	petitive Exams - JRF :02	
		NET/SL	
11. Research Publications (	,		: 40
		Chapters in Books	: 08
	F	Books	: 03
12. Citation Index: - Total	Citations :	175	
h-ind		07	
13. Ph.D. Guidance:			
Succe	ssfully guided:	09	
	ogress :30		
14. Major Research Project:			
		Rs.829200 UGC: Rs133000	0)
15. Co-Curricular / Extension		<del>.</del>	
1		Library week celebration	n,
	jubilee exhibiti		
		ing program for PG stude	ents
	ing for Scholars	on SPSS Package	
16. Observations:			
• The programme de	esigned have gr	reater emphasis on ICT h	ased librar

- The programme designed have greater emphasis on ICT based library services, Practice sessions and Internships.
- Curriculum is regularly revised to meet the changing requirements of job market.

#### a. Strengths

- Adequate infrastructure. Active and committed young faculty members. Motivated students with learning zeal.
- Field based exposure to students, industry/society based projects.
- Practice based internship.
- Publications in reputed journals.
- Large number of students have cleared NET/SET.
- The department is active in conducting conferences and seminars. Many faculties have participated in such programs in other institutions.
- The students have undertaken projects helpful for various departments in campus, in knowledge organizations, maintaining departmental libraries etc...
- The students and faculty have helped the other institutions in establishing and maintaining libraries. They are also involved in creating information awareness among the general public.
- They have created and maintained institutional repository of the university.

#### b. Limitations:

- The medium of instruction at graduate level in regional language.
- Lack of awareness about the programme among the UG Students

#### 17. Recommendations:

- Online/short term diploma/ certificate courses may be offered
- Emphasis on funded projects needed.
- Collaborative publications with universities/Institutions be promoted.
- Furnishing the department with modern furniture to meet specific requirement

# XXVIII.DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH:

1.	Year of establishment:	1987	
2.	Programmes offered Intake	MA in English Regular and Distance Mode, Ph.D. MA: 57, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation	
3.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (01 Professor + 01 Associate	
		professor + 05 Assistant professors)	
4.	Existing Faculty	05 Professors (01 DR + 04 on CAS)	
5.	Guest faculty	03 at the level of Assistant Professors	
6.	Non-teaching Staff	02	
7.	No. of students currently	on rolls MA: 49+45 = 96	

- 8. Student Performance: UGC NET / Competitive Exams. JRF :01 NET/SLET : 27
- 9. Research Publications (2010 to, 2015)

No of research papers	: 34
Chapters in Books	:06
Books	:18

10. Ph.D. Guidance: Guided Successfully :21

In Progress :55

11. Major Research Projects: Completed 02

12. Honors / Awards / Recognitions:

Prof. Rajendra Chenni has been awarded:

Prestigious B A Sridhara award for literary criticism in 2012

Karnataka State Sahitya Academy award 2015: Life Time Achievement Award

#### 13. Observations:

#### a. Strengths

- The department has good infrastructure with adequate library.
- It has experienced and well qualified faculty with specializations.
- The curriculum and syllabus are very updated.
- The department has been a pioneer in introducing several new areas of study.
- It has a language laboratory with forty learner booths which is utilized to teach English for communication to all PG students of the universities.
- It has a film club which organizes theme based film festivals.
- The department has regularly organized national level seminars.
- It has fairly good publications.
- The department organizes the Late Shanthinath Desai memorial endowment lecture. Under its auspices.
- Very eminent internationally known scholars have been invited.
- It lends its expertise in curricula and syllabus revision of state text books, pre-university text books and to local institutions in setting up laboratories.

#### 14. **Recommendations:**

- The faculty be motivated to publish research articles in peer-reviewed journals.
- The Faculty should take up major research projects.
- With the present faculty strength, the department should seek UGC SAP Assistance.
- It should strengthen its collaborative programme in providing training in translation to government employees.

# XXIX. DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

1. Year of establishment:	1988		
Programmes offered	MA in Political Science (Regular and Distance		
	Mode), Ph.D.		
2. Intake	MA: 56, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation		
3. Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (01 Professor + 01 Associate		
	professor + 03 Assistant professors)		
4. Existing Faculty	02 Professors (CAS) + 01 Associate professor (01 on		
	CAS)		
5. Guest faculty	05 at the level of Assistant Professors		
6. Non-teaching Staff	02		
7. No. of students currentl	y on rolls $MA: 47 + 40 = 87$		
8. Design and Delivery of			
Syllabus revised once			
CBCS Followed (SGPA and CGPA)			
<ul> <li>Students feedback annually conducted</li> <li>Pattern of the Evaminations: LA 225: Semaster End Evam 75</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Pattern of the Examinations: IA :25; Semester End Exam 75</li> <li>9. Student Performance: UGC NET / Competitive Exams</li> </ul>			
KAS :03			
NET/SLET :21			
10. Research Publications (2010 - 2015)			
No of research papers : 17			
Chapters in	Books :13		
Books	: 03		
11. Ph.D. Guidance:	Ph.D. research in progress 07		
Successfully guided: 21			
12. Major Research Projects: Completed: 2 (UGC: Rs.779000)			
13. Collaborations (National / International): International collaboration with			

GHENT UNIVERSITY, Belgium.

- 14. Consultancy/ Services offered / other programmes with Govt. Dept /Outreach Programmes, etc.
- 15. Outreach training programmes and Certificate Courses for Panchayath Members.

- The department has adequate infrastructure.
- The programme curriculum is regularly revised.
- Department has fairly good number of publications in the form of articles, chapters in books, edited books.
- It is active in inter-institutional collaborations and extension activities.
- Good number of students are successful in NET/SET and civil service exams.
- The Students have undertaken field studies to help the under privileged in the society.
- The department linked with two Chairs namely Abul Nazeer Sab and Shanthaveri Gopala Gowda Chairs.
- Majority of the students are girls.

#### a. Strengths

- Adequate infrastructure
- Greater involvement of faculty in collaborations and extension activities.
- Alumni are well placed in Govt. departments, public sectors and academic institutions
- Research on socially relevant themes.

#### **b.** Limitations:

• The medium of instruction at graduate level in regional language.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Interdepartmental/ inter-institutional collaborations need to be improved.
- Need based short term certificate/diploma courses may be offered.
- Need for promotion of collaborative publications and funded projects.
- Incorporation of practice sessions and case studies in the curriculum
- Promoting teachers to undertake more and more community based projects.

# XXX. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

1. Year of establis	hment: 1988		
2. Programmes of	fered MA in Sociol Ph.D.	ogy (Regular and Distance Mode),	
Intake	MA: 56, Ph.D	). as per UGC Regulation	
3. Faculty Details		osts (01 Professor + 03 Assistant	
2	professors)		
4. Existing Facult	y 03 Professors	(on CAS) + 01 Associate professor (on	
	CAS) + 01 As	ssistant professor (on Deputation)	
5. Non-teaching S	Staff 02		
6. No. of students	currently on rolls	MA: 38	
0	livery of Programmes		
2	vised once in 3 years.		
	edback annually conduc		
<ul> <li>Pattern of the Examinations: IA :25; Semester End Exam 75</li> <li>Results: Pass Percentage:</li> </ul>			
First Class: : 80% 8. Student Performance: UGC NET / Competitive Exams			
		mpentive Exams	
NET/SLET: 46 9. Research Publications (2010 to 2015)			
	ters in Books : 05		
Books :03			
	C : 1 1 C	6 11 - 14	
10. Ph.D. Guidance:	Guided Succ	5	
	In progress	: 41	
	M Phill Succe		
11. Minor Research Pr	, .	02 (Minor Research Project)	
12 Observations	Ongoing	01(Minor Research Project)	
12. Observations:			

- The department has fairly good infrastructure.
- The curriculum is regularly revised.
- The faculty have good number of publications in the form of articles, chapters in books, edited books.
- The department has organizing seminars and workshops.
- Student performance in NET/SET is fairly good.
- Majority of students are girls.

#### a. Strengths

- Adequate infrastructure
- Well qualified and experienced faculty members.
- Greater involvement of faculty in Publishing research papers.
- Active participation in co-curricular and extension activities.

#### b. Limitations:

- The medium of instruction at graduate level in regional language.
- Lack of community based projects, practice sessions.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Interdepartmental / inter-institutional collaborations need to be improved.
- Need based short term certificate/diploma courses in area to be offered.
- Need for promotion of collaborative publications.
- Incorporation of practice sessions, case studies in the curriculum.
- Community based projects may be undertaken.

# XXXI. DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

1.	Year of establishment:	1974	
2.	Programmes offered	MA in Economics (Regular and Distance Mode),	
		Ph.D.	
3.	Intake	MA: 57, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation	
4.	Faculty Details	Sanctioned Posts (01 Professor + 01 Associate	
		professor +03 Assistant professors)	
5.	Existing Faculty	03 Professors (on CAS)	
6.	Guest faculty	04 at the level of Assistant Professors	
7.	Non-teaching Staff	02	
8.	No. of students currently of	on rolls MA: 46+38 = 84	

- 9. Design and Delivery of Programmes
  - Syllabus revised once in Three Years.
  - CBCS followed (SGPA and CGPA)
  - Students feedback annually conducted

- Pattern of the Examinations: IA :25; Semester End Exam 75
- 10. Student Performance: UGC NET / Commutative Exams
  - NET/SLET :26

11. Research Publications (2010 - 2015)

No of research papers : 54 Chapters in Books : 03

12. Ph.D.Guidance :	Successfully guided : 19
	In progress :34
13. Major Research Projects:	Completed 2 (UGC: Rs.532800 UGC: Rs.393400)

#### 14. Observations:

- The Department has good infrastructure.
- The department has experienced well qualified faculty members with varied Specializations.
- The programme curriculum is regularly revised.
- The faculty have members have published fairly good number of research papers.
- The department is active in inter departmental, inter-institutional collaborations and extension activities.
- Good number of students have cleared NET/SET exams.
- Large number of alumni are placed in different sectors and are active
- It has academic responsibility for K H Patil chair on Cooperation

#### a. Strengths

- Adequate infrastructure
- Experienced and committed faculty members.
- Alumni in varied sectors.
- Faculty and students are involved in the activities of local institutions, societies and organizations.

#### b. Limitations:

- The medium of instruction at graduate level in regional language.
- Inadequate permanent staff due to ban on regular recruitment.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Interdepartmental/ interinstitutional collaborations need to be strengthened.
- Need based short term certificate/diploma courses in different areas may be offered.
- Need for promotion of collaborative research and funded projects.

- Incorporation of practice sessions and case studies in the curriculum.
- Need to recruit regular faculty to meet UGC requirement.
- Need to promote teachers to undertake more and more community related projects.

### XXXII. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

1. Year of establishment: 1988 2. Programmes offered : M.S.W., Ph.D. 3. Intake MA: 70, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation 4. Faculty Details Sanctioned Posts (01 Professor + 02 Associate professors + 2 Assistant Professors 5. Existing Faculty 02 Professors (01 DR + 01 on CAS) 6. Guest faculty 05 at the level of Assistant Professors 7. Non-teaching Staff 02 8. No. of students currently on rolls MA: 48+57 = 105 9. Design and Delivery of Programmes • Syllabus revised once in Three Years, The latest Revision during: 2015 CBCS followed (SGPA and CGPA)-Yes Students feedback annually conducted -Yes • Pattern of the Examinations: IA :25; Semester End Exam 75 -Yes Results: Pass Percentage :100% Outstanding/Distinction :70% First Class:30% 10. Student Performance: UGC NET / Competitive Exams (Qualified) JRF: 03 NET/SLET: 18 11. Research Publications (2010 - 2015) No of research papers :11 Chapters in Books : 11 Books :03 12. Ph.D.Guidance : Guided Successfully: 04 In progressngth: 13 M Phil Successful: 06 Completed :03, Ongoing: 01 8. Major Research Project:

### 9. Observations:

- The department has good infrastructure with ICT Facilities and field labs.
- The programme curriculum is regularly revised and Current thrust area of social relevance such as child protection, women and child management, and disaster management find place in the curriculum.
- The department has fairly good number of publications in the form of articles, chapters in books and edited books.

- It has organized collaborative seminars, workshops etc. in collaborations with NGOs and Govt departments.
- Students are trained in specific NGOs keeping in mind students, background their interests, and job opportunities.
- Student performance in JRF/NET/SET is fairly good.

#### a. Strengths

- Motivated and committed students.
- Adequate infrastructure
- Greater involvement of faculty in conducting collaborative programs with NGOs.
- Active participation in Community development services.

### **b.** Limitations:

- The medium of instruction at graduate level in regional language.
- Lack of literature on indigenous culture
- Lack of formal MoUs with institutions.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Need based short term certificate/diploma courses in the area may be offered.
- Need for promotion of more collaborative research projects.
- Involvement of teachers in research of regional social relevance and publication of literature on indigenous culture and language.
- Adequate place should be provided for establishment of social works tools lab.

# XXXIII. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

- Year of establishment: 2006 1. 2. Programmes offered M.Com. (Dual Specialization), M.Com. (Banking & Finance) 3. Intake M.Com. 152 students, Ph.D. as per UGC Regulation Sanctioned Posts (1 Professor + 1 Associate 4. Faculty Details Professor + 1 Assistant Professor) 5. Existing Faculty 1 Professor (01 DR) 08 at the level of Assistant Professors 6. Guest faculty 7. Non-teaching Staff 04 M.Com. 144 8. No. of students currently on rolls
- 9. Ph.D. guidance: Guided Successfully: 10 In Progress :9

M.Phill. Successful :03

10. Faculty Publications (2010-15):

Research papers: 63 Chapters in Books: 20 Books 13

11. Major Research Projects: Completed 2 (UGC: Rs.3390200 UGC: Rs2610450)

12. Student Performance:

NET/KSET: 66 JRF: 04

13. Co-Curricular / Extension Activities:

- Organized field training program for students
- Participation in Com Vision-2012: Magnum 2014
- Won Two First Prizes in South Indian Computation

#### 14. Observations:

- The department has fairly good infrastructure with adequate furnished classrooms, adequate number of books, required journals and reprographic facilities.
- The use of ICT facilities in place.
- The programmes designed are in line with present requirements and curriculum is regularly revised.
- The students' representation from rural areas compared to urban are more, and the percentage of girl's students is higher.
- Nearly 80% are first generation graduates
- The Department is carrying out good research and has collaboration with various industries and universities.
- As a part of social responsibility greater attention is given to the under privileged and rural students that has helped in academic progression of students with pass percentage of more than 95%. The incremental academic growth of students from UG degree to PG degree is 3.6% in case of SC/ST, 1.76% in case of OBCs.
- The department is active in conducting seminars, workshops, life skill courses and training programs for competitive exams resulting in fairly good numbers of students clearing NET/SET, Banking exams, and exams of administrations.

#### a. Strengths

- Socially relevant curriculum
- Field based exposure to students
- Active participation in the activities of professional bodies, industries such as Chambers of Commerce, Banks, Govt. Departments etc...
- Enthusiastic and committed young faculty members.
- Motivated students with learning zeal

#### b. Limitations:

• Large number of guest faculty are on roll due to govt's bar on regular recruitments.

#### c. Recommendations:

- Inter departmental collaborations need to be improved further.
- Online/short term certificate courses shall be offered
- Collaborative publications and funded projects by the faculty need be promoted

Outcome based education may be initiated

# XXXIV. DIRECTORATE OF SPORTS

The University has a strong presence of sports facilities managed by the Directorate of sports. This directorate works in close cooperation and conjunction with the Department of Physical education. Thus the comments for the Department may be read for this Directorate too.

## **XXXV. CENTRE FOR WOMEN STUDIES**

The Women's Resource Centre was conceptualized and established by the University in 2012 to work as an innovative center. The aim of the center was to bring about gender sensitization through research, extension and outreach. The Centre has been very active in arranging special lectures, camps and awareness on issues of gender equality, health and hygiene and other women's issues.

The UGC has granted recognition to the Centre in 2014 and allocated some funds for its activities. Subsequently, the Centre was renamed as Centre for Women's Studies. Presently the Centre includes gender sensitization, prevention of sexual harassment at the workplace and in providing a help line for such students and employees that need its services. The Centre has also been able to produce a well-edited book on '**Visualization of Women in Media**, **literature and Science**'. The Centre also attracts Scholars-in residence, UGC PDF and Fulbright scholars.

### XXXVI. WOMAN HARASSMENT REDRESSAL CELL

The cell is presently associated with the Centre for Women's Studies. It is proposed that an enabling statutory provision in the shape of an Ordinance may be proposed by the University to regulate and institutionalize the Cells activities. Further, the level of awareness too has to be increased.

### XXXVII. INITIATIVES IN SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### a. SC/ST CELL

The SC/ST Cell has been established in 1995 and is managed by a coordinator who is a faculty member. The Cell is established with the mandate of facilitating the students belonging to SC / ST category by ensuring that the various schemes of the State and central Government (scholarships, fellowships, free-ships, hostel subsidies, project fund, fieldwork assistance etc.) are properly and fully utilized. The cell is disbursing the various grants received, from the State Government / Central Government / University, in a timely and transparent manner. The cell also has a very well stocked and managed book bank and also the free text-book stock which is given to students so as to help them for various competitive exams.

Further the cell is regularly conducting remedial and coaching classes for NET /SLET / KAS /IAS exams in which other students are also included. There is a well provided computer lab too for student training.

#### b. OBC CELL

The OBC Cell has been established in 2010 and is managed by a faculty member as coordinator. The Cell is established with the mandate of facilitating students belonging to OBC category by ensuring that the various schemes of the State and central Government (scholarships, fellowships etc.) are properly and fully utilized. The cell is disbursing the various grants / freeships received in a timely and transparent manner.

The cell has written to the State Government for increase of grants in its budgetary allocation so that its activities may increase. The University may also explore options for construction of OBC hostel in line with UGC scheme.

#### c. Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR STUDY CENTRE

The Ambedkar study center has initiated its activities in 1998 with the objective of studying the Indian society within the ideological framework of Dr. Ambedkar. To this end, the Study Centre has actively been supporting research projects, invited lectures, supporting research by students leading to M.Phil. and Ph.D. in this field. An Ambedkar museum too has been established which is nearing completion and is expected to be inaugurated soon. The Centre has supported 19 mini-projects and has published 9 books.

# XXXVIII. CENTRAL LIBRARY:

Book collection 1,18,930 Volumes : Journals 224 Journals and 10000 Online Journals e-Journals : 10,000 Amount spent for Books during 2010-11 to 2014-15 : Rs. 3,18,61,715=00 Books added during 2010-11 and 2014-15 : Rs. 22,964 Number of Users : 3145 Digital Paper Clipping Service is provided Internet Bandwidth 8 MBPS speed. Bibliographic Database for Kannada language collection using Indic IME -Unique Code Successful completion of Digitization project and establishment of EMD Lab. Introduced checking of Plagiarism in all Research contribution in the theses as required by Shodhganga. Library Portal

- Hyperlinks to Open Access: E-Books, E-Journals, E-Databases, & Gateway-Portal
- Institutional Repository (Theses, Dissertations & Newspaper Clippings)
- Library has initiated Institutional Repository of theses, dissertations and newspaper clippings.
- Library has also initiated Digitization of rare collections.
- Availability of INFLIBNET Services.

#### **Observations:**

- The maintenance of library is excellent.
- Library is equipped with modern facility and caters to the needs of the students in a constructive way.
- It has initiated several online services to the users which has benefitted a large number of students, research scholars and faculty members.

# XXXIX. EXAMINATION REFORMS

#### **Examination Service to the Students:**

- Web enabled services
- Online applications
- Online IA / Practical marks entry
- Fee collection through e-payment
- Results via Internet and SMS
- Digitalization of old manual records

#### **E-Verification:**

- Making use of Information Technology for the betterment of all stake holders (Students, Parents, Colleges, University)
- Eliminated 90% manual works at both Colleges / Departments and the University
- Procedures are streamlined and documents are standardized at each level
- All Colleges and Departments are connected to University through secured web based application.

### Fee payment is made online by using various e payment modes such as

- Post-office
- Net Banking
- Credit Card

### SBM supported *e-payment* gateway

Online payment facility, Net banking / Credit Card / Debit card provided to the students through Pay-U gateway supported by State Bank of Mysore for the fee collection related to examination services.

### **Post Office E-Payment Service:**

To help the rural students, Kuvempu University has introduced Indian Post's e-payment at all post offices for the remittance of all fees related to examination services. Students can use this service from any place in India.

### Digitalization of old Manual Ledgers (1988-2000):

Digitalization of all old manual records has been initiated, Raman IT Solutions, an IBM certified IT company from Mysore has taken up this digitalization work and the work is in progress. After completion of digitization of old records, the student data will be uploaded to secured cloud storage for e-verification of student's record to help the old students and employers to speed up their genuine verification process (Appreciated by KSHEC and recommended it as a model to all other Universities of Karnataka)

# **XL. RESIDENTIAL FACILITY FOR THE STUDENTS:**

- There are two boy's hostels and three girl's hostels including the facility for working women.
- Presently, there are 208 boys and 826 girls availing residential facility in the hostels.
- The hostels are well maintained.
- The hostels have following facilities apart from fairly good boarding and lodging facility:
  - ✓ Recreational facilities in hostels like gymnasium, yoga center etc.
  - ✓ Each hostel has recreation room, newspapers and magazine reading room and TV hall.
  - ✓ 125 KVA capacity Generator for electricity

- ✓ Solar water heater and Geyser facility
- ✓ Emergency Solar lighting facility
- ✓ Aqua Guard installation for drinking water
- ✓ Internet service with Wi-Fi, computer room and guest room
- ✓ 24 hours security at premises
- ✓ 24 hours CCTV

# **XLI. DISTANCE EDUCATION**

Kuvempu university started distance education programme during 2002-03 for both UG and PG programmes. At present 22 PG and 5 UG programmes, and 4 PG diploma courses are offered in both science and arts disciplines. There is total enrollment of 652 students in the university, during the current academic year. The DDE has adopted several student friendly support services like hazelfree admission process, immediate issue of study materials, conducting of examinations on time and announcement of results. The university has also adopted a policy of extending fee concession to differently abled candidates/ex-service men/dependents of university employees. It has also initiated a scheme of offering scholarships to SC/ST and OBC candidates. Further, the university offers counseling services to the candidates under distance education with the help of RTAs.

In order to have good quality self-instruction materials, the university has a system of conducting workshops on SIM writing with the help of IGNOU experts. It also adopts a process of reviewing DDE programmes in addition to the delivery system. Due to UGC policy and the guidelines of the state government the catchment area for the distance education programme is now limited only to the university territorial jurisdiction, two districts of Shivamogga and Chikkamagalur.

# XLII. EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

#### a. NSS:

The NSS Activities have been initiated by Kuvempu University from the Year 1988 The center has undertaken several socio developmental activities. Some of the

important socio developmental activities are presented below:

- Construction of 215 m of compound wall to the Sahyadri College premises, Shimoga
- Construction of 150 m of compound wall to the Sri JCBM College, Sringeri
- Total 1200 m of fencing to the Boys Hostel and a temple premises, Sringeri
- Plantation of 1000 saplings at Kadur.
- Construction one acres of Parents park, laying pipe line and Sprinkler for the watering at Hakkali Village of Shiralakoppa.

- Construction of one play ground and saplings 2500 including 650 medicinal plants, 750 areca nut plants, 1100 others plants Around 20 lakhs
- Conducting 02 NIC, 05 IC Camp, 12 District level camp, 02 State level camps in the last 05 years.
- One National Level Training TOT on Employability skills sponsored by RGNIYD, Sriperembadur, TN and one University Level Leadership Camp for the year 2015-16
- 09 University level workshops on personality development, skill development, leadership development were conducted for NSS volunteers.
- One ITI Training camp was conducted for 35 NSS Officers at Sahyadri College Campus Sponsored by ETI Training Centre, Mysore
- 06 volunteers in National RD and 23 volunteers in State RD represented from Kuvempu University. (from 2011-2015)
- Volunteers donated 11000 Units of blood in regular and special camps.
- Total five one day Pre R.D. selection camp successfully conducted every year.
- One UGC Sponsored National level Seminar successfully conducted on "Service, Individual & Society – A vision of Swamy Vivekananda and Mahatma Gandhi"
- 125<sup>th</sup> Constitution Day celebration on 26<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2015
- Celebration of International Volunteers Day on 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2015.
- International Day of Persons with disabilities on 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 2015
- Swamy Vivekananda's Birthday celebration and free distribution of Vivekananda's literature to all the winners and participants for last 05 years successfully.
- "Best University" award. Dr.Kundan Basavaraj has received the award as the "Best Co-ordinator, NSS"
- Sri.Shivamurthy P G ,Prog. Officer, Govt. First Grade College, Tarikere has bagged the "Best NSS Unit" and "Best Programme officer" award and Ms.Swetha.T.K. Sahyadri Science College, Shivamogga has secured "Best Volunteer" in the State.
- His Excellency Hon'ble president of India Sri Pranab Mukherjee at the Rastrapathi Bhavan, New Delhi awarded to the NSS Programme co-ordinator, Dr.Kundan Basavaraj.

# XLII. COMMENDATIONS

- 1) System of providing research fellowships by the University to the OBC and General category students in each department in addition to the SC/ST students is commendable.
- 2) Innovative practices adopted by the examination section in the process of

conducting, evaluating, announcement of results and security features incorporated in the marks cards and degree certificates deserve appreciation.

- 3) The faculty members are active in research and have published papers in journals with high impact factor which has helped the university to gain high h-index of 38.
- 4) Though large percentage (80%) of students come from rural areas, a large number of students in all the departments have cleared CSIR-UGC JRF/NET/SET examinations.
- 5) In addition to scholarships from Government, UGC and other agencies, the additional University scheme of providing research fellowships to the SC/ST, OBC and General category students in each department for promoting research is appreciable.
- 6) Reaching out to rural farmers and facilitating them with tissue cultured banana plantlets at subsidized rates by the University through LAB TO LAND extension activity is highly commendable.
- 7) The interdepartmental collaborative research on 'Bioprospecting of the medicinal plants of the Western Ghats' that attracted Rs.450 lakhs financial assistance from DBT is an initiative towards multidisciplinary research.
- 8) Three Patents awarded during the assessment period is an indicative of quality research being carried on by University in nascent areas.
- 9) Innovative Practices adopted by the examination section in the process of conducting, evaluating, announcement of results and security features incorporated in the marks cards and degree certificates deserve appreciation.
- 10) Involvement of faculty members in placing the alumni in prestigious institutions/industries deserves appreciation.
- 11) A cultural glossary of writings of Kuvempu published in eight volumes containing critical and interpretative entries on terms used by Kuvempu in various genres of literature such as drama, fiction, poetry, criticism etc., by the Department of Kannada Bharathi.
- 12) A documentary film entitled "**Confluence of Cultural Streams**" in both English and Kannada languages that introduces the matrix of archeological, artistic, aesthetic resources constitute the rich cultural heritage of the region from the pre historic period to the modern period is a great contribution to the regional history of the University jurisdiction.
- 13) The "**Yoga for Health**" facilitating Yoga practice every day among students, faculty members, residents on the campus and the general public on specific occasions, and regular programs on Art of Living are great initiatives by the University to sow the seeds of moral and ethical values among the youth which is vanishing during recent past.
- 14) The contributions of the NSS has placed the name of the University among the top Universities by bagging the awards such as Best University, Best NSS Coordinator, Best NSS Unit, Best Program Officer and Best Volunteer. It speaks volumes of work done by the NSS unit of the University.

- 15) The University initiation of establishing Women's Resource Center to cater to the large number of women students and employees for gender equity and also reach out to women in larger society in the University jurisdiction to inspire, to dedicate and to work towards empowering the women community to achieve greater success in their career needs recognition.
- 16) In addition to providing services to the satisfaction of the users with upto date collection and maintenance, initiatives of maintaining newspaper clippings in digital form of 11 daily newspapers from 2010 to the present day, digitizing the full reports of major and minor projects of the faculty members and also digitization of examination question papers by the University Library is a commendable job.
- 17) Institution of Fifty Sports scholarships to promote sports persons to represent Kuvempu University in interuniversity, national and international sports competitions is a commendable initiative.
- 18) A Plethora of praises won by the sports teams and the cultural teams in interuniversity, national and international sports and cultural competitions proves the outcome of the scholarships instituted by the University.

# XLIII. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Need to create ramps to make the buildings differently abled students friendly
- 2. Permanent faculty and staff positions should be filled up at an early date
- 3. Urgent efforts to be made for the maintenance of buildings
- 4. There is a need to see that the pattern of presentations to be made by each department before the ensuing visit of the NAAC peer team is uniform.
- 5. Faculty members are to be motivated to submit research projects individually and jointly to funding agencies
- 6. Efforts are to be made by the university to provide desktops to departments wherever there are needs.
- 7. The university need to frame appropriate regulations to provide incentives to the faculty who are involved in meaningful consultancy work and earn fee to the university
- 8. Necessary steps have to be taken on priority to fill up the vacant faculty positions to meet the norms of the UGC.
- 9. There is a need to provide additional physical infrastructure facilities to certain departments wherever there is a paucity of infrastructure on priority to provide conducive environment for studies and research and to attract the talented students within and outside the country.
- 10. Collaborative research programs be strengthened.
- 11. Staff development center to facilitate regular training to teachers and Nonteaching staff be established.
- 12. A central instrumentation center to house major equipment may be created to facilitate quality research and also to optimize the usage of equipment.

- Additional sports grounds to meet the requirements of growing number of sports persons be provided.
- 14. Orient faculty members and students to work towards outcome based education.
- 15. Institute awards for recognizing the good work of teaching and non-teaching faculty members thereby motivating them to perform better.

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