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SHILLONG COLLEGE INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY

ABOUT SHILLONG COLLEGE:

Shillong College, Shillong, an 'A' Grade institution in the North East was founded on the 15th of August, 1956 and has striven, since its inception, to turn the youth of North East India into leaders of their own society- bureaucrats, businessmen, judges, lawyers, engineers, media persons, social activists and others. Prof. (Late) Sudhindra Chandra Datta a renowned professor of Mathematics was the founder Principal of Shillong College. A visionary and a dedicated academician, he led a committed group of intelligentsia and laid the foundation of this public institution.

The college continues to nurse, nurture, teach and train rural youth in one of its avowed missions. The institution ensures equal access to quality education embracing all sections within an equitable and inclusive classroom environment taking into account students' diverse backgrounds and different academic abilities, thereby making them active participants in the learning process.

Starting from very humble origins in 1956, with 35 students on its rolls, the College has grown into a multi-faceted, multi-faculty institution. Today it has two sprawling campuses dedicated entirely to First affiliated to Gauhati University (GU) and then to North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), the pre-eminence of the college in the field Higher Education in North-East India is well established by its present student strength and long list of achievers. With staff strength of over 165 (Teaching and support staff) 22 options for Honours, the college caters to around 3000 students. With students from different ethnic communities and international students on its rolls, it is a microcosm of the North-East and a vibrantly alive experiment of national integration at its best.

From 2004, the college has decisively taken a new direction in its emphasis by enthusiastically launching out into a number of Professional Courses that would go a long way in developing skilled and knowledgeable manpower in the region while creating avenues for self-employment. In 2018, the College reached a new milestone, it became the first College in Meghalaya to offer (NEHU affiliated) Post Graduate Programme in English. The College has evolved into an active hub engaged in a

number of extension activities emerging out of its academic programmes.

MOTTO OF THE COLLEGE:

“Vidya Vidyante Amritam” - Knowledge is Immortal

VISION OF THE COLLEGE:

We envision Shillong College as a Centre of Excellence for Wisdom, a beacon of hope, a model embodiment of the ideal upon which our Great Nation has been built.

MISSION OF THE COLLEGE

- To endeavour to provide to all sections of society, quality yet affordable education, and create a knowledge-based society where avenues of success are readily available to all sections of the society, both urban and rural
- To provide the right atmosphere that will facilitate the tapping, honing and refinement of latent potential talent and skill through appropriate academic, extra and co-curricular activities ,promoting the pursuit of excellence thereof and leading to integrated personality development.
- To remain socially committed, with special impetus on catering to the needs of the socially, economically and educationally disadvantaged groups, and through academic excellence, confidence building and character development to elevate them to a level of excellence thus providing them with a fair chance of success and better future.
- To be attuned to the emerging needs of the young generations in a world of constant flux and to inculcate knowledge and need-based work skills so that the products of our college possess a competitive edge in the job market and find themselves prepared for gainful employment.
- To constantly update, equip, improve and evolve ourselves in all aspects in order to become more proficient and efficient in fulfilling our commitments to the students and the society at large to the best of our ability.
- To not only help our students become job-proficient but to sensitise, encourage and promote moral, a secular, scientific and nation –building virtues in the backdrop of varied and complex multiplicities that weave the beautiful patterns of our country so that the students respect, protect, nurture and value the rich composite culture of the country, INDIA.

SCOPE OF THE POLICY:

College infrastructure development is a strategic process that uses a healthy planning framework designed to deliver the College's strategic outcomes. This policy supports infrastructure developments in the College premises while adhering to the College's Mission and Vision. Infrastructure Policy is committed to create, develop, provide and maintain necessary infrastructure in all the domains. Shillong College is committed to provide all possible modern and essential amenities and infrastructure for all its stake holders. Establishing and maintaining a well-developed infrastructure is very important for any institution of higher learning. Hence the infrastructure policy of the College is to ensure the present requirements and future needs in terms of infrastructure. The College is becoming a fountainhead for nurturing finest talents. This is being achieved by establishing and maintaining not only good human resource but also by offering the best and commendable physical infrastructure for all round education and training. Self sufficient and modern infrastructure for Higher Education and training are being continually created, maintained and upgraded periodically.

The policy covers the following domains:

- 1. General Infrastructure*
- 2. Infrastructure for teaching, learning and evaluation*
- 3. Infrastructure for research, consultancy and extension*
- 4. IT Infrastructure*
- 5. Hostel infrastructure*
- 6. Sports infrastructure*
- 7. Others.*

1.1: Procedure and Planning:

The new requirements for infrastructure developments may be discussed at various levels of authorities such as Management Review Meeting, Building Committee, Sports Development Cell, Research and Publication Cell, IT Cell and the same be proposed in a proper manner by appropriate authorities. The proposals shall be considered by the Shillong College Educational Society and will be executed by the Governing Body and by various administrative officers.

In the future plan of things, Shillong College will establish exclusive research centres in advanced research area. The college is committed to creating, maintaining and upgrading advanced training infrastructure for their curriculum-based hands-on training. It is committed to establishing, maintaining and upgrading various sports and recreation facilities such as swimming pool, gyms, play grounds etc. The College is also committed to establishing and further strengthening the infrastructure in the following aspects:

1. **Sporting facilities:** A good college will ensure that there are facilities in place for students to exercise their bodies as well as their minds. Hence, the college has constructed swimming pool, gym, indoor sports courts, outdoor sports courts, outdoor sports pitches and full-time staff.
2. **Medical facilities:** College shall establish a fully functional medical centre with qualified doctors on service.
3. **Residential facilities:** The college has made available hostel facilities for all the students who are from the rural areas. Separate hostel facilities shall be made in service for international students. Guest houses may also be established to make residential requirements of visitors, guests and others.
4. **IT infrastructure:** IT infrastructure once been considered as an advanced facility has now become an essential facility; thanks to the technology advancements and the role of IT infrastructure in teaching and learning. The college remains committed to maintaining a 1:2 student computer ratio. The institution shall establish a fully functional IT Support Centre with well qualified technical staff. The college is covered with Wi-Fi and 24 hours internet connectivity and has many smart class rooms and is working on e-learning resources

including creation of e- contents and modules through MOOCS, SWAYAM and various others.

5. **Library facilities:** Even in this IT era, books and library are remaining unquestionable resources for teaching and learning both for academics and research. Shillong College has fully automated Library which harbours facilities such as OPAC, Digital Knowledge Centre, Audio-Visual Room, Reading Hall, Reprographic and scanning Facilities. Library shall be appropriately strengthened to have a separate section for Digital Library to facilitate the access of electronic databases subscribed by the institution. The college subscribes to electronic databases apart from the journals available on Open Access platform. Shillong College has also made available other online resources such as SCOPUS, Elite E-journals and DELNET Online for the benefit of research scholars and Faculty Members involved in research.



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