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Institutional Distinctiveness

"Women are the Largest Untapped Reservoir in the World" – Micelle Obama So empowering the rural girls/women learner holistically is the main distinctiveness character.

The develop human resource of geographically remote hilly Pinder Vally region of the Chamoli District by imparting quality higher education to the Youth is the main motto of the college. Further to provide a platform for fulfilling the needs of this rural area in higher education with enriching the youth with practical skill experience and sound theoretical knowledge is corollary related to the above.

GDC Talwari has been only higher education institute in the area of 40 km to till 2020. Traditionally women have been kept away from higher education in such remote or less developed part of the country due to inaccessibility and backwardness. Though Open Schooling/Open University are some mean of education for them but it is not sufficient for holistic development of students. Being a model college not only for the Pinder region but also for the adjacent Kumaun Region the performance portrait of College in its singular area of prioritized distinctiveness will its utmost mandate inclusive standardized dissemination and skill training in the domain of higher educational as a Model Knowledge Hub for those women/girls students who have not any other means/facility of education access in the local hilly socio cultural setting.

Being the only model higher educational institution in the region, the female students share more than 70%, so the College is playing the pivotal role towards women empowerment and providing access of education to the disadvantage to the rural young women. One of the distinctive character of the College is its continuous efforts to provide gender equality and Women empowerment through value based skill oriented education, research and training, diversity to enable them to meet the educational, national and global needs and challenges. College is committed to wards creating a safe and nurturing environment for girls and developing action plans for removing the barriers to their progression. College promotes various programme/scheme of the Government like "Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao' and creates awareness against '**women feticide'**, **early marriage** on different platforms by organizing different events/activities. Further, women health and hygiene related workshops are organized to create awareness regarding health related issues of women. Women safety is another aspect in which the college put continuous efforts. For this, the active women cell and grievance cell of the college take care to provide the safe place for women education.

Being a remotely situated, still College put efforts to expand its infrastructural facilities with changing time within various constraints. Development of digital library to easy excess for books and other learning material, well equipped science labs, smart classes, gymnasium with necessary equipments, sports facilities, computer labs are the example of progressive work plan of the institution which is required for holistic development of students. Apart from this, The College is enriched with Green House, Volley Ball and Kho-Kho Field, Guest room and CCTV. 24x7 electricity supply with the help of heavy Solar Panel and Genset is also there. Further in the era of digital literacy, learning through ICT tools and computer literacy also become an integral part of our institutional teaching learning process.

Since most the girl's students are from rural hilly areas and due to lack of exposure thy students are hesitant in utilizing technology in optimum way. For overcoming their fear of technology, College try to provide hands on training and use of different ICT tools in teaching learning process and encouraged to students to give their presentation through utilizing these tools. Overall College is also promoting E- learning mode for further education as per the need today.

College believes in equality and provide equal opportunity to all students. Different activities and competitions are organized on Science day, Women Day, Human Right Day, Hindi Diwas and NSS Day, Unity Day, Youth Day and National festivals for provide equal and open platform to students to showcase their talents, creativity and boost up their confidence in public life. Annual Cultural fest and sports events are also organized by the college to promote the talents of students.

The Government Degree College, Talwari is always supportive to social, educational and cultural development of the region since its inception, In the view of the same various social

awareness programme like de- addiction from alcohol and other abusive substances, cleanliness drive, environmental consciousness, plantation drive, Beti Padao, Beti Bachao, AIDS awareness, promotion of local language through different rallies, nukad natak and organizing competitions based on quiz, poster, photography, poster making, slogan, essay, dance and music competition by the college every year under the banner of NSS, Rover Ranger, Cultural Committee, Departmental Council of the College etc for providing a platform for holistic development of students. With all of its limited resources college earnestly creating a forum for students especially for women/girls to sprout and nurture their intrinsic and acquired talents through various extracurricular activities.

The management, teaching and supporting staff work in unison to achieve the objective of building a knowledge empowered society especially for rural girls/women students by effectively blending quality teaching, employability, and progress by honing their skills. Overall we collectively have a firm faith that each learner has a an unique innate personality which needs to kindled and enlightened, so empowering students by facilitating them with all possible tools and opportunities in various fields of their UG and PG programmes available in the college.