

INSTITUTIONAL DISTICTIVNESS

For centuries women in India were ill treated. They played a secondary role in the family, especially, in decision making. They were considered as child bearing machines and objects of sexual gratification.

After the advent of the British rule, western educated leaders like Mahatma Gandhi and Rajaram Mohan Roy made efforts to improve the status of women in the society.

Rajaram Mohan Roy opened a college exclusively for Women in Kolkata. Gandhiji declared that the educated woman is an institution by herself.

Following in the footsteps of these leaders, Trividha Dasohi, the president of SSES (Reg) opened Sree Siddaganga College for Women in Tumkur in the year 1982

The strength of the college which was just 150 to 200 in the beginning rose to 1800 in recent years. The vision of the college is: "Education for Emancipation, Empowerment and Enlightenment". Swamiji's desire to usher in a society where there is gender equality, mutual respect and equal opportunities in socio economic development of the nation is being realized.

Gandhiji said that political independence has no meaning unless there is economic independence; especially for women. We are happy to note that 32 cells of the college are pro active in creating awareness about modes of emancipation; empowerment and enlightenment. These cells conduct/ arrange various programs on gender equality, women's rights, health awareness and opportunities in Government services, private sectors, industries and international organizations. The college offers a number of courses/combinations in Arts, Science Commerce and Management to envision the stated goals. Among the 32 cells the below mentioned 14 play a pivotal role in enhancing academic standard and soft skills of the students- the prerequisites to fulfill the cherished vision

1. **Orientation programme**
2. **The Procter system**
3. **The student Council.**
4. **The parent teacher association**
5. **Spoorthy**
6. **National and state festivals:**
7. **The women empowerment cell**
8. **Sports.**
9. **Student welfare:**
10. **Career guidance and Placement:**
11. **Alumni**

12. Kaushala

A degree is not only a gateway for empowerment and emancipation through employment but also to inculcate human and spiritual values. Our programs in academic, co curricular and extracurricular activities are designed and implemented to transform young girls into women of self reliance and self respect-essential for self elevation and to be a responsible citizen