DHRUBA CHAND HALDER COLLEGE

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OUR STRENGTH:

- A good number of qualified, experienced and dedicated teaching faculties.
- This college has a huge student strength, catering to the needs of rural students.
- All the non-teaching staff are proficient in their respective area of work and computer friendly.
- The college believes in and maintains transparency in all administrative works, eg. Admission, financial transactions, purchasing etc.
- The central library of the college has a huge collection of textbooks and reference books. The library has subscriptions to several reputed journals and magazines. It has got a separate student Reading room and a Teachers' reading room. The library also provides the facility of using its a digital database to the students.
- The college has a spacious indoor auditorium where all the academic events of significance take place.
- The college owns a big playground.
- The college has 20 departments in the three streams of humanities, science and commerce. Most of the departments successfully run Honours courses with the General courses.
- For differently-abled students, there are facilities of ramp and lift.
- The college has a boys' hostel large enough to cater to male students who are in need of accommodation and deserving.
- The college has an active NSS unit consisting of student volunteers and faculty members that functions regularly to work forcampus-community linkage and also in emergency situations. NSS helps the student to grow individually and also as a group.
- NCC unit of the college also provides a suitable environment to motivate the youth to take up a career in the Armed Forces and develop discipline, comradeship, character, leadership and ideals of selfless sacrifice in the youth.
- The College also facilitates students and advanced learners to pursue higher education in open and distance mode learning within the college campus. The college holds Study Centres of Distance Education of Rabindra Bharati and Netaji Subhash Open University.
- The college provides smart classes to facilitate teaching-learning methods in an enjoyable and effective manner.
- The college ventures several Add-on courses run by different departments along with the regular degree programmes to mould the students with employable skills. These courses

- incite their interest as they can opt for a course of their choice and equip themselves and increase their employability.
- The college provides the facility of several professional computer courses through its computer centre set up in the campus. This centre prepares the students for the advancement of their position in the professional field.
- Dhruba Chand Halder college offers Language Laboratory for its students to learn the English language in a joyful and practical way. It is designed to facilitate classroom learning and aid them to overcome the fear and hesitation of speaking in the English language.
- The college has a professionally designed website which is meticulously maintained and is always kept updated.
- The college maintains a mentor-mentee system to guide on both educational and personal aspects.
- The college is not only situated amid the green lushes of nature, it also promotes sustainable and eco-friendly practices in the campus.
- The college has the facility of adequate backup power generator during the time of power outage.
- Though being located in a rural area, the college provides good internet connectivity all over the campus which helps in extending ICT based teaching-learning.
- Apart from a central library the college has departmental libraries in each department to satisfy the need for information and provide relevant material and support the academic programme.
- The college provides the facility of regular and emergency medical screening of students within the college premises.
- This college believes in student-centric learning focusing the attention from the teachers to the students. This method includes active learning, increasing problem-solving ability through discussion, debate, explanation and formulating arguments.
- The college is proud of its students' outstanding performance in sports and athletics at different levels. A good number of awards and medals are owned by the students of this college.
- Different departments separately involve themselves in multifarious social/community
 outreach programmes, like giving learning, social planning, health support, and other
 projects for their welfare. These programmes are organized by the departments with a
 view to bringing growth to society and the people around us, raising social awareness on
 sensitive matters and becoming a means of providing new, innovative solutions to health,
 and socio-economic challenges.
- The college encourages co-curricular and extra-curricular activities that are carried out beyond the regular course of study. School sports teams, cultural programmes to observe special occasions, extempore, writing competitions, poster-making competitions, debates,

- mock parliament, drawing competitions and theatre performances are examples of a few common co-curricular activities.
- The college encourages educational trips to different departments to upgrade their skills in a practical and interesting manner. The students learn better when something that they simply read in a book and memorize theoretically can perceive in a real situation. This also creates bonding among the students and between the students and teachers.
- Different departments of the college publish departmental magazines to bring out the hidden literary talents in the students and also to inculcate writing skills among them. These magazinesmotivate young learners to brainstorm ideas on what they can contribute to the publication. This sharpens their thinking skills and gives them the necessary confidence to express themselves better.
- Every year the college holds an Annual cultural competition and Social as annual festivals to motivate the students to identify themselves with the college. Their active involvement improves skills such as organizational, presentation, leadership and interpersonal communication. Professional performing artists are also typically invited, and a number of competitions are held for students.
- The college has a formal student-feedback mechanism initiated by IQAC to ensure the quality of performance by the teaching resources and analyze the deficiency in the system of the college as a whole to serve the students in a better way.
- The college offers various student-friendly services, e.g. scholarships, awards, incentives etc. through the Student Welfare committee to motivate and help the students to continue with their higher education successfully.
- The college emphasizes lab-based learning as a relevant and essential part of learning that gives students first-hand experience and offers better opportunities for learning. So, all the science departments of the college are well equipped to allow students to actually perform experiments rather than just read about them.
- The career counselling cell of the college makes the student aware of various career opportunities and creates placement opportunities by inviting employers and coordinating the placement activity in campus.

OUR WEAKNESS:

- Being situated in a rural area and of poor communication to this place, the college lags behind in creating job opportunities for students through campussing.
- Involvement of faculty in research activity is not adequate.
- The area of collaboration, consultancy and linkage is also inadequate.
- In different departments of the college there are large number of students, but in comparison to that the teaching posts are inadequate. Our college is suffering from shortage of permanent faculty due to Government's teacher recruitment and post creation policy.

OPPORTUNITY

- The college has opportunity to provide the facility of a girls hostel But the college is considering a lot of relevant concerns related to socio-cultural problems and security issues before finalizing the agenda.
- Having enormous student strength and a good number of competent faculties, the college has the opportunity to open PG courses in the college campus.
- The college being located in rural area, far from the city, there is demand in the college to open need based courses. In future, college may design and plan few need based courses as per the demand.
- The college has competent faculty to organize specialized training programmes to increase their skills in different areas of teaching and learning.
- The college has opportunity to create a better relationship and network among the stakeholders of the college for more productivity in future days.
- A large Number of students have demonstrated outstanding performance in sports and games. There is a scope of providing further support to them.
- Very recently, the Alumni association of the college(Saraswat) has been registered under the West Bengal Society Registration Act,1962. The college is yet to develop an Alumni tracking/management system for the organization of the student community and create a connection with the institution.

CHALLENGES

- The college receives limited Government grants and allocations which are not enough to augment the infrastructural facilities needed for this **student-heavy** college.
- A lot of students who take admission in this college belong to socio-economically backward class. The college faces challenge in helping them as they have diverse issues caused mainly due to economic and social inadequacy. Ensuring regularity of student's attendance owing to socio-economic reason remains a challenge.
- Reducing the drop-out rate of students owing to socio-economic reason is a real challenge.