

Academic Audit Report of Govt. Degree College Theog



An internal academic audit of all the departments was conducted for the Academic Session 2023-24 under the aegis of IQAC on 12th February 2024.

Departments of Chemistry, Computer Science, Botany, Zoology, were assessed by the following team members:

- 1. Dr. Vinay Mohan Sharma, Associate Professor, Department of English**
- 2. Dr. Satish Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics**
- 3. Dr. Kalpna Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of Music**

Departments of English, Hindi, Sociology, Geography, Music were assessed by the following team members:

- 1. Dr. Nidhi Dhatwalia, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology**
- 2. Ms. Rashika Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography**
- 3. Mr. Chandresh Verma, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics**

Departments of Political Science, History, Mathematics, Commerce were assessed by the following team members:

- 1. Dr. Yesh Dulta, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics**
- 2. Dr. Mohinder Rathour, Assistant Professor, Department of Music**
- 3. Dr. Saroj Negi, Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration**

Dr. Rakesh Sharma

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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Faculty of the department is well-qualified and experienced.
2. Extension activities are organised and well documented.
3. Courses on communication and soft-skills are organised for students.
4. Slow-learners and Advanced Learners are identified and guided accordingly.
5. Teaching- Learning pedagogy involves experiential learning (Presentations, seminars and workshops are organised for students) and Blended Learning(
6. Courses having focused on Employability and Skill development have been incorporated.
7. ICT enabled teaching is moderately followed.
8. The department has a well equipped Language Laboratory.

Scope of Improvement/ Recommendations:

1. Value added courses for imparting life skills/soft skills for students to be included.
2. Departmental collaborative initiatives with eminent institutions to be initiated.

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Well-qualified and experienced faculty.
2. Teacher-student ratio is very good.
3. Well-equipped laboratory
4. Field Visits, Projects, seminars and workshops are organised regularly.
5. Students motivated to enrol for Online-Certificate Courses on GIS, QGIS and Remote sensing etc.
6. ICT tools are used to disseminate knowledge.

Scope of Improvement/ Recommendations:

1. Courses related to skill enhancement (such as GIS, Geo Spatial Technology etc.) to be incorporated.

2. Departmental collaborative initiatives with eminent institutions shall be initiated.

DEPARTMENT OF HINDI

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Good enrolment of students in UG Courses.
2. Active participation of students and teachers in the literary activities organised by one of the prominent literary society of Himachal Pradesh-“Sarjak”
3. Strengthening the importance of Hindi Language Hindi Diwas is celebrated with great fervour by organising various activities for students.

Scope of Improvement/ Recommendations:

1. Diploma Courses in Translation, Office Hindi, Hindi typing to be introduced.
2. Linkages/Collaborations with other institutions to be initiated.

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Programmes and activities are regularly organised to develop leadership qualities among students.
2. Experiential Learning through field visits, projects and activities under Electoral Literacy Club is followed along with the traditional and blended teaching- learning methodology.
3. Department has incorporated activities related to gender, equity, inclusiveness and human values.
4. The department has formed an Electoral Literacy club under the guidance of Himachal Pradesh Election Commission with an objective of spreading electoral awareness among our youth thus making them smart voters.
5. Activities are organised by the department to make students aware about their constitutional obligations and teach them constitutional values.

Scope of Improvement/ Recommendations:

1. Student and Faculty Exchange Programmes with reputed National and International institutions to be explored.
2. More teachers are required in the department.

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Well-equipped Laboratory with ICT facilities.
2. Student-teacher ratio is good.
3. The department promotes experiential learning and participative learning.
4. Courses and programmes outcome are well -defined for all the courses.

Scope of Improvement/ Recommendations:

1. Requirement of a Science Block
2. Collaboration with Industries and reputed institutions are to be explored.

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Well-equipped Laboratory with ICT facilities.
2. Student-teacher ratio is good.
3. The department regularly assesses the learning capabilities of advance and slow learners through programmes like peer teaching, PowerPoint presentations etc
4. The best practice of the department is the Botanical Garden which has various botanically important plants, ornamental plants and medicinal plants.

Scope for Improvement:

1. Requirement of a Science Block
2. The department should take initiative to collaborate with different agencies like ICAR, Directorate of Mushroom Research, Solan, HFRI Shimla and HIMCOSTE to undertake extension and research activities for the students.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Student-teacher ratio is good.
2. Projects, seminars and workshops are organised regularly.
3. Slow-learners and Advanced Learners are identified and guided accordingly.

Scope for Improvement

1. The department must organise educational trips to enhance the knowledge of students.
2. Workshops should be conducted on statistics and data analysis
3. Research-related activities to be promoted.

DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

Strengths / Commendations:

1. All the proofs are maintained well by the department.
2. Well-equipped Laboratory with ICT facilities.
3. Student-teacher ratio is good.
4. The department regularly assesses the learning capabilities of advance and slow learners through programmes like peer teaching, Group Discussions, PowerPoint Presentations etc

Scope for Improvement: -

1. Requirement of a Science Block
2. Skill enhancement courses such as Poultry, Bee-Keeping, and Apiculture etc. to be incorporated/introduced.
3. Zoological Museum to be established for the practical demonstration.
4. Funding for the field visits to do Fauna Studies.

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Faculty of the department is well qualified.
2. All the proofs are maintained well by the department.
3. Well-equipped Laboratory with ICT facilities.
4. Student-teacher ratio is good.
5. Subject specific Add-on course “AVOGADRO” is offered to the students.

Scope for Improvement:

1. Requirement of a Science Block
2. Major/ Minor projects can be undertaken by the faulty members.
3. Collaboration with Industries and reputed institutions are to be explored.

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Student-teacher ratio is good.
2. The college has a dedicated computer lab to provide necessary skills and knowledge to make students better equipped for the technological/Digital world of the present time.

Scope of Improvement/ Recommendations:

1. Courses related to skill enhancement to be incorporated.
2. Departmental collaborative initiatives with eminent institutions to be initiated.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Strengths / Commendations:

1. Faculty of the department is well qualified.
2. All the proofs are maintained well by the department.
3. Experiential learning is strengthened in the department through project work/field work/internship programmes.
4. Department has adopted various strategies to satisfy the learning instinct of advanced learners and provides special attention slow learners.
5. Problem solving methodologies have been adopted to achieve learning objectives in the department.
6. Department has adopted blended mode of learning and also used modern techniques (ICT) in teaching learning process.
7. Holistic education is promoted in the department through the participation of faculty and students in various co-curricular activities.

Scope for Improvement:

1. Certificate courses can be started in the department
2. Linkages/collaborations with reputed institutions to be strengthened.

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Strengths / Commendations:

1. The necessary academic files were properly maintained.
2. Students are motivated to take part in various cultural and co-curricular activities.
3. The department has well organized music laboratory.
4. The department has offered Music as a Hobby subject to all the interested students.

Scope for Improvement:

1. More musical workshops can be organized under the banner of reputed bodies such as UGC, ICSSR.
2. Department needs to look for potential industry partnerships and collaborations.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Strengths / Commendations:

1. The necessary academic files, teaching learning activities of the department, e-content are well documented and uploaded.
2. Community and social development initiatives for both faculty and students are carried through exhibitions, field study, field survey, visit to museum, monuments and temples etc.
3. The department's initiatives for enhancing the learning levels of advanced as well as slow learners are done through the practice of consistent revisions of the syllabi and memory retention tests.
4. Department has incorporated activities to integrate knowledge from other fields e.g. Sociology, Economics, Ethics, Literature, Geography etc. to enrich historical understanding.
5. Emphasis is laid on improving the critical thinking, analysis and writing skills of the students -nurturing research aptitude in the students.

Scope for Improvement:

1. Student and faculty exchange program with reputed national and international institution may be explored. Visiting Professors/Faculty should be associated with the department to utilize their experience.
2. Museum may be established to enable collaborative research activities.
3. Department should organize Archaeological workshops under the banner of reputed bodies such as UGC, ICSSR

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Strengths / Commendations:

1. All necessary academic files, lesson plans are properly maintained and available.
2. Teaching Learning activities of the department are well documented.
3. Activities related to experiential learning (such as Case Studies, Field Visits, Cultural exhibitions) are well incorporated.

Scope for Improvement:

1. Departmental collaborative initiatives with eminent institutions to be initiated.
2. Generic Curriculum to be incorporated with courses such as