



Mahatma Gandhi Shikshan Mandal's

# ARTS, SCIENCE AND COMMERCE COLLEGE

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## Institutional Distinctiveness

### “Socio-economic upliftment of First-generation learners and Women Empowerment through Quality Education”

Mahatma Gandhi Shikshan Mandal's Arts, Science and Commerce College Chopda was established in 1969 by Hon'ble Dadasaheb Dr. Suresh G. Patil (Ex MLA) and former Education Minister Late Sau. Sharachchandrika Suresh Patil, to disseminate value-based education and uplift the vocational skills of rural masses for their holistic development. The college was established in response to the dire needs of the young generation of peasants and the landless workers, and poor and downtrodden inhabitants of the region, who instead of academic brilliance had no hope for higher education. The college fulfils its mission of creating an educational environment for the spiralling development of such people under the scholarly guidance of the pioneers, President and Management, Principal, Teaching, Nonteaching staff and with proper representation of students in various committees and activities. The distinctiveness of the institution lies in the “Socio-economic upliftment of Firstgeneration learners and Women Empowerment through Quality Education”. The college was established in the year 1969 and celebrating Golden Jubilee Year. In the purview of the Sanstha's splendid aphorism to educate students of poor peasants, farmers, Tribals, minority and workers of Chopda tehsil, our college was the sole option made available by the Sanstha for higher educational opportunities to the children of the aforesaid populace at the time of its establishment. A majority of the college students are first generation learners from remote, rural areas of the region. Due to orthodox and conservative background of the populace most of the girls were not allowed to attend or enrol higher education especially in a co-education college like ours. The college organises the women empowerment programs for making them confident enough to struggle the battle of life. Various eminent woman

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personalities are being invited for the guidance on several issues. Special health related Seminars, Yuvati Sabha, Swayam Siddha Abhiyan for Self-defence and various other co-curricular and cultural activities. Health check-up camps have been organised to find out the health issues and provided them with Government and private hospital help in the form of consultancy. College has higher girls enrolment ratio as compared to the state ratio. It has successfully been marching ahead and taking efforts endlessly for the betterment of socio-economically backward section of the society. The institute has been playing a pivotal role in the development of such students through the means of education. Around 70-80 % students enrolled in the college belong to economically and socially backward section of the society. The students come from nearby villages in the catchment area of 35 km. We feel proud to mention that the college has made commendable contribution in shaping careers of its thousands of students and played an astonishing role in the overall development of them who in turn have brought laurels to the college, state and country alike. The students have been benefited from the quality education provided by the college and attained the top positions in academic, social, political, cultural, sports, etc. provinces.

