7.3.1 (Institutional Distinctiveness)

Provide the details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust in not more than 500 words

Extended learning initiative

As a part of strategy for knowledge enrichment of learners beyond the limits of course syllabus, the institution is providing value-added, capacity building and Core/Honours supportive courses to the students from time to time in tune with the mission strategy for academic excellence. While continuing the enrichment strategy, another area- extended learning through invited lecture which has been neglected during the previous years is decided, with the initiative of IQAC, to give emphasis. The lecture should be on emerging issues or areas beyond the syllabus of a particular major subject with the view to widen the horizon of knowledge and outlook of the students.

During the year 2019-20, 9 (nine) such lecture programmes were organised by the different Departments in different times, particularly with their own students and other interested students in general. Students were invited to participate in interaction with the resource persons. Many encouraging suggestions and advice were given to students.

- i. An Extension/Invited Lecture Programme was held on 22nd August, 2019 with Dr. Chandrasekhar Mohanty, Principal Scientist, National Botanical Research Institute, CSIR, Lucknow. The lecture benefitted faculty and students of Life Science in their teaching-learning activity.
- ii. On 20th December, 2019, Mathematics Department organised an extension lecture programme on Application of LPP in Vehicle Routine Problem in the college with Dr. M. Kuber Singh (Associate Professor, Dhanamanjury College of Science) as resource person. The lecture cum interaction with the students was lively.
- iii. On19th February, 2020, Chemistry Department organized an Interdisciplinary Extension Lecture Programme on "VISION... How Science and Technology will revolutionize the 21st Century" with resource person Prof. N. Rajmuhon Singh of Manipur University.
- iv. A two- day Lecture Programme was organized by the Department of Botany on Feb. 24-25 on the topics-
 - (a) Commercial cultivation of Medicinal & Aromatic Plants in Manipur delivered by Dr. Joyrentomba, Project Co-ordinator of MSME Technology Centre, Imphal,
 - (b) Tissue-Culture Techniques by Dr. Y. Sunitibala Devi, Asso. Prof. G.P. college
 - (c) Techniques of Mushroom Cultivation by N. Ningthemjao Singh, Dy. Director, Horticulture & Soil Conservation, Govt. of Manipur and
 - (d) Food processing and Quality Control by H. Simithra Devi, Proprietor, Meira Foods, Imphal. The programme instilled a sense of entrepreneurship skill to the participants.

v. On 6^{th} March, 2020, an extension lecture for Science Faculty was held in the Conference Hall of the College on the topic- 'Climate Change' with external resource person Dr. T. Brajakumar Singh, Deputy Director, Directorate of Environment and Climate Change, Manipur.

vi. On 7th March, 2020, an extension lecture programme was conducted by Physics Department on Radiation & its Effect with external resource person Dr. B. Arunkumar Sharma, Medical Physicist, Radiotherapy Department of RIMS, Imphal.

The students of all Semester classes, particularly 5th & 6th Semester were benefitted. Feedback from teachers and the students were received. The number of such programme is planning to increase during the next year with participation of all the Departments.