Welcome to Siliguri College

Dear Aspirants,

Siliguri College commemorates its 69th anniversary with all the experiences, innovations, opportunities and relationships it has imbibed and shared in all its 69 years of existence. We take pride to state that the college has maintained its excellent reputation in providing holistic education to thousands of students who studied here and subsequently went ahead to make significant contribution to society. Every year we encounter numerous students who wish to seek admission to our college. It is our deep regret that we cannot accommodate them all as we are compelled to abide by the strict admission guidelines laid down by the University of North Bengal to which this college is affiliated.

We have been working hard to have ushered in a dynamic Siliguri College into the new millennia. Siliguri College has turned into a premier educational institution in Bengal. However, this fact does not make us complacent and rather encourages us to thrive for bigger academic achievements in the future. Our endeavour is to move beyond the conventional academic programmes in order to keep pace with the fast changing academic scenario. With a singular mix of pride and satisfaction we can furnish highlights of some of the observations made by the NAAC Peer Team while appreciating our efforts. The report appreciates the degree of progress in academic and character building courses that our students are involved in and suggests to initiate Post Graduate courses in the science subjects. Keeping in line with the suggestions by the NAAC team, the college has started post-graduate courses in Geography, Applied Geography and Bengali from 2018.

Over the years, the college has also built up an impressive infrastructure. The college boasts of a well-stocked Central Library and department libraries for science subjects. The college is equipped with four computer labs and 07 Science laboratories. A seminar room with a seating capacity of 150 and two hostels accommodating about 100 undergraduate students, both boys and girls also grace the college campus. We have more than sixty percent female students across various streams in the college and the number is rapidly increasing in every academic session. Our sports facilities include a vast playground, and a proposal to set up an indoor games centre in the campus. With the present importance given to physical education, we will be shortly upgrading the sporting infrastructure in the college. The college promotes N.S.S. & N.C.C. units and other co-curricular activities for the overall development of the students. For the benefit of meritorious and needy students, the college has a number of Prizes and awards and free-ships which students can benefit from.

The college has a highly qualified teaching faculty, many of whom have received national and international honours for their outstanding teaching and academic records. The teachers also serve as consultants and resource persons for important governmental and voluntary agencies, as well as for universities all over the country. The aim of the college is to constantly improve the teaching learning experience for the students so that they can aim for perfection and excellence in all aspects of life.

Let us take this opportunity to congratulate you on your easy passage through your school-leaving examinations as well as to wish you success in the days to come.

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About the College:

Siliguri College on its 69th anniversary year was established on October 8, 1950 and over the years has witnessed enviable growth. At present it is, in many ways, the college of first choice under the University of North Bengal. Initially, it was affiliated to University of Calcutta till 1962 when the University of North Bengal came into being.

With a modest beginning as an intermediate college in 1950, Siliguri College has evolved, with the passage of time, into one of the finest educational institutions in West Bengal. Supported by a sprawling, enviable campus, impressive

infrastructure, and a sincere dedicated faculty, the college has been imparting education in a wide variety of academic disciplines ranging from Humanities and Science, both Honours Programme and Programme courses, to Carrier Oriented Program subjects to the students of Siliguri and the surrounding region. To accommodate students from various socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds, the college offers wide choices in academic disciplines. It may be mentioned in this regard that this college is perhaps the only institution in this region, which offers honours programme courses in five languages - English, Bengali, Hindi and Nepali and Sanskrit.

Responding to the changing times and the demands of the new information technology driven age, Siliguri College has harboured a shift in the direction of its education policy. The thrust on education with an eye on jobs has resulted in the opening of a number of job-oriented courses including Travel and Tourism Management, Computer Science, Mass Communication and Journalism and BBA in Tourism, Aviation & Hospitality.

Relentless efforts on the part of the teaching and non teaching staff coupled with their warmth and cooperation have provided a friendly, amiable ambience to the college, offering the right conditions to students who wish to excel and shine in life. The vision mooted by the college authorities has ensured Siliguri College the position of a unique and distinguished centre of learning. Every year, students of different departments of the college top the university examinations.

The college has a well-qualified faculty and has 65 sanctioned substantive posts in various departments. Out of which as many as 35 teachers are Ph.D. degree holders and a large number of them are engaged in active research work. In addition, there are a good number of government approved part-time and contractual teachers. We also have the honour of having as our guests some eminent scholars in different disciplines.

Commensurate with the growing demand, North Bengal University had introduced Post-Graduate courses in few selected colleges of North Bengal. Siliguri College being one of them has been able to introduce Post Graduate Courses in Geography & Applied Geography and Bengali from the academic session 2018-2019.

Former students of the college are well placed in society and have achieved success and laurels in various professional, commercial, cultural, social and creative fields. They have expressed their willingness to set up an Alumni Association which will help strengthen bond between them and the institution. The college authorities appreciate this effort by former students and will come forw.ard to extend full cooperation to them.

Future Plans:

- 1. Career Counselling Cell.
- 2. Opening of new courses main stream.
- 3. Opening of Multimedia courses.
- 4. Opening of PG courses in History and Political Science.
- 5. Diploma course in Citizen Rights and Public Governance.
- 6. Diploma course in Aesthetics and Performance Studies.
- 7. Introduction of UG course in Anthropology.
- 8. Centre for Foreign Languages in collaboration with private companies.
- 9. Construction of Boys' Common Room with good infrastructure.
- 10. Completion of the newly proposed four-storied building.

Accolades and Achievements:

Every year meritorious students of Siliguri College earn accolades by their exceptional performance in various admission tests in institutes of repute. Science students have been passing the JAM exams for admission to PG courses in the various IITs. Last couple of years a large number of students qualified in JAM. Our students have also qualified for admission in prestigious institutes such as IISER (Indian Institute of Science Education and Research) and TIFR (Tata Institute of Fundamental Research). Besides that, student of professional courses such as Mass Communication and Journalism as well as Microbiology have made impressive careers in their respective fields after passing out from this college.

College Days and Timings:

Classes begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. from Monday to Saturday.

Admission Procedure:

Keep the following items in your hand before filling up online admission form. At the time of online form fill up, candidates are required to upload the following documents to the online portal.

- Admit card of Madhyamik Pariksha or equivalent document for age proof.
- ➤ Mark-sheet of 10+2 examination of 2016 onwards.
- > SC / ST / OBC (A / B) / PwD certificate of the applicant [only for SC / ST / OBC (A / B) and specially-abled candidates].
- Colour photograph.
- > Personal Mobile number.

Note: The college authority reserves the right to cancel any admission.

Eligibility for Admissions:

a) Honours Program Course:

A student shall be allowed to take admission in the Honours Program Course of B.A. /B.Sc. / BCA & BBA if he/ she / transgender has passed in at least four (04) subjects excluding Environmental Studies with English as compulsory subject in the Higher Secondary [10+2] Examination held by the West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education or any other Examination which is recognized by the University as equivalent thereto.

Provided that a candidate who has obtained- (a) 55% marks in the aggregate, or (b) 50% in the aggregate with 60% marks in a subject in the last qualifying Examination shall be eligible to apply for Honours Program in that subject. Admission shall however be on merit and availability of seats.

Provided that for SC/ST Candidates- the minimum marks for eligibility shall be as per Rules of the State Government.

Provided further that in matter of eligibility 54.5% marks or above shall be equal to 55%, 49.5% and above shall be equal to 50% and 59.5 marks or above shall be equal to 60%.

b) Program Course:

A student shall be allowed to take admission in the Program Course of B.A. /B.Sc. if he/ she / transgender has passed in at least four (04) subjects excluding Environmental Studies with English as compulsory subject in the Higher Secondary [10+2] Examination held by the West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education or any other Examination which is recognized by the University as equivalent thereto.

A candidate shall be allowed to pursue B.A. / B. Sc. Program Course if he/ she/ transgender have passed the qualifying Examination in Vocational Stream subjects.

Provided however that

- i) A candidate shall be allowed to take up any subject except Computer Science, Microbiology, and such other interdisciplinary subjects in B.A. / B.Sc. Course if he/ she / transgender have passed in the corresponding subject (s) at the Higher Secondary Examination (10+2) recognized as equivalent by the University.
- ii) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Sociology as Honours Program and Program subject if he /she / transgender have passed the subjects History, Philosophy, Political Science in the previous qualifying exams.
- iii) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Physics Subject if he/ she / transgender have passed in Mathematics and Chemistry along with Physics and other subject as prescribed at the qualifying examination.
- iv) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Chemistry Subject if he/ she / transgender have passed in Mathematics and Physics along with Chemistry and other subject as prescribed at the qualifying examination.
- v) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Botany / Zoology Subject if he/ she/ transgender have passed in Biology at the qualifying examination.
- vi) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Physiology Honours Program / Program Course subject if he /she / transgender have passed in Biological Science and Chemistry at the qualifying examination.

- a) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Computer Science Subject if he/ she/ transgender have passed in Mathematics at the qualifying examination.
- b) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Microbiology Subject if he/ she/ transgender have passed in Chemistry and Biology at the qualifying Examination.
- c) A candidate shall be required to take Chemistry as a Generic Elective subject for study in Microbiology Honours Program.
- viii) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Honours Program in Economics as if he/ she / transgender have passed in Mathematics or Business Economics including Business Mathematics and other subjects as prescribed at the qualifying examination.
- ix) No student other than those of Science stream and Economics / Geography of Arts stream shall be allowed to take Science subjects as Generic Elective Subjects.
- x) No student of Honours Program in Arts stream other than those of Geography and Economics shall be allowed to take Science subjects as Generic Elective Subjects.
- xi) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Geography subject as Honours Program / Program Course if he / she / transgender have passed in Geography with other subjects at the qualifying examination.
- xii) A candidate shall be allowed to take up Mass Communication and Journalism as Honours Program if he / she / transgender have passed in any stream at the qualifying examination.
- xiii) A candidate shall be allowed to take up BBA and BCA as Honours Program Course if he /she / transgender have passed in any stream at the qualifying examination.
 - xiv) A candidate pursuing Honours in a subject shall not be allowed to take up the same subject as Generic Elective.
- xv) A candidate pursuing Honours Program Course in a Language subject will be allowed to take another Language subject as a Generic Elective Subject.
- xvi) While taking Discipline Specific Core & Generic Elective subjects, availability of the said subjects in the concerned Colleges shall be taken into cognizance.

Admission and E-counselling:

Admission to various courses in the college will be made strictly on the basis of merit [estimated by an index approved by the University of North Bengal and subject to such eligibility criteria and conditions as laid down by the college authorities]. A single merit list will be prepared taking applicants from all recognized boards together.

For Honours Course:

 $Merit = [Marks \ obtained \ in \ English + marks \ obtained \ in \ the \ subject \ opted \ for \ Honours + best \ marks \ of \ other two \ (2) \ subjects \ excluding \ EVS]/4$

If the student does not have the specific subject opted for Honours in his / her previous course, the procedure for merit calculation will be as follows,

Merit = [Marks obtained in English + marks obtained in other Three (3) best scored subjects excluding EVS]/4

Admission to all Program Courses will also be based strictly on merit. Merit shall be calculated as per the following norms:

For Program Course:

Merit = [Marks obtained in English + marks obtained in other Three (3) best scored subjects excluding EVS]/4

Courses of Study:

List of Subjects for B.A. Honours Program Course:

The subjects offered by the college for BA Honours Program course are listed below along with their seat capacity.

	Honours				Seat Capacity	7		
	Subject	UR	SC	ST	OBC - A	OBC - B	PwD	Total
1	English	61	22	6	5	5	3	102
2	Bengali	61	22	6	5	5	3	102
3.	Hindi	41	15	4	4	4	2	70
4.	Nepali	33	12	3	3	3	2	56
5.	Sanskrit	18	7	2	1	1	1	30
6.	Economics	41	15	4	4	4	2	70
7.	Geography	25	9	3	2	2	1	42
8.	History	61	22	6	5	5	3	102
9.	Political Science	61	22	6	5	5	3	102
10.	Philosophy	61	22	6	5	5	3	102
11.	Sociology	61	22	6	5	5	3	102
12.	Mass Communication & Journalism (Self Finance Course)	39	14	4	3	3	2	65
13	BBA (Self Finance Course)	24	9	2	2	2	1	40

^{*}Reservations as per government rules.

At the time of admission, a student will identify an Honours Program / Program Course in which he / she / transgender shall concentrate. Apart from the Discipline specific Core Course he / she / transgender will have to select Generic Elective courses. He / she / transgender will also have to select Discipline Specific Elective courses, Ability Enhancement Core Courses and Skill Enhancement Courses from the provided pool of choices.

COURSE COMBINATIONS/BASKETS

(The following Discipline specific Course subject and Generic Elective Course Subject combinations are to be strictly followed).

B.A. HONOURS PROGRAM COURSE (SELECT ANY ONE COURSE)

Bengali	History
English	Economics
Hindi	Political Science
Nepali	Philosophy
Sanskrit	Sociology
Geography	Mass Communication & Journalism (Self Finance Course)

Two Generic Elective Courses (GE) to be selected as any <u>ONE</u> from each basket below for **B.A. Honours Program** and **SEC course** will be same as **DSC course**.

No student of Honours Program in Arts stream other than those of **Geography** and **Economics** shall be allowed to take **Science subjects** as **Generic Elective Subjects**.

Group – A (1 st Semester & 2 nd Semester)	Group – B (3 rd Semester & 4 th Semester)
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Bengali	Geography
English	Education
Hindi	Philosophy
Nepali	Physical Education
Sanskrit	Political Science
History	Sociology
Economics	

List of subjects for B.A. Programme Course:

The subjects offered by the college for B.A. General Degree are listed below along with their respective combinations.

Discipline Specific Courses (DSC) and Generic Elective (GE) Course subject: Select any <u>Three Course subject</u> (taking any one Course subject each from any two group as DSC and any one Course subject from remaining one group as GE of the 3 groups below and SEC course subject will be same as DSC course subject):

Group A	Group B	Group C
Bengali	Economics	Geography
English	Education	Physical Education
Hindi	History	Political Science
Nepali	Philosophy	Sociology
Sanskrit		

List of Subjects for B.Sc. Honours Program Course:

The subjects offered by the college for B.Sc. Honours degree are listed below along with their seat capacity.

	Honours				Seat Capacity	7						
	Subject	UR	SC	ST	OBC - A	OBC - B	PwD	Total				
1	Physics	22	8	2	2	2	1	37				
2	Chemistry	21	8	2	2	2	1	36				
3.	Mathematics	32	12	3	3	3	1	54				
4.	Computer Science (Self Finance Course)	30	11	3	3	2	1	50				
5.	Zoology	20	7	2	2	2	1	34				
6.	Botany	20	7	2	2	2	1	34				
7.	Physiology	19	7	2	2	1	1	32				
8.	Microbiology	23	9	2	2	2	1	39				
9.	BCA (Self Finance Course)	37	13	4	3	3	2	62				

^{*}Reservations as per government rules.

B.Sc. HONOURS PROGRAM COURSE

HONOURS	SELECT ANY TWO FOR GENERIC ELECTIVE					
	GE 1	GE 2				
Physics (Mathematics Mandatory)	Mathematics	Chemistry	Statistics			
Chemistry	Physics	Mathematics				
Mathematics (Physics Mandatory)	Physics	Statistics	Chemistry			
Computer Science (Mathematics Mandatory)	Mathematics	Physics	Statistics			
Zoology	Chemistry	Botany				
Botany	Chemistry	Zoology				
Physiology (Zoology Mandatory)	Zoology	Botany	Chemistry			
Microbiology	Chemistry	Botany				

B.Sc. PROGRAM COURSE

BASKET 1	BASKET 1 BASKET 2		BASKET 4
Mathematics	Chemistry	Physics	Zoology
Microbiology	Computer Science	Botany	Statistics
Physiology			

Note: For Economics Honours Program Course the Generic subject combination shall be Mathematics (1^{st} and 2^{nd} semester) and any one subject from the Group – B Basket (for 3^{rd} and 4^{th} Semester) of B.A. Honours Program.

For B.Sc. Program:- Any 3 course subject one from each basket subjects from the 4 given basket subjects for Discipline specific Course and any 2 course subject as Skill Enhancement Courses from the above chosen 3 Discipline specific Course subject.

Admission Fee Structure:

Registration:

After admission every student is required to get himself/herself registered with the University of North Bengal. Admission of a student migrating from an academic board other than the West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education remains provisional and is liable to cancellation if the migration certificate and other necessary documents are not submitted in due time or the University of North Bengal does not approve the migration. The medium of instruction in the college is English & Bengali. Only language papers are taught in their respective languages.

Attendance & Examination:

Identity Card

Identity Cards will be issued simultaneously to each student as soon as he/she secures admission. Students are required to bring their identity cards with them to college and produce them as and when necessary. A student may not be allowed to attend classes if he/she is unable to produce his/her identity card on demand. Loss of identity cards must be reported immediately to the office, submitting a copy of a F.I.R. and receipt of fine paid to the institution. Misuse of identity cards is liable to penalisation. Identity cards must be returned after completion of the course to which the candidate has been admitted.

Academic Schedule

The Academic Session would begin on July, 2019 and close on June, 2020. Classes are scheduled to commence in the first week of July.

During the academic session each department of the college would organise, on a regular basis, student participatory seminars, essay competitions, group discussions and debates. A report on the students' response, performance and overall involvement in these activities would be duly submitted to the Academic Committee and the Principal at the end of each academic year.

Points to be noted

Name of a student will be struck off from the roll if he/she fails to attend classes during the first 15 days of the new academic session. A student absent from classes for more than 10 consecutive days without prior intimation to the Principal / Head of the department will have his/her name struck off from the Roll. Students will not be allowed to

appear in semester examination if they don't have the requisite attendance in class. Attendance of **at least 75 percent** of the classes held during the course of the study is necessary as eligibility for appearing at the University Semester Examinations.

When a student is required to represent the college in competitive events like athletics, cultural activities, debates etc., he/she must apply for permission to the Principal in writing in advance. Exemption from attendance for other reasons may be granted only if permitted by the Principal in writing. Such permission must be obtained well in advance and not at the time of examination. A certificate from a recognized medical practitioner should support medical leave application. A student suffering from any contagious or infectious disease will not be allowed to attend the college unless he is certified to that effect from a recognized medical practitioner.

Each student admitted to the college for the academic session 2019-2020 must fulfill the minimum attendance requirements as per the compulsory undertaking by every student, failing which the college shall have the right to take necessary action. All leave applications must be duly signed by the student, clearly mentioning his/her roll number, section, subject combination and countersigned by parents/guardians.

General Rules & Discipline:

General Rules

- (1) Students must be punctual and regular in attending classes.
- (2) They should come to the college in uniform. Their dress under no circumstance should be unbecoming of a student attending an educational institution.
- (3) Students must consult the college notice board and college website everyday and comply, failing which the college authorities will not be responsible for any inconvenience faced by them.
- (4) No student is allowed to attend coaching classes, join other courses of study or engage himself/herself in any other activity whatsoever during college hours.
- (5) Students are required to attend extra-curricular activities organised by the institution.
- (6) Prohibition of the usage of cell phones by students within the campus.

Discipline

The college expects its students to conduct themselves in a disciplined and dignified manner within and outside the college premises. Admission of the student in each case implies an undertaking on the part of the student and parents / guardians to follow the rules and regulations of the College and maintain its discipline. Some of the provisions to be followed are:

- (1) Students are responsible for their conduct to the Principal and are prohibited from doing anything, either inside or outside the college premises, which will amount to a breach of discipline or interference in the discipline and normal working of the college. A student will be liable to disciplinary action for violation of any rules of discipline. Disciplinary action may involve warning, and /or fine, and /or suspension from classes, or from examinations, from use of the college library or even from the college as such or any such action as provided under the Rules of Discipline of the University of North Bengal.
- (2) Students shall conduct themselves in a disciplined manner both towards the members of the staff (teaching and administrative) and towards their fellow students. Use of indecent language or arrogant conduct including teasing etc., shall be severely dealt with.
- (3) Students shall maintain perfect silence in class rooms and desist from demonstrations or disorderly behaviour. They must not loiter in the corridors or in front of class rooms and must maintain as much silence as possible at all times. During their free periods, students should work quietly in the library or reading room without causing any disturbance.
- (4) Students shall take proper care of the college furniture and other college property at its premises, and must not spoil or cause any damage to or tamper with college property, furniture, fittings etc.

- (5) Students shall leave their bicycles, scooters or motorcycles in the shed provided for this purpose. No bicycles, scooters or motorcycles shall be parked in any other part of the college premises.
- (6) No society can be formed in the college nor shall any person be invited to address a meeting in the college premises without prior permission of the Principal.
- (7) **Anti Ragging Cell:** As per the recent verdict of the apex court vis-a-vis campus ragging in any form is strictly prohibited within and outside the college premises. During the time of admission for 1st semester students need to U.G.C. Regulations on curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009. The term ragging includes individual or collective acts or practices which:
- (a) Involve physical assault or threat, and/or use of physical force;
- (b) Violate the status, dignity and honour of female students;
- (c) Violate the status, dignity and honour of students belonging to the schedule castes and tribes;
- (d) Expose students to ridicule and contempt and affect their self-esteem;
- (e) Entail verbal abuse and aggression, indecent gestures and obscene behaviour.

Anyone found to be guilty of indulging in any of the above mentioned offences will face exemplary punitive actions.

(8) Use of intoxicants, drugs or alcoholic drinks is strictly prohibited within the college premises.

Library

The college has a well-equipped library containing text and reference books. Besides these, there are sizeable collections of gazetteers, encyclopedias and many rare and out of print books and manuscripts in the library. At present the library has over 50,000 volumes. It is located in the first two floors of the library block. The library remains open from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. during weekdays and from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Saturday. A student can borrow books from the library on production of his/her library card which will be issued to students soon after their admission. The library also has a reading room in the first floor of the building. In addition to the general library some departments of the college have their own seminar library.

Remedial Courses

Over and above the normal college teaching, Siliguri College has taken an initiative to introduce UGC funded remedial courses from time to time in different subjects. All doubts and difficulties of the students are cleared and added information is provided in these courses.

Career Counselling

The college has decided to refurbish the Career Counselling cell which shall provide appropriate guidance and counselling to students to help them understand better the different prospects and opportunities that each vocation/ stream offers.

Assistance for Entry Level Exams for Govt. and Allied Services

Another unique move initiated by the college is the decision to set up a special cell which would render guidance and assistance to students appearing for entry level examinations for government and allied services. The move would particularly benefit those students of this region who have the talent and the potential to achieve success in various job oriented competitive examinations but are unable to do so due to the absence of right guidance and approach.

Features:

Hostel

There are two separate hostels for boys and girls in the college campus itself. The boys' hostel can accommodate 66 boarders (including PG and UG Courses), while the girls' hostel can accommodate 48 boarders (including PG & UG

Courses). A student seeking accommodation in any of these two hostels must apply in prescribed form available on the college website after their admission. At the beginning of the session only a few hostel seats will be available; there may be more rooms available as the session progresses. Boarders are required to vacate the hostels during the period of Puja Vacation. In all matters of discipline and conduct, the hostels are governed by the Hostel Superintendents.

Common Room

There is a common room for girls' in the college.

Complaints

Complaints relating to violation of college rules or campus ragging or to other disciplinary matters should be brought to the notice of the Principal / Head of the Department of the concerned Departments or the Hostel Superintendent as the case may be.

Prizes and Awards

At present there are few awards & prizes for meritorious students, as follows:

- (i) Late Prof. Sanat Mandal Memorial Prize to a student scoring highest marks in the graduation examination with Philosophy Honours from the college each year.
- (ii) Late Prof. Sanat Mandal Memorial Prize to a student scoring highest marks in graduation examination with Physics Honours from the college each year.
- (iii) Late Dr. Shyamal Chakraborty Memorial Prize to a student scoring highest marks in graduation examination with Economics Honours from the college each year.

Full-free & Half-free Studentship

Full-free & Half-free studentship is awarded to meritorious and needy students on the basis of their results and alround performance in the college. Scholarship may be withdrawn at any time due to unsatisfactory progress or conduct or for any other reason deemed sufficient for the purpose. Applications may be made on plain paper and must be enclosed by two certificates from respectable personalities, regarding the financial condition of the applicants' family. Genuine BPL/APL card holders are also entertained for full-free & half-free studentship.

Students' Aid Fund

The amount collected from students towards this fund is used to offer one-time grant to needy meritorious students. A student seeking financial help from Students' Aid Fund should apply in plain paper to the Principal of the College.

Magazine/Seminar Proceedings

Each year the Student's Union of the college publishes its yearly magazine. The contributors are mostly students of the college. The magazine has four sections: Bengali, English, Hindi and Nepali. Besides, various departments have their own magazines published at regular intervals of time.

Celebrations

The college celebrates and observes the following events and days:

Rabindra Jayanti (25 Baishakh), Bhanubhakth Jayanti, Independence Day, Republic Day, Hindi Bhasa Diwas, National Science Day (28 February), Matri Bhasa Diwas (21 February), Saraswati Puja (Basant Panchami), College Foundation Day (8 October), World Environment Day (5 June), Basanta Utsab, Rakhi Bandhan.

Centre for Women Study (CWS)

The Women Study Cell was established in August, 2004. Since its inception, the cell has been actively involved in bringing into focus various issues and aspects of women empowerment and self reliance. To this end, seminars, openforum discussions and workshops have been organised regularly and with great success.

NCC

Admission to the NCC is open to all students of the college. Students are advised to contact the NCC Officer of the college immediately after admission for enrolment. On regular basis NCC cadets have represented the college at the Republic Day Parade in New Delhi. The cadets assist the various functions of the college to maintain discipline and order. The NCC has helped many cadets shape their careers vis-avis building up of leadership, confidence and sportsmanship like qualities.

NSS

There are four NSS units in the College. NSS enables a student to render his/her service for social welfare. Students interested in joining NSS should apply in plain paper to the Programme Officer of NSS, Siliguri College.

Youth Parliament

The college also trains students in parliamentary activities and events through the youth parliament team. The youth Parliament teams of the college have won district level inter college youth parliament competitions for many years and has been an active ingredient in developing debating skills among students as well as a basic understanding of the functioning of Indian democracy.

Students' Union

As per government rules and the university statute, the college has a Students' Union. The members of the union are elected annually from and by the students of the college.

Railway Concession

Students may obtain railway concessions for train journeys to their homes and back during vacations. No railway concessions are awarded to students for any other journey. However, Group Railway Concessions are issued to student groups on educational tours, field study trips, excursions, etc., conducted by any department of the college.

Grievance Redressal Cell

The Grievance Redressal Cell has representation from students, teachers and members of the office staff. Any grievances, arising out of misunderstandings or non-cooperation from any quarter or from any other cause are redressed through this cell.

Annual Social

The Students' Union organises each year Annual Social of the college. It gives an opportunity to the students of the college to express and display their talents in front of large audience. Annual Social is also an opportunity for the students to experience live performance of renowned artistes.

Sports

The college play ground measuring more than 10,000 sq.m. is well maintained. Annual sports and outdoor games like cricket, football, etc., are held in the play ground. The college also provides for amenities for track and field events. Physical Education department of the college and College Sports Committee looks after the progress of sportsperson. A good number of students have represented at Inter-Varsity, State, National and International level particularly in table tennis, athletics meets and kho-kho meets and won distinction at the Inter-Varsity, State and National level from the college. Trekking expeditions are also conducted to give a fillip to Adventure Sports.

Quiz Club

The college has also recently established a quiz club to encourage quizzing among its students. The club has plans of actively encouraging its members to participate in various quizzes held across the region of North Bengal thereby promoting a spirit of critical and lateral thinking amongst the students.