

## SR&BGNR. Government Arts & Science College (Autonomous), Khammam

### Profile

Sri Rama and Bhaktha Gentela Narayana Rao (SR & BGNR) Government Arts & Science College was established in 1956, with the generous contribution of Rs. 1,00,000/- by a renowned philanthropist, Sri Gentela Narayana Rao. The circumstances led to the establishment of the college are awe-inspiring. With the end of Nizam's rule of the erstwhile Hyderabad State, Khammam district was bifurcated from the Warangal district. It was a time when there was no degree college in the Telangana region except in the Hyderabad city. In such a circumstances, then Chief Minister of A.P. Sri Boorgula Ramakrishna Rao decided to establish one degree college in each district so that the middle and poor rural youth can have access to the higher education. In these circumstances, late Sri G.V. Butt, then District Collector of Khammam formed a committee with the elite of the town such as Sri Bommakanti Satyanarayana, Sri S.N. Murthy, Sri V. Srinivasa Rao, Sri Kouturi Krishna Murthy and Sri Ravulapati Janaki Rama Rao for initiating the noble cause. Fund raising was the hurdle which they decided to overcome with the proposal of selling away the Green Jade Locket of Lord Sithamma of Bhadrachalam temple. The news reached to the ears of Sri Gentela Narayana Rao and become greatly upset. He met the District Collector and requested not to sell the Locket of Sithamma and , in return, offered an amount of Rs. One lakh for acquiring land for the proposed college with the condition that the College should be named on Lord Sri Rama followed by his name, Bhaktha Gentela Narayana Rao. Hence the college is named as SRI RAMA & BHAKTA GENTELA NARAYANA RAO GOVT. COLLEGE, KHAMMAM.

The college sprawls, at present, in about 37.37 acres with a huge U-shaped building in the middle. The building is encircled by a beautiful garden and appealing landscape. It consists of 40 class-rooms, 6 e-class rooms, 1 Virtual class room, 16 Laboratories, a vast Library, Physical Education room, 03 Computer Labs with 80 computers, a sophisticated JKC Lab with 20 systems with 24 hour internet facility and headphones, a Cooperative store, a Gymnasium, a spacious Auditorium, a Seminar hall with LCD and OHP facilities, and audio equipment and a basket-ball court. With the approval of the Hon'ble CCE, a new Examination block and Administrative block is under construction from the accumulated fund of the institution.

The college has geared up for state-of-the-art technology with office and a fully automated library, with departments connected with the internet facilities and broadband networking accessibility for both faculty and the students. In addition, e-classroom is established in the library as an added advantage to the students to impart qualitative learning.

At present the College has been functioning with a strength

The College has 4 faculties in UG - Arts, Commerce Physical Sciences and Life Sciences. There are 21 departments- 10 in Arts, 1 in Commerce and 10 in Sciences. The College is offering 8 PG courses, namely M.Sc (Botany, Zoology, Physics & Chemistry), M.A (Telugu, Economic & Political Science) and M.Com., under the jurisdiction of Kakatiya University, Warangal. The college is staffed with 68 Regular faculty, 11 Contract faculty and 8 guest faculty members. It has 17 non teaching staff. Out of the 68 Regular Faculty members 25 are doctorate holders and 5 are M. Phil holders. As many as 17 lecturers are recipients of State Best Teacher Award given by the State Government. A total student strength of 4252 UG and 640 PG are pursuing their studies in the college, making it as the 4<sup>th</sup> Top Government College of the Telangana State.

A sizable totally automated library of approximately 4000sqft, well equipped with excellent learning resources, caters to the needs of the young aspirants and adds to the potential of the College. A total of 55,542 books are available in the Library covering almost all the topics that attract the learners. It also equipped with INFIBINET and SOUL 2.0 Library Software. Departments also maintain Mini Libraries for ready reference and use by staff and students. The college has student - managed hostels (SMH) for BC, SC & ST students.

The College has a Gym for the benefit of its students. It ensures the physical fitness of both boys & girls as a sound body provides a sound mind. Different time slots are provided for girls & boys. Sufficient equipment is there in the gym for the students. A well maintained cricket ground and vast play fields provide an ambience suitable for rigorous sports activity. An Indoor stadium / auditorium is also constructed with the financial assistance of the UGC.

The institution has one NCC unit having a strength of with 50 student and three NSS units, each having strength of 100 students to take part in the community service programmes. Many NCC cadets and NSS volunteers bagged various University, State and National level prizes.

6 class rooms were ICT enabled with LCD projectors, computers and Internet connectivity. Most of the teaching staff members are using these ICT-enabled class rooms for the past few years. There is a centralized audio system, connected to all class rooms, for making general announcements. There is a centralized Internet facility for the students of the college in the Library.

Till now, the institution has completed 3-cycles of NAAC accreditation with B++ grade 2.84 CGPA in 2016. Autonomous status was granted in 2015-16 Academic year and running successfully till date. The Institution is ISO 9001-2015 certified.

Faculty from the institution have completed 3 Major Research Projects and 6 Minor Research Projects, published 50 Research publications during the last 5-years.

The college has won overall state championship 3-times in CCEs flagship Yuvatarangam competitions. It has been conducting National and International Seminars/Conferences/workshops from time to time. Under the Covid situation, the college conducted many National & International WEBINARS by using the Online Platforms to get the international exposure of the subject expertise.