## **7.3 Institutional Distinctiveness**

Provide the details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust

Provide the weblink of the institution in not more than 500 words

Our college has a Ph.D. Research Centre in Commerce (Business Policy and Administration) and in Accountancy, both recognized by the University of Mumbai. The college has a well defined policy to promote research which is as follows:

- To inculcate a research culture amongst students and faculty.
- To provide appropriate ICT infrastructure facilities.
- To collaborate with renowned libraries for research.
- To provide time off and duty leave to conduct research.
- To collaborate with industries for research.
- To organize conferences, workshops and seminars in the campus.
- To invite eminent researchers to inspire the students and faculty.
- The college has constituted a Research Committee to nurture research aptitude of faculty members as well as students. The composition of the committee is as follows: Chairperson: Principal Dr. M. S. Kurhade (University recognized guide in Philosophy)

Members: Dr. Sussmita Daxini (University recognized guide in Commerce) Dr. Shubhada Apte (University recognized guide in Accountancy)

Dr. Shaji Joseph (University recognized guide in Commerce) Dr. Caroline David

Dr. Satish Naringrekar (University recognized guide in Accountancy)

• The college is also recognized as centre for M. Phil. Meetings are held periodically to address issues related to research.

## **ANNAPURNA SCHEME:**

The unique Annapurna Scheme provides nutritious and free breakfast to a substantial number of needy students each semester. This scheme aims to provide nutritious and filling breakfast through the college canteen to needy students each year, who attend college early in the morning, often without any provisions for Tiffin, and also have to take up part-time employment after college hours to support their family. The Scheme was a brainchild of Late Shri Giteshbhai Majlani, whose generosity and concern for the student community has been reciprocated by the other

Kind-hearted Management donors who have made this scheme possible. The scheme commenced in the year 2009- 2010 with 30 students. It increased to 60 students in 2010-2011, and to 80 students in the next years. The Sanskar Sarjan Education Society aims to increase the number of beneficiaries of this scheme to reach out to the maximum number of needy students.