**Research And Innovation – Striving towards excellence**

 Dhenkanal Autonomous College (DAC) is committed to create research environment and innovation ecosystem in the institution for its students and faculties. The college has well defined research policies like R & D Policy, IPR policy and Policy to imbibe ethical practices and code of conduct enabling high quality research. It reflects the commitment of the institution to create innovation ecosystem and research environment.

* DAC provides all the necessary infrastructural facilities and a conducive environment to promote research activity in the campus. Lack of resources has never put research in the back seat, rather it helps the students and faculties to strive towards perfection by finding out a solution for everything.
* Faculties are encouraged to apply for various funding agencies and pursue their research. However, the college is keen to provide seed funding or partial funding based on the merit of proposals submitted by faculty in future.
* The faculties are encouraged to present their ideas / project proposals before the research committee for getting the sanction of seed funding in accordance with institute guidelines.
* The faculties are given freedom to choose the research area of their choice and guidance is given to seek funding from various funding agencies and industries.
* R&D committee is constructed and it provides immense support and guidance in terms of knowledge transfer and making the research work productive.

 Apart from this, DAC motivates and encourages the faculties with research projects, coffering with doctorate degree and any such research related excellence by felicitating and honoring them.

* The college has striven to provide for an improved and viable infrastructure for innovation ecology, and has therefore focused on organizing seminars and workshops on entrepreneurship and community orientation with a steady regularity.
* At the same time, the members of the faculty have continued to hone their research through publications in established national and international journals.
* To prepare the students as future innovators, critical thinking and social engagement was promoted and students were encouraged to engage with case studies and field-based projects.
* With the guidance and motivation of research committee, DAC is able to produce Seminar Bulletins from various departments like Chemistry, Mathematics Botany, Commerce, Odia etc. It helps the faculties and students to cope up with the research environment and keep other departments motivated.
* With the constant encouragement towards research, faculties are invited as resource persons not only locally but also at national and international level.

Due to the conducive environment, college has got two research projects under the Department of Commerce and Chemistry which is funded by the **Odisha Higher Education Council for Young and dynamic researcher**