

## Holy Cross College (Autonomous)

Affiliated to Bharathidasan University
Nationally Accredited (4<sup>th</sup> Cycle) with A++ Grade (CGPA 3.75/4) by NAAC
College with Potential for Excellence
Tiruchirappalli - 620 002, Tamilnadu, India.

## **Institutional Distinctiveness:**

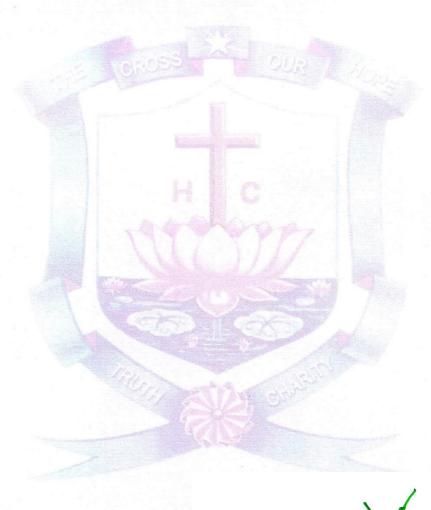
Provide the details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust Provide the weblink of the institution in not more than 500 words Institutional Distinctiveness -The programme of Rehabilitation Science The Institution of Rehabilitation Science, directly works for towards the welfare of the differently abled thereby fulfilling the vision and mission of Holy Cross College. In 1983, Christoffell Blinden Mission, an international Organization, which provides support to people with disabilities, chose Holy Cross College as its mission partner. Subsequently, Holy Cross College worked with Bharathidasan University to develop programmes to produce professionals in the field of rehabilitation and special education. In 35 years, the Department grew substantially to offer UG, PG, MPhil, Ph.D and a number of need based certificate and diploma programmes recognized by the Rehabilitation Council of India becoming the first of its kind in Asia and was awarded the Special Grade Performance Rating in the area of Multiple Disability by RCI. It is a nodal agency for offering Bachelor in Special Education in distance mode for Tamil Nadu Open University and for a number of Governmental and Non-Governmental agencies for training personnel and undertaking services. Holy Cross Blossom Opportunity School and Rainbow Therapeutic Unit, are part of the Institute andserve as labs for practical training. The Institute - • Provides quality education in the area of rehabilitation of disabled persons. • Prepares skilled rehabilitation professionals. • Sensitizes societyabout disability issues. • Empowers disabled children /persons. • Networks with Government and Non-Governmental Organizations. Outstanding features of the Institute: • Compulsory internship during the summer vacation for UG students. • Students also get hands on training through Blossoms Opportunity School and Rainbow Therapeutic Unit. • Blossoms school accommodates nearly 100 children with developmental disability. • Rainbow Therapeutic Unit provides intervention, counselling and therapeutic service to children with special needs. • Conducts many community awareness programmes and screening camps. • Organises training programmes under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan. • Staff and students exchange programmes with institutes abroad prove their quality. • Edu-Tech Lab of the Institute, set up in association with the HEPSN Project of the Ministry of HRD, Government of India provides services to the disabled. • Candidates from India and Abroad have registered for Doctoral degree under the Faculty. Many of the alumnae have established centres catering to all categories of disability in various parts of the country. They are also special educators, SSA co-ordinators, vocational and remedial instructors, low vision consultants, counsellors, psychological assessors etc. • The alumnae are also in leading positions in Christoffell Blinden Mission and alsowork overseas. • Many of them own their creative startups. An alumnae, Ms. Praveena has three schools and a success story of innovations. • Indigenously designed



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sensory autos, other motivational and instructional innovations are aptly integrated in the start-up with modernized apparatus. • The Institute's faculty are regular consultants to various organizations. In line with the mission of Holy Cross College the institute offers honorary consultancy services to set up organizations.



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