7.3.1 Institutional Distinctiveness: Women Empowerment Programmes, Green and Secure Ambience for the Girl Students

Rayat Shikshan Sanstha established Savitribai Phule Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Satara for only Women in 1989 with the mission of imparting quality higher education to the women from rural area, to awake them educationally, socially, culturally and make them economically self-reliant. The college is striving hard to fulfill its vision of gender equity and women empowerment through various programmes. The girl students come from near about 141 villages nearby Satara. Though the villages are in the vicinity of a district place many of them are not easily accessible. Many students have to walk a considerable distance and travel by bus to reach the college. 90% of them are from farmers' family and majority is first learner generation. The college undertakes various activities along with their degree education for the overall development of the students. Vivekvahini, Earn and Learn Scheme, NSS activities, Skill-based short term courses, women Development Cell Programmes, Mentor-Mentee Scheme, Internal Complaint Committee Cell and well equipped infrastructure all contribute to overall development of the students.

The college has green and secure ambience for the homely nourishment of the girl students. It is located away from pollution and buzz area of the city. The green campus of the college has beautiful scenario with hill at a side surrounding with trees and plants. The green initiatives are taken for the environmental protection and ecofriendly campus. Landscaping with tree plantation, Rain water Harvesting, Sprinkling Water for plant, Bio-Gas Unit for Solid Waste Management, Vermin Compost Unit, Solar Water Heater, LED bulbs, Agri-Kitchen, Nature Cub etc. are the most notable initiatives about the environment sustainability. A day-night security guard is appointed and the college has fenced area with security gate. The safety measures like CCTV, Fire extinguisher, Self-defense Training, Yoga Training etc. have been undertaken for the betterment of life of the students. . The girl students are provided with the facilities of Ladies Hostel, Ladies Gym, Common Room, Reading Room, NRC, Multi-lingual laboratory etc. ensuring safe ambience. As a consequence the parents prefer this college for admission of their wards and appreciate the **efforts taken by** the institute for the women empowerment in safe and protective zone with all modern amenities of learning such as Computers, Network, LCDs, Smart boards.

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