

Statutory Declaration under Section 4(1)(b) of the RTI Act 2005



Established 1947

SHRI VARSHNEY COLLEGE

(Affiliated to Dr. B.R Ambedkar University, Agra)

G.T. Road Aligarh.

Uttar Pradesh – 202001

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The particulars of its organization, function and duties of the organisation

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| Name of the Society | Barahseni College Society (Reg.) |
| Name of the Institution | Shri Varshney College |
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Functions/Services : Shri Varshney College, Aligarh is a government aided, co-educational college situated in Aligarh. It is affiliated to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra. The college discharges its function in accordance with the rules and regulations included in the Uttar Pradesh State University Act, 1973 amended from time to time and instructions/ orders issued by the Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh and Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Agra.

Duties : The vision of the college is “To improve the quality of education and lead the institution to be a centre of excellence by maintaining high standards of teaching learning process and by advancing the knowledge base through research and scholarship.” The mission of the institution is “To equip the students to face challenges that new knowledge brings with an objective that they may have a holistic vision of life by engaging them in advancing scholarly enquiry, cultivating critical and creative thoughts and generating innovative knowledge within a value driven frame work.”

Profile of Institution : Government Aided College, included under 2(f) and 12(B) schedule of UGC.

Head of the institution : Principal, Shri Varshney College Aligarh -202001.

Working Hours

College office : 10.00 am to 5.00 pm

Class time : 9.20 am to 4.00 pm

Holidays : The College shall remain closed on Sundays and Public Holidays as declared by the Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Agra/ Government of Uttar Pradesh. The college library remains open on all working days during class hours.

Information Officer : Sri Shiv Charan Lal, Off. Asst., S. V. College, Aligarh (Uttar Pradesh).

Appellate Officer : Dr. Farid Khan, Associate Professor, Department of Law, S. V. College, Aligarh (Uttar Pradesh).

The applications under the RTI Act should be sent along with a postal order/demand draft for Rs. 10.00 obtained in favor of Principal, Shri Varshney College, Aligarh (Uttar Pradesh). This application may be sent to the Public Information Officer (PIO) or handed over in his/her office. All information about the college is open for the public and it can be obtained by citizens of India.

Core Values

The college was set up in the emotionally charged atmosphere of the freedom movement. Leading lights of the civil society of Aligarh donated land and substantial sums of money besides contributing time and invaluable experience to set up this institution. The institution's core values reflect its commitment to advancing the cause of education, cultivating ethical behaviour patterns in students and fulfilling its responsibilities towards the society. The core values of the institution are

1. Quality Education

The institute strives for quality in academic pursuits. Student centric approach and innovative teaching learning methods are adopted to cater to the needs of the changing academic scenario. Continuous efforts are made to achieve excellence in education.

2. Ethical behaviour and Integrity in thought and practice.

The institute recognizes that sans ethical behaviour all efforts to produce responsible citizens shall come to naught. The institution strives to provide an environment which encourages students to act as principled members of the community who do not shy away from shouldering their responsibilities. All activities of the institute are conducted in an ethical manner to ensure fair, objective and honest dealing with students, teachers other staff members and other stake holders.

3. Catering to Diversity

We recognize that diversity is the true flavour of our country and repose complete faith in our constitutional provisions. "...shall not deny equality ... and equal protection of laws within the territory of India" (Article 14, Constitution of India). The institution

does not discriminate or allows discrimination by any stakeholders on the basis of religion, class, caste, gender, etc. and makes efforts to ensure inclusion and dignity for all.

4. Students centric approach

The future of the nation rests in the hands of our students. The demographic dividend can be harnessed only with a trained and motivated manpower. The institute makes every effort to foster personal and professional growth of our students and fellow colleagues and encourage life-long learning.

Faculties and Departments

The college has 5 faculties

- 1) Science** (7 Departments) – Mathematics, Statistics, Botany, Chemistry, Physics, Zoology and Computer Science.
- 2) Arts** (11 Departments) – Economics, English, History, Hindi, Political Science, Geography, Sanskrit, Sociology, Psychology, Military Science, Drawing and Painting
- 3) Commerce** (3 Departments) – Business Administration, Applied Business Economics, Accounts and Law.
- 4) Law**
- 5) Education**

There is a separate department of Physical Education.

The college offers UG courses in all departments. In science PG courses are offered in Maths, Physics and chemistry. In Arts faculty PG courses are offered in all departments except Military Studies. In commerce faculty PG course are offered in all departments.

Brief History

The college is the offspring of a commercial pathshala established on 14th May 1922 during the atmosphere of Non- Cooperation Movement. The pathshala was raised to middle level in 1931, High school in 1939 and Intermediate in 1945. The college was established at the dawn of independence - on 1st July 1947.

It those days, Aligarh Muslim University was the only institution of Higher learning and according to A.M.U. Act a degree college could not be started within 10 miles from it. However, this difficulty was overcome and the Chancellor of Agra University appended his signature on 22-6-47 on the recommendation of the working committee of Agra University's resolution No. 285 of 3-5-47.

Dr. Kanhaiya Lal Garg was appointed its founder Principal with a staff of 9 (nine) teachers and three clerks. There were twenty students in LL.B. Ist year and 33 students in B.Com. Ist Year. M.A. (Econ.) and M.Com. Classes were started in 1949. Dr. Garg was murdered on 6th April 1951 and was succeeded by Dr. M.C. Mathur.

Permanent recognition was granted to the college in 1954. In the same year M.A. (Hindi) and M.A. (Pol. Sci.) came into existence. N.C.C. was started in 1955. M.A. (Eng.), M.A. (Hist.) and M.A. (Geog.) classes began in 1957. B.T. (Now B.Ed.) and M.A. (Soc.) classes were started in 1959.

In year 1962, the college started B.Sc. classes. Between 1964 and 1973 M.Sc. classes were started in Maths, Chemistry and Physics.

The college is named after Lord Krishna of the vrishni dynasty. In the 41st Shloka of the first chapter of the Gita Arjun addressed Krishna as Varshneya thus “स्तीषु दुष्टासु वार्ष्णेय जायति वर्णसंकर”. The college was founded as ‘Barahseni college’, but in 1968, the name of the college was changed to ‘Shri Varshneya College’ in accordance with the policies of the U.P. Government.

The college was led by Prof. Murari Lal, Prof. N.P. Gupta and Dr. S.C. Gupta. Each of them brought unique teaching and administrative experience to the institution. N.S.S. was established in the college in 1970-71.

Present Status

At present there are almost 6000 students on the rolls of the college. There are over 130 posts of teachers. Staff members are engaged in teaching and research in the five faculties of the college. The college ranks as a leading college in Dr. B.R.A. University, Agra to which it is affiliated. It is also included in the 2f and 12 B list of UGC. The college imparts education without discrimination of Caste, Creed and Sex. The college was accredited by NAAC with Grade B++ in 2007. The college is in the process of submitting the IIQA for the second cycle of accreditation.

There are twenty three departments in all the five faculties out of which six are upto the U.G. level and the rest up to the P.G. level and research. The laboratories are well equipped and the main library has almost one lakh books and journals. The college also runs three job oriented courses viz. PGDBM, PGDCP and DLIS under self-financing scheme.