

3.2.1 Innovation Ecosystem

The institution has created an ecosystem for innovations and other initiatives for the creation and transfer of knowledge.

Response: There is no separate incubation centre in the institution. But various activities are conducted to develop a research culture and scientific temper among the students as follows: Institute has a research committee that motivates faculty members and students to undertake research projects. Newly appointed faculties are also benefitted from the activities that govern their career path. It is not only helpful to the faculties but also for the students to get innovative ideas. At the same time, this knowledge is applicable to society's development. Research Policy of Institution:

Seed Money: There is no provision of seed money in the budget for the teachers who are involved in research activities.

Research Grants: The Principal and Research Committee encourage the faculty members to file proposals to various funding agencies for financial assistance in the form of Minor and Major research projects.

Leave: If needed, the Institution has made provision to sanction duty leave to teachers to complete their research project.

Other Facility: The research is going on in the respective departments of the Principal Investigators. Different departments have the required research facilities in the form of instruments and apparatuses. The laboratories of the Chemistry, Physics, Zoology, Botany and Computer Science departments are used by undergraduate students for experiments stated in the syllabus. There is a separate Chemistry PG Research Laboratory.

Research Facilities: Many Research facilities are made available to the research scholars in campus. They are as follows:

i) Broadband Internet facility, ii) Reference books in the Library, iii) LCD Projector for PPT presentation, iv) Computers with Printer and stationery.

Students are encouraged to participate in research activities.

The students are sent to participate in a research seminar, workshop etc. Our students participate in the 'Avishkar Competition' organized by the University. Under the Environmental awareness program, students actively participate in research projects. Though the college is committed to creating a conducive environment for research, it may not support all research proposals due to limited resources. But it

makes available the infrastructure facilities and other resources for research programs. It also provides researchers with opportunities to write research proposals, reports, publications, etc.

Students are encouraged by the faculty to participate in academic and co-curricular events. So most of the students of various departments participate in intercollegiate, state-level seminars, PowerPoint presentations and poster competitions conducted by other institutions. Workshops, Seminars, Industrial Visits, and Study Tours are organized to impart practical knowledge of subjects to the students. Eminent personalities who have significantly contributed to subject and research activities are invited for guest lectures. To enhance innovative ideas, students are encouraged to participate in 'Avishkar' a research festival organized by K.B.C.N.M. University, Jalgaon. Our students have made remarkable contributions to it. Essay Writing, Paper presentation, PowerPoint presentation, Poster and Model competitions are organized by a few departments which provide a platform for the students to show their ideas and innovations.