

7.3 Institutional Distinctiveness

Provide the details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust

SCIENCE AND SPIRITUALITY – A Unique Tradition

Education is the manifestations of hidden talent; it is an assimilation of noble ideas. Real Education does expand the intellect, does strengthen the mind and ultimately helps in forming one's character. But this is possible only when the process of education is interconnected with Spirituality, Unless real transformation is impossible; the sole purpose of education will remain incomplete. The need of hour recognised by visionary educationist, Professor Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad (Executive President and Managing Trustee, MAEER's MIT Pune) and with the sole aim of Value added Education, the institute was established in 1990.

Since then, this institute is sincerely working to bring about transformation in students and staff through various scientific and spiritual activities. Recitation of World Peace Prayer is one of the most unique, noteworthy and daily activity of the institute. The working hours / all academic programs / every function begin with this prayer which is beyond any caste, religion and this prayer truly reflects the principles of Life. Similarly, every day at 6 pm a cassette of devotional and patriotic songs are played for one hour and each day in the campus ends with a live bhajan by non teaching staff members.

As a part of this tradition, renowned scientists, eminent speakers from Spiritual field are invited as a guest / faculty to guide the students and staff members to interconnect science and spirituality. Such programs enable students to have an appropriate understanding of the role of Science and Spirituality in our day to day life. It also inculcates a sense of complete awareness about the rich Indian tradition, cultural heritage and Indian non dualistic philosophy. Similarly students are encouraged to participate Art of Living's Yoga, Meditation workshops, personality development programmes organised in college campus. Every year (at least twice) millions of Pilgrims (Warkari) are provided hygienic food and basic health facilities at various pilgrimages like Pandharpur, Alandi, Dehu, Rameshwar etc. The institute always tries to inculcate human values in students and staff by inspiring them to participate in such cultural activities. From last more than 25 years, Annual World Congress of Science, Religion and Philosophy is organised by the trust in which renowned National and International faculties contribute on this aspect and communicates with hundreds of students. To maintain religious harmony among all students and staff, every year various religious festivals of all religions, like Ram Navami, Buddh-pournima, Id A Milad, Christmas etc. are actively celebrated with zeal and enthusiasm.