

# Shikshan Mandal, Karad Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Karad

# **Disabled Friendly, Barrier Free Environment Policy**

### **Preamble**

The "Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1996 enacted by the Government of India on January 1, 1996 aims at creating barrier free environment for persons with disabilities and making special provisions for the integration of persons with disabilities into the social mainstream.

### **Policy Statement**

Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Karad is committed to create a comprehensive and inclusive teaching — learning environment wherein the differently abled students, faculty or staff will be provided equal opportunities, protection of their rights and encouragement to participate in the academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. The college ensures the provision for installation of facilities for the differently abled persons.

## **Purpose**

The policy shall ensure the creation of inclusive environment wherein no disabled student, faculty or staff shall be excluded or exploited. The college shall implement a suitable regulatory mechanism for the effective delivery of services to the differently-abled persons.



#### **Guidelines**

Following guidelines / instructions shall be implemented in the college:

- Provision of reservation quota for the PWD students with 40% and above disability during admission.
- Building of ramps with railing facility
- Provision for safe, usable, accessible, gender-sensitive and functional washrooms.
- Assistance while moving in / out of the class by faculty, staff or classmates.
- Provision for wheel-chair wherever needed.
- Assistance by the concerned mentors and the office in procuring scholarship
  or reservation facility for differently-abled students, filling in examination
  forms, enrolment for skill development courses, etc. to enable them pursue
  hassle-free education.
- Provision of counselling regarding selection of courses, exams, facilities, etc.
- Provision of study material ( Soft / Hard copies)
- Provision of scribe facility, extra time during examinations
- Use of PWD stamp during examinations.
- Celebration of important days pertaining to disability such as World Disabled day, White cane Day, etc. in the college and in the neighbourhood to create awareness about the capabilities of the differently-abled persons.