JESUIT EDUCATION

The Society of Jesus, a Christian religious order founded by Saint Ignatius of Loyola in 1540, has been active in the field of education throughout the world since its origin. In the world, the Jesuits are responsible for 3,897 Educational Institutions in 112 countries. These Jesuit Educational Institutions engage the efforts of approximately 1,34,303 teachers, educating approximately 29,28,806 students.

In India, the Society of Jesus has founded 118 Primary & middle Schools, 165 high Schools, 66 University colleges, 21 Technical Institutes and 18 Business Management Administration Institutes, 6 Engineering Colleges, 3 University with 11,225 teachers, educating 3,24,538 students, belonging to every social class, community and linguistic group. These Institutions are part of the Catholic Church's which makes an effort to share the country's educational undertaking.

The Jesuit College aims at the integral and personal formation of the youth. To accomplish this, special efforts are made:

To help the students to become mature, spiritually-oriented men and women of character;

- To encourage them continuously to strive towards excellence in every field;
- •To value and judiciously use their freedom;
- To be clear and firm on principles and to be courageous in action;
- •To be unselfish in the service of their fellowmen; and to become agents of societal transformation in our country.

The Jesuit College thus aims at making its own contribution towards a transformation of the presentday social condition so that principles of social justice, equality of opportunity, genuine freedom, and respect for religious and moral values, enshrined in the Constitution of India, may prevail, and the possibility of living a full human existence may be available to all.