



Walchand College of Arts and Science, Solapur

(Autonomous College)

Seth Walchand Hirachand Marg, Ashok Chowk, Solapur-06

Institutional Development Plan (IDP) **for Academic Year 2026-27**

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1) VISION and MISSION:

Vision:

To impart education as a commitment to contributing to all-round development of the students, to the national empowerment and to the global integrity through the inculcation of *Knowledge, Character, Service, Management and Love*.

Mission:

- Social transformation through humanistic approach
- Development through demystification of science
- Eco-mission for sustainable development
- Social conscientization for holistic activism
- Building youth through value-based education
- Ensuring social justice to the marginalized to uphold social equality
- Equipping professional social workers for contributing to the development of social work culture.

2) INSTITUTIONAL PROFILE:

Solapur city is located in South-eastern region of Maharashtra (17.6800°N and 75.9200°E). The district shares its borders with South Indian states of Karnataka and Telangana. City has speakers of Marathi, Kannada, Telugu, Tamil and Hindi languages with multilingual features. Which is previously known as Manchester of East due to textile industries manufacturing Chaddars and Towels. Majority of the population belongs to economically weaker labour class. Now the region is flourishing as educational hub due to availability of institutes imparting diverse education in academic and professional areas.

Established in 1885, our trust 'Shri A.P.D. Jain Pathashala, Solapur was one of the oldest educational institutions in India and is a Jain Minority Institute. The trust caters and nourishes the spirit of Shraman Culture and Gurukul education Pattern. Our philosophy is '**Shikshan Haach Dharma'- i.e. Education is Religion**. In addition to running various schools and high schools to impart primary and secondary level education our trust also offers truly global education by providing a broad spectrum of academic environments in the form of courses like B.A., B.Sc., M.A., M.Sc., B.Com., M.Com., M.Phil. and Ph.D. along with professional courses such as D.Ed., B.Ed., B.E., M.E., B.B.A., M.B.A., and M.S.W.

In 1962, our college was inaugurated as Solapur College, Solapur to cater to the needs of higher education in Arts, Science and Commerce faculties. In 1980, the then Solapur College, Solapur was renamed as Walchand College of Arts & Science, Solapur at the hands of former Prime Minister Hon. Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee to recognize the educational contributions of the great Industrialist late Shriman Sheth Walchand Hirachand Doshi and their family. The college inherits illustrious background of its founding fathers who were people of great eminence in Science, Technology, Social science and Business. They were the people who established first modern shipyard, first aircraft factory, first car factory; construction companies, sugarcane plantations, sugarcane factories, confectioneries, engineering companies, many other businesses and educational institutes. In January 2010 our college has been reaccruited with the celebrated 'A' grade by NAAC and it was a proud moment as our college was first to receive such a distinction under Solapur University, Solapur.

Our college has completed its Golden Jubilee in the year 2012-13 and in these 50 years it has evolved as a leading college in higher education in Solapur District. For generations of students, from this drought-prone region our college stands as a leading light to fulfil their aspiration to seek knowledge in Basic Science, Arts and Social Sciences. With changing times our Management has made concerted efforts by synergizing growth in classical and newer areas of Arts and Science.

1. INSTITUTIONAL BASIC INFORMATION:

1.1 Institutional Identity	- Recognized Government Aided Jain Minority Institute - UGC Recognized, Government Aided and NAAC Reaccredited with 'A' grade - Awarded with UGCs Colleges with Potential for Excellence (CPE) Status	
Name of the Institute	Shri. A. P. D. Jain Pathashala's Walchand College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Solapur	
Affiliating University	Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Solapur University Solapur, Maharashtra, India	
Status	- Recognized Government Aided Religious Jain Minority Institute - Autonomous Status from UGC	
Address	Seth Walchand Hirachand Marg, Ashok Chowk, Solapur 413003	
City	Solapur	State: Maharashtra
Website	www.wcassolapur.org	
1.2. Academic Information	- Offers coeducation and provides inclusive and safe atmosphere for students from diverse community both from rural and urban background - Runs self-financing courses in the emerging fields of Science and Social Sciences - Programmes offered - B.A. (Aided) - B.Sc. General (Aided) - B.Sc. Biotechnology (self-financed) - M.A. (self-financed) - M.Sc. (self-financed) - M.S.W. (Aided) - Certificate Courses (self-financed)	
1.3. Establishment Details	20/06/1962	
Details of Establishment	a) 2(f): 02/05/1968 b) 12 (B): 02/05/1968	
1.4. Accreditation Details	Cycle 1 :- B++ Grade Cycle 2 :- A Grade Cycle 3 :-A Grade (Valid up to 31 st December 2026)	

1.5. Faculty Status (Regular/On-Contract Faculty as of March 31st, 2026)	No. of Regular Teaching Staff: 32 No. of Temporary Teachers appointed by Management: 33 No. of CHB Staff: 26 Total Teaching Staff: 91
1.6. Course and Examination Details	- The College has adopted semester, CGPA and CBCS system of examination implemented by Solapur University, Solapur. - CBCS has been implemented for PG programs from 2015-16. - Under Autonomy, our college has now established independent Board of Examination and Evaluation (BoEE) and examinations are held using best of the software for smooth functioning and timely result.
1.8. Facilities (Lab./Library/Hostel)	1) Laboratories: 20 Botany:01; Chemistry:02; Physics:01; Microbiology:02; Biochemistry:01; Molecular Biology:01; Bioinformatics:01; Tissue Culture:01; Language Laboratory:01; Geography:01; Geology:01; Electronics:01; Zoology:02; Nanotechnology:02; Life Science Research:01; Chemistry Research:01 2) Library: - Main Library Building holding Collection of Books, journals, magazines and other e-resources - Reading Room with a capacity of 300 students - IT zone for accessing e-resources <i>Departmental Libraries:</i> In addition to main library, the college has departmental libraries in Chemistry, Zoology, Botany, Geography, Geology 3) Hostel: Total 05 Blocks - Boys Hostel (Three Blocks with 960 capacity) - Girls Hostel (Two Blocks with 700 capacity)
1.9. Research and Development	- Number of recognized Research Centres for Ph.D. work: 7 - Number of Ph.D. Guides: 25 - No. of Ph.D. students working: > 60
1.10. Sports and Culture	1) Sports: - Large Playgrounds: 02 - Gymnasiums: 02 (<i>01 for Boys + 01 for Girls</i>) 2) Cultural Department: - Activities such as Annual cultural events (Youth Festival), Inter and intra collegiate, Zonal, state level and national level literary and cultural events

3. NEED ASSESSMENT/ SWOC

Strengths • NAAC A grade • Academic autonomy • Awarded with CPE status • Awarded with highest grade in AAA (Academic & Administrative Audit) • Multi-lingual faculties • Multidisciplinary campus • Quality education in low budget (India today survey) • Multiple research centres • Registered Alumni Association	Weakness • Data Management System • Staff crunch • Limited Sports & Cultural events • SOPs needs improvements
Opportunities • Aspiring for Institute of excellence • More scope to be a Research hub in region • Strengthening collaboration with industry • Opportunity to start more Skill based/ Diploma/ Certificate courses	Challenges • Student flow from rural and disadvantaged background • Economic issues of students • Campus interviews • Attracting students from all over India

4. STRATEGIC GOALS AND OBJECTIVE:

1. Full implementation of NEP-2020 with all its goals and objectives.
2. Development of required physical, virtual, intellectual, R&D, Sports, Literature, Cultural and logistical facilities to achieve the goals of NEP-2020.
3. To extend knowledge know-how to the society for the local and regional progress.
4. To introduce new applied courses for enhancing the job security of the students.
5. To bring the status of the institution at par with the national and global reput while maintain the regional strength and inclusivity.
6. To achieve the status of independent degree-awarding institution with multidisciplinary, transdisciplinary and interdisciplinary approach to the education.

5. ACTION PLAN/ ACTIVITIES to ACHIEVE THE SET GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR-2026-27:

Sr.	Activity	Achievements
1	Successful implementation of NEP-2020 at UG, PG and Research level	NEP in Implementation up to 2025 (BA, BSc-III and entire PG courses)
2	To achieve objectives of Autonomy under NEP-2020	Confirmed with Autonomy from 2021
3	To evolve curricula as per the need of changing scenario and market needs.	Curricula modified as per Autonomy and NEP for all UG and PG courses

4	To adopt innovative teaching, learning and research methodologies	Currently 7 Ph.D. Centres with > 60 students pursuing doctoral work
5	To integrate hybrid and online mode of teaching	More scope for online and hybrid mode of education
6	To give more opportunity to students under field projects, community engagement program, research projects, internship and OJT	Implemented field and research activities under NEP from 2024
7	To take appropriate actions to improve skill enhancement course (SEC), vocational course, Ability enhancement course (AEC), Indian Knowledge System (IKS), Value Education Course (VEC), Open and General Elective (OE/GE) as per the National Credit Framework (NCF) of UGC.	Implemented under NEP from 2024
8	To enhance resource infrastructure (new classrooms, laboratories, hostels-boys and girls, mess facility, guest-houses) for successful realization of goals of NEP.	Work in progress of two four story academic infrastructure with teaching learning resources is in progress.
9	To improve research quality through multidisciplinary/ applied research and quality publications.	More scope for R&D work. Currently 1 research projects are ongoing
10	To establish facility for active participation in literary, cultural and sports activities.	Further strengthening necessary and will be improved in the year 2026-27
11	To find opportunities for national and international collaborative research through MoUs.	More than 10 local and regional MoUs established. Further improvement will be done in 2026-27
12	To mobilize funds for overall academic and administrative growth through funding organizations, collaborations, NGOs, GOs, CSR organizations.	Resource mobilization is mainly achieved through non-grant courses, research funding and consultancies.
13	To establish collaborative courses in association with Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Solapur University, Solapur under students-faculty exchange programs/ MSFDA programs/ Common instrumentation facility centre/ Innovation and Incubation centre/Avishkar research festival/ University and Zonal level Cultural and Sports Youth Festivals	Large numbers of students and faculties are taking active part in various academic programs under Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Solapur University, Solapur

14	To achieve set targets for the academic year 2026-27 under the able guidance, support and encouragement of our proactive management along with visionary guidance of honourable Vice-Chancellor of the University and the Principal of our college through BoS, CDC, IQAC, AC and GB.	College has decentralized mechanism for execution of targets. All the constitutional bodies like BoS, CDC, IQAC, GB are working on par with the guidelines issued by UGC and Government time to time. They are very much functional and rigorous.
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6. INSTITUTIONAL BUDGET*

The institution has allocated a funds under following various activities (2026-27);

SR	Activity	Budget (Rs)
1	Infrastructure	1290000
2	Research and Development support	108000
3	Faculty Development Support	70000
4	Institutional reforms	115000
5	Academic support	25000
Total		1608000

*Subject to change

7. IDP Enclosures

Encl- No.	Content	Links
1.	NAAC Certificates	https://wcassolapur.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Encl_1.-NAAC-Certificates.pdf
2.	Act, statues, Ordinances	https://wcassolapur.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Mandatory-Disclosures.pdf
3.	Physical Infrastructure	https://wcassolapur.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Mandatory-Disclosures.pdf



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College Seat and Date: 07-07-2026