



**VISAKHA GOVT. DEGREE & P.G. COLLEGE for WOMEN**  
**POLICY DOCUMENT**  
**Disabled friendly barrier free environment**



**Our Institution strongly believes in an inclusive approach towards imparting education and takes measures for ensuring disabled friendly barrier free environment. The rights of persons with disabilities act, 2016 has come into force to ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy their rights equally with others. Abiding to the provisions of the act, our institution has taken many initiatives to facilitate a barrier free learning environment to the differently abled students of the college.**

**The college has the provision of an elevator at the classroom block, ramps, wheelchairs and disabled friendly washrooms which enables the safe and convenient access to the physically challenged students and staff.**

**JAWS software is an assistive technology that facilitates the visually impaired students to use computers.**

**The college central library facilitates the visually impaired students with the reading skills and knowledge enrichment by providing access to audio books downloaded on a monthly basis from Amazon. In addition to the audio books there is a special provision for students to learn English pronunciation dictionary to improve their speaking abilities.**

**On the request of physically challenged students Scribes are appointed to help write their exams.**

**Objectives of the policy:**

- **To ensure an inclusive campus culture to avoid any kind of discrimination, exploitation and exclusion of disabled students and staff from being an active participant in academic and allied activities.**
- **To make sure the students and staff with disabilities not to feel inferior in any way in comparison to the others.**
- **To guarantee implementation of all legislations with regard to differently abled persons.**
- **To mobilize the resources required for facilitating a barrier free environment to the disabled.**
- **To address the grievances of the disabled at the earliest.**

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**Signature of the principal**