## **Code of Professional Ethics for Support Staff**

The College has put forward its code of ethics for the support staff along the following lines.

## **Professional Conduct:**

- The support staff should acquaint themselves with the College policies and adhere to them to their best ability.
- Each of them should perform the duties assigned sincerely and diligently as well as with accountability.
- They should avail leave with prior intimation to the extent possible. In case of sudden contingencies, information on their absence should be promptly forwarded to the College Authority.
- The support staff should not, on any account, undertake any other job within the stipulated office hours. Neither shall he/she engage himself/herself in any trade or business within college premises.
- They should not hamper the functioning of the college by engaging themselves in political activities.
- They should not engage in remarks or behavior that might be considered disrespectful to their authorities, non-teaching colleagues, teaching staff or students.

## **Workplace Conduct:**

- They should be punctual as their prior presence is required daily for the commencement and smooth functioning of college activities.
- They should also be responsible for the proper use and maintenance of college equipment and furniture.
- No support staff should be under the influence of drugs or alcohol during office hours.

- The support staff often has access to confidential information regarding examination matters and other matters relating to other staff, through official records. It is expected that they respect the confidentiality of such matters.
- They should perform their duties with honesty and integrity.
  There should be no falsification of official documents entrusted to them.
- The support staff should show no discrimination on basis of gender, caste or religion.

## **Professional Relationship:**

- Interactions between support staff and students are frequent; for example during counselling, admissions, disbursement of financial aid, examinations and so on. On a regular basis the students come into contact with support staff in library and computer laboratories. It is expected that they behave in a helpful, friendly and patient manner towards the students.
- The support staff should give due respect to the decisions made by the college authorities. Any matter of contention should be settled amicably and not through antagonistic behavior, as the progress of an institution depends upon mutual goodwill and trust.
- The non-teaching staff should consider the teaching staff as their colleagues and not as separate entities. It is the shared functioning that will generate a harmonious environment.
- The Support Staff come into contact with the guardians of students during examinations. They must keep in mind the fact that their behavior will be considered to reflect that of the institution. They should thus interact patiently and politely.