



# ASANSOL GIRLS' COLLEGE

(GOVT. SPONSORED)

Affiliated to The Kazi Nazrul University  
Dr. Anjali Roy Sarani, Asansol - 713304

---

*Institutional Distinctiveness*

AGC popularly known as Manimala Girls' College, began its journey as the **only girls' college in the entire coalfield and industrial region of West Bengal in 1950**. Since then, the college has been popular for upholding the concept of gender equity, green campus, inclusive and holistic education. The college stands out in the area in terms of:

### **Premier Seat of Learning and Research**

**Over the last seventy-four years**, the college has been a **premier seat of learning for the girls** of the region. At present twenty departments are offering **B.A., B.Sc., and B. Com** courses affiliated with KNU, Asansol. The college also offers **M.A.** in Political Science which makes **Asansol Girls' College the only college under KNU offering M.A. in Political Science besides the University Campus**.

AGC is known for producing students with **outstanding academic results** both at undergraduate and postgraduate levels including university rank holders. Many pass-out students are pursuing higher education from abroad. Every year a considerable number of AGC students also qualify for **NET, SET, JAM**, etc.

The College has a very dynamic **Research Consultancy Committee**. Since its formation on 12th December 2019, the Committee has funded research projects submitted by various departments. Most importantly, the active participation of **students as researchers is mandatory for these research projects**. The involvement of students in research work is one of the most conspicuous features of the Committee making AGC distinct in the area.

### **Safe, Disciplined, and Green Campus**

AGC, being a girls' college, has dedicated itself to ensuring a safe and secure campus for its students. AGC is well known for its **ragging-free** and well-disciplined campus. The college is also popular for its eco-friendly campus.

### **Gender Equity and Inclusive Environment**

AGC has dedicated itself to promoting gender equity and inclusive education. The college has a very active **Women's Forum** which has been incessantly working towards promoting gender equity.

AGC has **two girls' hostels** providing scope for the girls from the remote areas of the region to continue their education.

The college also provides **financial aid to economically backward students** and helps them to break the economic limitations to access education. Women's Forum also provides financial assistance under **BHARSA (Basic Human Approach Regarding Student Assistance)**.

### **Teaching-Learning Process Inside the classroom**

AGC is reputed for regular classes. Keeping pace with the emerging challenges to the teaching-learning process due to technological advancement and its impact on learners' approach towards the learning process, AGC keeps on adapting to the teaching-learning methods. For example, **regular class tests, remedial classes, Flip classroom style of teaching-learning, use of ICT, and students' seminars** are the regular and common features of AGC. All these are striking features of the college. Besides, AGC has adopted NEP 2020 in which students enjoy the freedom to select courses of their choice.

### **'Out of the Classroom' Learning Site**

AGC encourages learning beyond the four walls of a classroom. The departments of the college regularly arrange for outdoor classes, field trips, and educational tours. Students readily take to gardening activities encouraged by the college authority. AGC is blessed to have students with multiple talents. Therefore, to nurture these myriad talents AGC encourages to join various clubs and societies within the college campus, such as **Praxia- the Drama Club, Chess Club, Cinema and Book Reading Club, Photography Club, Drawing Club, and Nature Club.**

### **Extension and Outreach Activities**

AGC is well known for developing social accountability among students. **NSS, NCC, Social Activity Committee, Women's Forum, and the Nutrition Department** regularly undertake extension activities in the surrounding areas.

The NCC and NSS unit of AGC instil organizational skills to serve society and ventilate a sense of good citizenship among students through activities like plantation programs, cleaning drives, environment-related awareness programs, the spread of literary awareness under the New India Literary Program, etc.

## Co-curricular activities

AGC stands out in its efforts to develop students' capabilities other than curricula-based education.

- **Yoga**

AGC has **Yoga for Well-being Club** to promote optimum physical and mental health, basic training on stress management and concentration, and to make students understand that yoga leads to a conscious living. The club has appointed a **well-trained Yoga instructor and provides free-of-cost Yoga lessons to interested students.**

- **Sports**

AGC has a **Sports Committee**. The Committee arranges **Annual Sports Meet** every year consisting of various sports like 100 m race; shot put; discus throw; high jump etc.

## Cultural Activities

AGC is famous for exploring and nurturing talents in the cultural field. The annual cultural competition '**Roop, Rash, Taal, Chchanda**' is held to discover hidden talents amongst students. The rank holders are selected to perform in the annual social '**Sristi Sukher Ullashe**'. The best performers are regularly **invited to perform in the government-sponsored local Fairs, Students' Youth Festivals, and cultural events organized in Rabindra Bhavan**. For instance, the dance drama team of '**Chitrangada**' was invited to perform at the Govt. sponsored Paschim Barddhaman Book Fair in 2023.

## Empowerment Program

A.G.C. provides scope for capacity building and empowerment in the form of two certificate courses in **Tailoring & Embroidery, and Art & Craft**. These two courses encourage students coming from economically marginalized sectors to find an alternative method of earning and simultaneously carry on with academic pursuits. To promote their artwork, AGC organizes exhibitions cum sales of their products. Over the last two years, AGC students have successfully exhibited their handiworks at the government-sponsored Paschim Barddhaman Book Fair.

## Placement

Last, but not the least, AGC is different as it provides placement facilities despite being a general degree and PG college. Every year a good number of students get employed in banks and industrial establishments after graduating from AGC through placement drive organised by the **placement cell** of AGC.

In short, AGC is distinct for its dedication toward successful implementation of holistic education for girls which coincides with its motto (in Bengali ) '**Amar Mukti Aloye Aloye**' or orienting students to the spirit of **emancipation through the light of knowledge.**

