

Institutional Distinctiveness

Lady Keane College is one of the oldest institutions for higher education for girls in the North-East Region of India. The vision of the founding fathers was to provide a safe and comfortable environment for young girls to be educated and to ultimately mature into responsible adults. A feature that has served to attract students to this institution is the presence of hostel facilities in the college campus. In fact, Lady Keane College, was the only girls college, until a few years ago, with a provision of hostel accommodation for its students. This is a distinctive and unique feature that has succeeded in attracting eager young students from all over the country and abroad. We now have students from our neighbouring countries viz. Bhutan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka residing in our hostel accommodation.

The College hostel can accommodate upto 275 students. The junior students are accommodated in a room with five beds and the seniors in a room with three beds, per room and international students get their own rooms. The hostel girls are placed under the supervision and care of a full – time warden and her assistants. Efforts have been made to provide balanced and well-planned meals for the residents. It is gratifying to note that till date no complaints or grievances have been received regarding the quality of the meals provided. The menu is also changed regularly to provide variety and appeal to the students.

No hostel can function smoothly without the provision of a regular supply of safe drinking water and tap water for meeting daily requirements. The management has implemented various eco friendly measures to meet the demand. The Rain Water Harvesting System is an innovative measure taken by our college. This measure has contributed tremendously towards the alleviation of water shortage that is a prominent problem in the city of Shillong.

Another important and striking feature of the girl's hostel is the availability of solar energy systems installations. The altitude of Shillong and its cold climate makes it a necessity for the need of the availability of hot water for the girls and this need has been met through the installation of solar energy heating systems in the hostel. The Solar Photovoltaic Energy system is utilized and a number of CFL bulbs in the hostel are fuelled by solar power. This commendable feature has also solved many problems arising from energy demand and has resulted in the smooth operation of the facility on a daily basis. The alternative source of renewable energy has reduced the monthly consumption of hydroelectricity in the hostel.

The hostel residents have access to a well-equipped gymnasium, a covered basketball court a tennis court and a volleyball court. Yoga and karate classes are organised and have many participants from the hostellers.

A medical health unit is available in the college campus and the girls can access it during working hours. The unit has a visiting doctor and a full – time nurse along with attendants.