

# Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong

## Prospectus

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## About Us

Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, was established in 1997 at Gyalshing, West Sikkim. Since its inception, the college has been affiliated with Sampurnananda Sanskrit University, Uttar Pradesh.

In 2010, the college was shifted to Samdong, East Sikkim, where it now resides on a permanent campus spanning 9.16 acres. The college offers BA Shastri course for students pursuing higher education in Sanskrit, with subjects including Sanskrit Grammar, Sanskrit Sahitya, Puran Itihas, Jyotish, along with Hindi, Nepali, and English.

The college serves students from across Sikkim, neighbouring North-Eastern states, and countries such as Bhutan and Nepal.

Currently, the college is in a transition phase between affiliations: the 2nd semester is conducted under Khangchendzonga State University, Sikkim, while the 4th and 6th semesters remain under Sampurnananda Sanskrit University, UP. This phased transition aligns with the New Education Policy and aims to eventually bring full affiliation to Khangchendzonga State University, expanding course offerings and academic opportunities.

## Vision & Mission

At Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, we see ourselves as a leading institution dedicated to the study and preservation of Sanskrit — one of the world's oldest and richest languages, with a history spanning nearly 5,000 years. Sanskrit is not only the mother of many Indian languages but also a timeless source of deep knowledge and culture.

Our goal is to nurture skilled professionals, passionate academicians, and dedicated research scholars who will carry forward the legacy of Sanskrit and contribute to its growth and relevance in today's world.

Looking ahead, we are working towards full affiliation with Khangchendzonga State University. We plan to expand our academic offerings by introducing new courses such as the Sanskrit Shastri program, followed by a Bachelor of Arts in Sanskrit and diploma courses. Through these initiatives, we aim to become a vibrant center of Sanskrit learning that benefits students both regionally and beyond.

Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, proudly stands as the first institution in Sikkim devoted entirely to higher education in Sanskrit. Our mission

is to provide quality education that supports the all-around development of our students, equipping them with the knowledge, values, and skills they need to succeed and make a positive impact in society.

We were founded to serve students across the state who previously had to leave home to continue their Sanskrit studies after school. We are committed to keeping this rich tradition alive right here in Sikkim.

Beyond traditional learning, we strive to offer skill-based and professional courses that empower our youth to contribute meaningfully to their families, communities, and the nation's socio-economic growth.

Our commitment includes:

- Promoting self-reliance through innovative educational programs and consultancy services.
- Encouraging creativity and innovation among both students and faculty.
- Providing vocational training to economically disadvantaged rural youth to support their journey towards self-employment.
- Ensuring fair access and equal opportunities for socially disadvantaged groups.
- Fostering personal growth by encouraging students to develop attributes and mindsets that lead to lifelong learning and self-improvement.

## Courses Offered

Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong offers a comprehensive **Three-Year Shastri Program (UG) in Sanskrit**. This program is thoughtfully designed to provide students with a deep understanding of classical Sanskrit disciplines, alongside modern linguistic skills.

## Core Subjects:

- Sanskrit Vyakaran (Grammar)
- Sanskrit Sahitya (Literature)
- Puran Itihas (Mythological and Historical Texts)
- Jyotish (Astrology)

## Additional Language Papers:

- English
- Nepali
- Hindi

These additional language courses help enhance students' communication skills and prepare them to engage confidently in broader academic, cultural, and professional settings.

The Shastri program fosters intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, and cultural awareness. A strong foundation in Karma Kanda (ritualistic and practical aspects of Sanskrit knowledge) equips students with respected social standing and opportunities for a stable and regular income. Graduates are thus well-prepared for careers in academia, education, Sanskrit research, and traditional practices.

### **Departments and Faculty**

At Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, we take pride in our team of qualified, experienced, and dedicated faculty members who are passionate about excellence in teaching and research. Our faculty are committed to nurturing students' academic growth and fostering a supportive learning environment across both classical Sanskrit disciplines and modern languages.

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### **Department of Puran Itihas (Mythology and Historical Texts)**

- Dr. Keshab Pokhrel

### **Department of Jyotish (Astrology)**

- Shri Pawan Kumar Sharma

### **Department of Hindi**

- Shri Laxmi Pd. Sharma
- Ms. Nunita Rai

### **Department of Nepali**

- Mrs. Narbada Manger

### **Department of English**

- Shri Bikash Sharma

Our faculty members are actively involved not only in teaching but also in academic mentoring, student development, and community engagement — all aimed at providing an enriching and well-rounded educational experience.

### **Eligibility Criteria and Fee Structure**

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Admission to the Three-Year Shastri Program is open to students who meet the following conditions:

- Must have successfully passed Class 12 from a recognized education board.
- Preference is given to those who have studied Sanskrit at the school level or passed Class 12 with any subject in the Humanities stream.
- We provide bridge courses for students from non-Sanskrit backgrounds.

We especially encourage students from Sanskrit schools and those passionate about pursuing Sanskrit studies to apply.

## Fee Structure

In keeping with the State Government's commitment to educational welfare, **tuition fees are fully waived up to the college level**, ensuring that quality Sanskrit education is accessible to all eligible students without financial barriers.

Students may only be responsible for minimal charges, such as university registration fees, examination fees, or optional extracurricular activity fees, in accordance with university regulations.

## Facilities

Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong provides a range of infrastructural facilities to ensure a comfortable, enriching, and holistic learning environment for students. The following amenities are available on campus:

### 1. Boys' Hostel

On-campus hostel facility is available for male students, providing safe and affordable accommodation for those coming from different parts of the state and neighbouring regions.

### 2. Well-Equipped Library

The college library offers a rich collection of books, journals, manuscripts, and reference materials in Sanskrit and other subjects. It serves as a vital academic resource center for students and faculty.

### 3. Playground

A spacious playground is available for students to engage in various outdoor sports and recreational activities.

### 4. Badminton Court

A dedicated badminton court encourages physical fitness and recreation among students.

### 5. Volleyball Court

The college also has a volleyball court to promote team sports and overall well-being.



## 6. Cafeteria

The on-campus cafeteria provides hygienic and affordable meals and snacks for students and staff.

## 7. Digital Classrooms

To enhance the teaching-learning experience, the college is equipped with **digital classrooms** featuring smart boards and ICT tools, supporting an interactive and modern pedagogy.

## What Sets Us Apart

Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong is distinguished by several unique qualities that make it a preferred destination for students passionate about Sanskrit studies:

### Only Institution in the State Offering Higher-Level Sanskrit Studies

We proudly hold the distinction of being the only college in Sikkim dedicated exclusively to advanced Sanskrit education. Our institution plays a vital role in fostering scholarship and preserving the rich linguistic heritage of Sanskrit.

### Pleasing and Conducive Teaching-Learning Ambience

Our serene and well-maintained campus provides a peaceful environment that nurtures both academic excellence and personal growth.

### Disable-Friendly Classrooms

Committed to inclusivity, the college ensures accessible facilities to provide equal learning opportunities for all students.

### Excursions (National & International)

We organize educational trips and excursions that broaden students' horizons through cultural, historical, and academic exposure beyond the classroom.

## **Seminars, Conferences, and Symposiums**

Regularly hosted academic events encourage knowledge sharing, intellectual engagement, and professional development.

## **Mentoring and Guidance**

Our strong mentor-mentee system offers personalized academic support and career counseling, helping students achieve their full potential.









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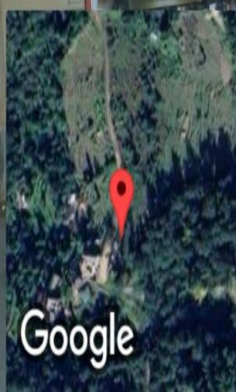
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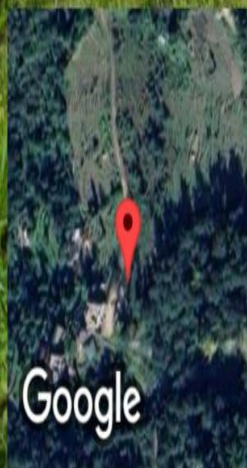








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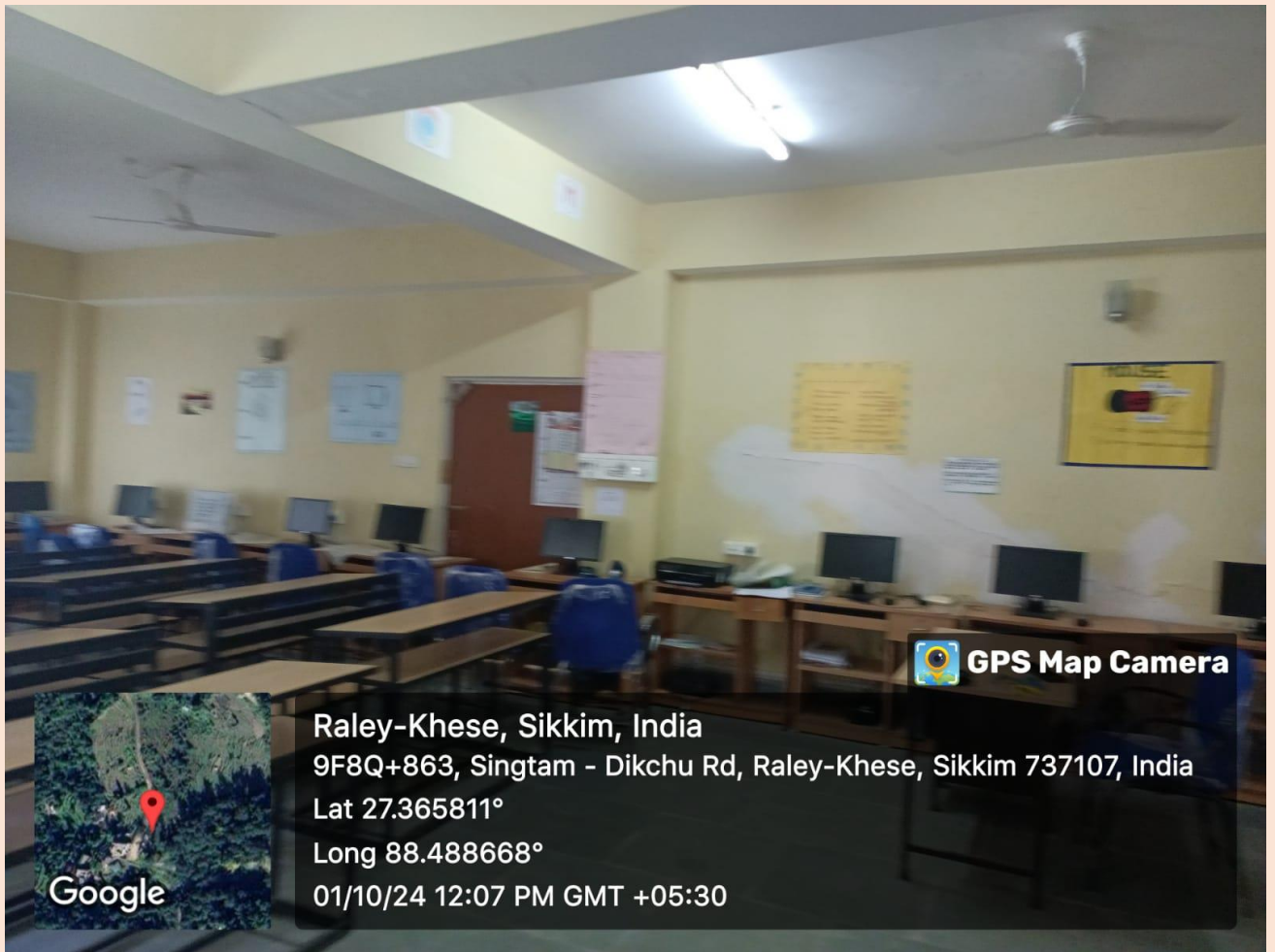
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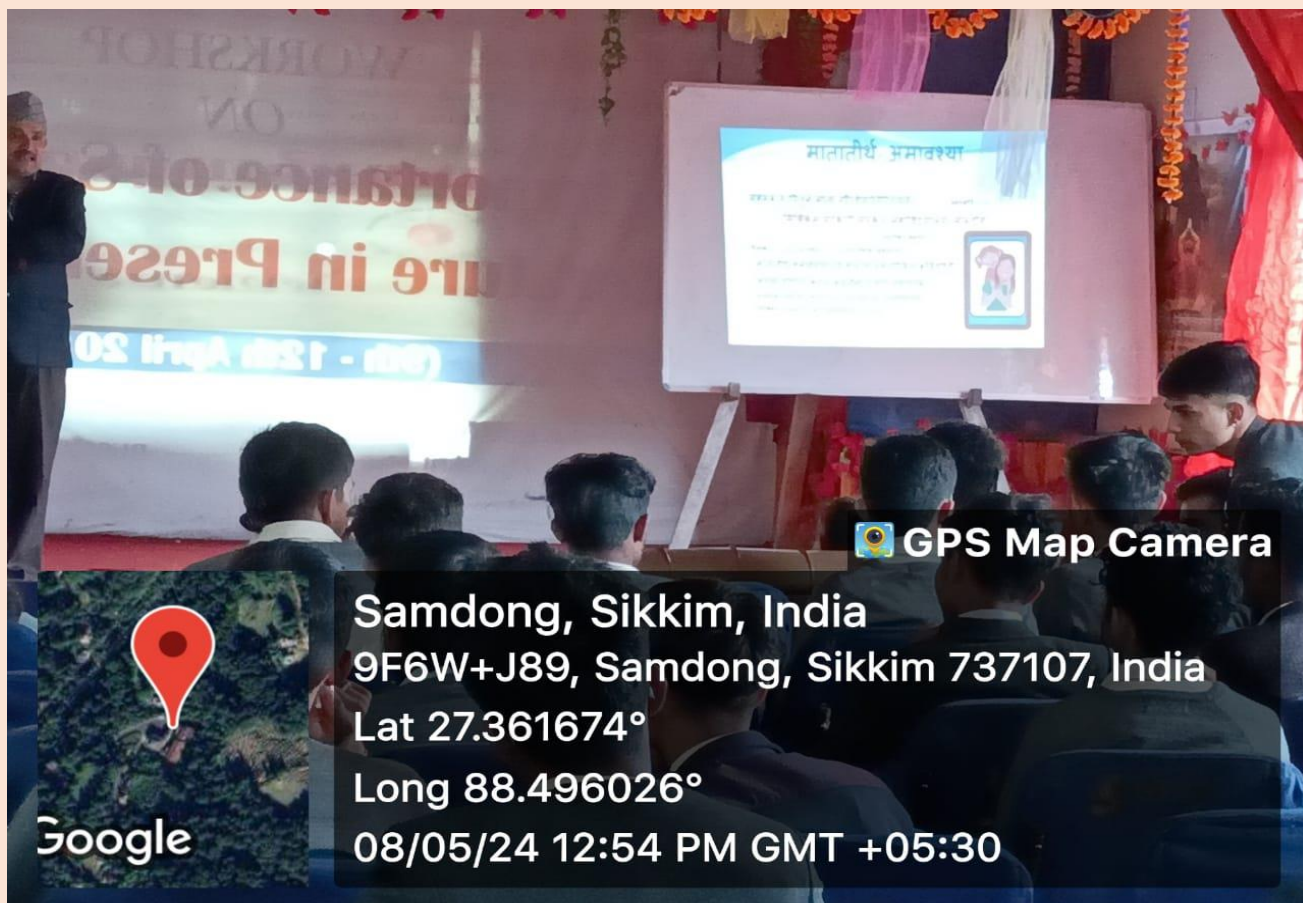


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