

# Socially Significant Multi-Purpose Complex

**Goal.** IQAC strongly felt that the physical expansion in the vertical mode had reached its saturation, but the institution still required infrastructural growth to create a conducive institutional atmosphere for the multitude of activities it would carry out, ranging from students to society as a whole, for the benefit of its stakeholders. It has been envisaged that the college's strategic location would make the complex readily available to all beneficiaries and create a supportive institutional climate for different curricular and extracurricular activities.

**The Context:** The plan of IQAC to restructure the open air theatre so as to make it a Multipurpose Complex required several courses of action in a systematic manner. The idea was to create a place in open which can be used at times of larger gatherings as the college hall could not be extended due to adjacent buildings. IQAC decided to cover the open air theatre with roof so that it can be used in times of rain too. IQAC in collaboration with the other statutory bodies decided to implement the project of covered open air theatre, as an indoor stadium for the multi-pronged activities of the college. IQAC suggested that the new complex should have a larger dimension than the previous open air theatre in order to carry out a wide range of regional to national activities. The decision-making bodies have taken this into serious consideration, and the new building incorporates a greater capacity to accommodate a substantial number of individuals as well as activities.

**The Practice:** The multipurpose complex building was completed in two phases. The fact that the complex is not an economically driven growth strategy, but embodies academic and social significance, IQAC has firmly maintained. IQAC argues that complex should strive to foster social understanding and the spirit of national integration for its various stakeholders.

IQAC urged the decision-making bodies to continue their tradition by providing the multipurpose complex to socially relevant meetings such as women's concerns and empowerment, child labour, physically and mentally disabled concerns, elderly people, awareness services such as AIDS, environmental issues, and various events such as blood donation camps and eye camps. The Complex is intended to become a platform for educational programmes, inter-collegiate youth festivals and outreach activities. Other facilities in the multipurpose complex, such as the leisure and retirement rooms of the faculty, cafeteria, etc., provide the student body with tremendous benefits.

In the academic realm, the multiple facilities of the Complex can be availed for the organization of various activities like the university seminars and workshops, etc. It is also an easily accessible centre for various competitive examinations. The multipurpose open air theatre also cater to various functions of district administration so it serves the purpose of social significance

**Evidence of Success:** With its colossal potential, the Multi-Purpose Complex is transforming IQAC 's dream of quality improvement into reality through infrastructural growth. Through the design of the Multi-Purpose Complex, IQAC offers empirical evidence that infrastructural development offers the basis for the institution's progressive growth and development, thus addressing social responsibility tasks

**Problems encountered and Resources required:** One of the gigantic hurdles in the completion of the Complex was the dearth of ample financial resources. IQAC has devised ways to mobilize funds from RUSA through a number of strategies. Even the PTA came forward to help financially in realizing this goal.

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