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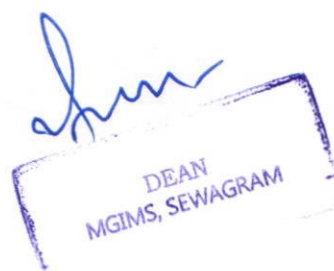
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## INTRODUCTION

***Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Sevagram***

**'A Medical College with a Difference'**

The Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Sevagram is India's first rural medical college. Nestled in the karmabhoomi of Mahatma Gandhi, in Sevagram, this Institute was founded by Dr Sushila Nayar in 1969. It is attached to Kasturba Hospital, which has the distinction of being the only hospital in the country which was started by the Father of the Nation himself.

In the spirit of its Founder, the Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Sevagram today is committed to the pursuit of professional excellence by evolving an integrated pattern of medical education and it seeks to provide accessible and affordable health care primarily to underprivileged rural communities.

### **MGIMS : Quality Medical Education**

The institute strives to produce doctors of high clinical competence, professional attitudes and ethical behavior. The Institute believes that Gandhian values and principles are relevant even today and it displays a fierce commitment to advancement of medical education without losing the humane touch.

We, at MGIMS, are conscious of the fact that medical education needs to maintain the right balance in the eternal triangle of 'quality, quantity and equity'. In our perennial quest to attain the perfect blend, we never forget that these three arms are not in conflict, and equity cannot be kept in abeyance. The students at MGIMS are drawn from all parts of the country and come from all kinds of social backgrounds. Every effort is made to acquaint the medical student to the real rural India. Our approach to medical education with the spotlight on rural community oriented education makes our doctors sensitive to the felt needs of the people they would be serving in their future. Our students are expected to adhere to professional norms which include altruism, compassion, empathy, accountability, honesty and integrity.

### **Unique code of conduct**

The students and staff of the Institute adhere to a unique code of conduct, where they are expected to wear hand-woven khadi, participate in shramdan and attend an all-religion prayer every Friday evening. Non-vegetarian food, alcohol and tobacco are taboo.

Soon after admission to the MBBS course, the students live in Gandhiji's Ashram for 15 days, where they are oriented to Gandhian ideology and learn the Gandhian way of life. Drawn from