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Army Law College inaugurated, expansion on cards in future

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THE ARMY Law College, a residential institute offering five-year integrated BBA LLB degree to the wards of Army personnel and veterans was inaugurated at Kanhe near Talegaon on Monday as its first batch of 60 students began their course. Southern Army Commander Lt Gen DR Soni, who inaugurated the institute, said there would be expansions in terms of courses and strength, in the future.

The Army Law College is the second professional college to be established in Pune, by the Indian Army, under the control of Army Welfare Education Society, after the Army Institute of Technology. The Law College

is affiliated to Savitribai Phule Pune University and the 60 children of serving and retired Army personnel have been granted admission for the academic year 2018-19, based on their scores in the Maharashtra Common Entrance Test for Law.

The college has been established on a property gifted by Radha Kalandas Daryanani Charitable (RKDC) Trust and consists of 12 buildings near village Kanhe, on the old Pune-Mumbai highway. Dr Madhusree Joshi has taken charge as the first principal of the college.

Lt Gen Soni said: "Taking the decision to establish an institution is one thing, but doing it on the ground and getting it running, is a daunting task. We all must appreciate the dedicated efforts by the officers and staff. In the future,

there will be construction on the utilised space and more buildings will come adding to the capabilities in terms of number of courses and students."

The inaugural ceremony was attended by students of the first batch with their parents, retired Justice DG Kamik, Dr Prem Daryanani, trustee of RKDC Trust. Among those present in the audience were former Southern Army Commander Lt Gen PM Hariz (Retd) and former Chief of Staff of Southern Command, Lt Gen Raymond Noronha (Retd), during whose tenure the proposal of the Army Law College took shape.

The Army Commander, expressed his gratitude to RKDC Trust for the donation of land and property and thanked the Government of Maharashtra and SPPU for their support.



Lt Gen DR Soni inaugurated the Army Law College in Kanhe on Monday. Sandip Daundkar