

The college has been practicing various Best Practices. Prominent among them are:

A. Maintaining a clean, pollution free, healthy and green campus:

1. Title of the Practice: “Clean, Pollution Free, Healthy and Green Campus”.

2. Objectives of the Practice:

- The objective of the best practice is to maintain a clean, pollution free, environment friendly, healthy and green campus.

3. The Context:

- Since it is an Institution of Higher Education; imparting education in a clean, peaceful pollution free, eco-friendly environment is our bounden duty/responsibility. The very educational philosophy of our nation embodies that education should be given in a sound, secured, healthy and inspiring environment. So, keeping this philosophical and ideological goals point in mind, the college has persistently tried to maintain a clean, pollution free, environment friendly, healthy and green campus for carrying out all activities for the all round development of students. Students, who are considered the axis of the entire educational system, are enabled to imbibe good habits and values so as to be useful in their future life.

4. The Practice:

- For maintaining a clean, environment friendly green campus, the NSS & NCC units, Extension Service Cell, Internal Security and Cleanliness Committee, Transport Management Cell, Cell for Maintenance of Orchidarium, Women Cell, Community Development Committee and Health & Hygiene Committee of the college regularly take up clean campus, pollution free programmes, health programmes etc.
- After the implementation of Swatchh Bharat Abhiyan from 2nd October 2016, the college has constituted a committee for implementation of Swatchh Bharat programmes. At the initiative of the committee, clean drives in the campus have been carried out.
- The Internal Security and Cleanliness Committee and Health & Hygiene Committee at regular intervals clean the campus with help of NSS volunteers, students and the teachers.
- The teachers and the Students’ Union of the college always try to maintain a clean peaceful, plastic free and pollution free campus.

5. Evidence of Success:

- The college claims to have been successful in keeping a clean, healthy and green campus for carrying out all activities.

6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

- For maintaining a clean, healthy and beautiful campus, the college has not faced any problem. Rather all stakeholders have extended full co-operation in this regard.
- The expenses incurred on this count are met from the College fund and NSS Fund.

B. Fostering Social Responsibility of the college towards the local community and nearby Schools.

1. Title of the Practice: **“Fostering Social Responsibility towards the local community and nearby Schools”**.

2. Objectives of the Practice:

- The objective of the best practice is to extend the expertise of the institution to the local community and the students of the nearby schools through different programmes and extension works.

3. The Context:

- The role of Higher Education Institutions is diverse in the present context. The NEP-2020 has emphasized the overall development of students by providing quality and inclusive education. The NEP-2020 has also emphasized on the sound, secured, healthy and inspiring environment for the students. UGC in the document for *Fostering Social Responsibility & Community Engagement in Higher Educational Institutions in India 2.0* (2022) states that “HEIs can play an important role to achieve the objectives of socio-economic development of New India through community engagement.”. With a view to make this recommendation successful the institution has been promoting strategies and steps to engage its faculties and the student community with the local community and the nearby schools. It aims to create awareness among the students at nearby schools regarding health and safety, hygiene, environmental awareness, life skills and soft skills, taking classes in special areas of academics etc. The college also regularly carries out extension activities towards the local community and the adopted village by organizing health camps, blood donation camps, and creating public awareness regarding many social issues and observing significant days through collaboration with different organization. The institution also aims to do research works and provide internships to students in partnership with some organization and industries through community – based research projects.

4. The Practice:

- The Extension Activities and Outreach Programme Cell, NSS, Internal Security and Cleanliness Committee, Women’s Cell, Community Development Committee and Health & Hygiene Committee of the college regularly engage in social responsibility activities at nearby schools and the local community.
- The IQAC of college in collaboration with different departments and cells has also been carrying out regular activities at nearby schools through organizing different activities.
- The Extension Activities and Outreach Programme Cell of college entrust college teachers and professional to conduct activities like health camp, plantation drives at schools at regular intervals.
- The institution also engages in teaching in the nearby schools by the faculties and providing career counseling to students.

5. Evidence of Success:

- The college has already implemented activities to carry out for successful implementation of social responsibility at schools.
- The college has successfully conducted different programmes in the adopted village in the field of physical and mental wellness, gender empowerment, flood relief, education etc.
- The participation of the students in the extension services and community development programme of the college has been very encouraging and satisfactory.
- The faculty members of the college have been able to apply their knowledge, skill and field of expertise towards the betterment of the local community and the students of nearby schools.
- Collaboration with different organizations, government bodies and engagement with the local community has enriched the academic and co-curricular activities of the institution.

6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

The institution has been actively engaged in fostering social responsibility towards the community and nearby schools and makes it successful as one of the best practices of the institution. The strategies adopted by the institution have been successful so far, but it has encountered a few obstacles at times which decelerate its pace in bringing out the desired outcomes. However, the institution regularly reviews the steps taken and plans to implement it more successfully in the future. The major problems encountered are:

- Limited financial resources of the college to increase the number of extension programmes.
- Motivating the nearby schools to collaborate with the college in conducting different programmes.
- Inculcating a scientific mindset in the people of the adopted village toward entrepreneur skill and creating awareness regarding health and hygiene.

7. Strategies to Overcome the Problems:

- The institution collaborates with industries and government and non- governmental organization for funding some programmes.
- Regular communication with the institutional heads of the schools is established.
- Awareness is created in the local community to instill scientific thinking and motivate them towards adopting them.


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