

## **BEST PRACTICE I**

**Title:** Sensitization of Pupil Teachers for Societal contribution and protection of the Environment

### **1) Context:**

When individuals are accountable for fulfilling their civic duty then the actions of an individual must benefit the whole of society. There must be a balance between economic growth and the welfare of society and the environment, and then only social responsibility is accomplished. It is built on a system of ethics, in which decisions and actions must be ethically validated before proceeding. If the action or decision causes harm to society or the environment, then it would be considered to be socially irresponsible. Every individual has a responsibility to act in manner that is beneficial to society and not solely to the individual.

Our institute is dedicated and aims to implant qualities like communal harmony, environmental protection and conservation, health and hygiene, spreading awareness in community through our students through initiatives of social responsibility and actions to protect environment.

### **2) Objectives of the practice**

- a) To make the students understand and implement the constitutional duties in practical life situations
- b) To train our students for varied pandemic and epidemic situations through the protection of the environment
- c) To encourage students to participate in activities such as volunteering
- d) To undertake diverse roles of responsibility among their peers and in the wider community.

### **3) The Practice**

College organizes numerous activities under the NSS Cell, RRC, Placement Cell, IQAC, RUSA, Electoral Literacy Club, Alumni Association, PARIJAT Eco Club till date to sensitize the stakeholders and protect our environment like International Women's Day Webinar -"Threading the Global Pearls and Embellishing the Strings"; International webinars on -"Towards Responsible Pandemic Adaptation : Cross Cultural Sharing On What Is Going On & 'Yoga for Elevation- A Guide to Sound Mental Health'; Coping with Covid 19 challenges through Yogic Practices etc. National Webinars on -'Benefaction: A Repayment to the Society' & on

‘Normalizing emotions: all about emotional wellbeing & Effective communication skills: Importance in the Life’; on ‘National Education Policy 2020: A Precursor to Total Re-Engineering of Indian Education for Ensuring Quality- The Teacher Education Context’; on Rakt Daan Maha Daan. A 3 Day International workshop on ‘Industry Readiness: Identifying Trends and Enhancing Skills’; RUSA workshop– “Resume Writing and Interview Skills”; National Workshop-cum-Training program under Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan.

During the present times and also during pandemic as per the instructions by Centre Government and State NSS Cell Chandigarh, our College NSS volunteers complete each task within time like to download Aarogya Setu app, IGOT Registration, IGOT Training Completed and got Certificates, First E-Survey and Second E-Survey, online Yoga Asnas and Surya Namaskar etc. After the pandemic breakout, when students reported to college with all the precautionary measures, to spread awareness in society, activities like Poster Making and Slogan writing competitions, online Oath taking, E-Talks, National and international webinars, Online quiz, bicycle rally, debate and declamation, Online “Logo” Competitions, Online Surveys, Virtual Rallies, postcard competitions and panel discussions etc. on varied themes as Importance of Vote, International Anti Corruption Day, National Road Safety Month , On Drug – Free India – “Nasha Mukh Bharat” by Ministry Of Social Justice And Empowerment Government Of India, Survey on COVID-19 Vaccine Drive in India, World No Tobacco Day, Be With Yoga, Be at Home, International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, Women Equality Day, Relevance of BMI IN Diet: Feeding Smart Right from the Start, World Ozone Day, Health and Hygiene, Food and Kitchen Hygiene, Voluntary Blood Donation Day, International Day of the Girl Child, Voter Helpline App download to create mass public awareness regarding the pandemic and constitutional duties of individuals. In Addition, environmental activities on themes as Jal Shakti Abhiyan under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) program, Tree Plantation drives, Earth Day, Biological Diversity, Ecosystem Restoration, Awareness regarding Plastic Pollution, a celebration of World Environment Day, Oath-taking on International Plastic Bag Free Day, Van Mahotsav, Anti Crackers Pledge for prevention of Nature were organized. The college continues its activities till date and is dedicated to contribute its part to the society with a motto of “NOT ME BUT YOU”.

NSS camps on “Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and Fit India Campaign”; on Teachers’ Day, Eye Donation Awareness, Poshan Maah ; celebration of Azadi Mahotsav; Blood Donation; World

AIDS Day; Environment Day; Tree Plantation drives; installation of wall hanging plants; awareness drives, cleanliness drives in schools and other sections of society; visit to old age homes, blind schools etc. are some of the regular features of college practiced till date.

#### **4) Problems encountered**

Involving more and more stakeholders in the activity is sometimes not satisfactorily achieved but we work on it by taking the help of parents of students and alumnus of the college

#### **5) Impact of practice**

The purpose of organizing these activities for the prospective teachers was to inculcate values of appreciation of Nature, social competence, sympathy, empathy, leadership qualities, decision making, organization skills, protection and conservation of Environment was completely fulfilled as there were regular and healthy interactions and enthusiastic participation of students, faculty members, delegates, guests and society members. The interaction between the college and society was maintained very well.

#### **6) Resources required:**

Through involvement of Society members and various NGOs working in the field, identification of resource persons has become easier and MOUs with such institutions is helping and still these may pose a challenge to fulfil future endeavours.

#### **7) About the Institution**

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