

Best Practice 1

Title of the Practice:

"FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY AND DESERVING STUDENTS"

Objective:

Our institution is committed to providing "Quality education at an affordable cost." In line with this focus, we extend financial and other forms of assistance to deserving students who are in need, ensuring that no student is hindered in their pursuit of education due to financial constraints. The objectives of these practices are

- > To offer financial support to students facing economic hardship, preventing them from discontinuing their studies.
- > To support all the deserving students financially without any discrimination of caste, creed or gender.
- > To identify and support single-parent students and support them with financial needs
- > To motivate sports students by providing Tuition Fees Concession

Context:

In a series of continuous discussions with students, we found that most of the students were from weaker sections and many coming from single-parent households not able to complete their studies. Our institution has established a selection process to identify needy and deserving candidates based on their financial and academic background. The students of all these categories are given scholarships from funds received from Management and Trustee members. The college's SC/ST committee serves as a vital resource for underprivileged students, facilitating their access to various state and central government scholarships.

The practice:

All the eligible SC/ST students are provided scholarship as per government rules. The following categories of students are considered for providing Management scholarship.

- 1. Merit Scholarship- Students with outstanding academic performance in their HSC exams and a subsequent positive progression in their semester marks.
- 2. Economically Downtrodden Students Concession Students below the poverty line, single-parent students are considered.
- 3. Sports Scholarship Students who exhibit remarkable athletic ability at the district or state level.

Our institution is receiving contributions in the form of financial help from the Management and Trustee members. In this manner, a significant number of students benefit from the scholarship, free ship, and financial aid schemes offered by the college. By extending these forms of support, the college plays a prominent role in social welfare, ensuring that deserving students have access to an affordable and subsidized education. This commitment to accessibility and affordability reflects the college's dedication to fostering inclusive and equitable educational opportunities within society. Apart from management scholarship, our institution provides assistance in getting merit with scholarship from various NGO's.

Evidence of Success:

- About 396 students received government scholarship, 1051 students received management scholarships and 58 students received Scholarships from NGO's based on various categories.
- College becomes proud of such utilization of funds for helping needy and deserved students.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

Problem 1: Identifying the most suitable student from a pool of candidates is a challenging endeavor.

Resource Required: Consideration of various factors such as academic performance, financial background of the student

Best Practice 2

Title of the Practice:

"ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT WITH ADOPTED VILLAGE"

Objective:

- 1. To actively contribute towards the overall growth and prosperity of the community
- 2. To strengthen bonding with the local community.
- 3. To create awareness about various issues among local community people.

The Context:

Our Institution's NSS Team, as a part of extension activities, adopted the nearby village, Dhaliyur, during the academic year 2019-2020. The village is a western suburb of Coimbatore city. situated about 3 kms from the College campus and the majority of the local community belongs to the ST/ST and backward community. Most of the people are engaged in daily wage labor, with many individuals lacking literacy skills. It's concerning to hear about the need for maintenance of public amenities and the lack of personal hygiene in the community.

The Practice:

Every year, in the month of January, the NSS Team organizes a week-long special camp in their adopted village, Dhaliyur. The team establishes a bond with the local community by frequent visits to the village and inquiring about people's needs.

- Community Awareness: Awareness Programmes are conducted which highlight the importance of maintaining public amenities and practicing good personal hygiene. Our institution organizes a range of awareness programs and rallies, including sessions on Tobacco Usage & Hazards and "Meendum Manchapai" a Programme to prevent the usage of plastic bags.
- **Community Medical Awareness**: Free medical camps for residents of nearby villages are conducted and emphasize educating the residents about healthy eating habits.
- Community Clean-up Initiatives: Our Institution Organizes community clean-up events
 in the adopted villages, Government school of Dhaliyur and in a nearby Blind School.
 Clean-up initiatives include white washing, government school campus, cleaning school

grounds etc. These events can foster a sense of ownership and pride in the community while also improving cleanliness.

• Community Reinforcement: Our institution organizes various sports events to nearby Government School students to enhance their skills and distributes prizes to the winners as encouragement. Hosting cultural programs in the evening is a wonderful way to engage with the local community, foster a sense of unity, and showcase the talents of the NSS volunteers. These cultural programs can include a variety of activities such as traditional dances, music performances, Memic etc

Evidence of Success:

Around 8000 & more local people benefit through this practice. These practices not only provide interactions with the local community, but also help to understand social needs, cultivate a compassionate spirit and foster a positive outlook on life among students.

This best practice exemplifies our commitment to social and community responsibility. Emphasizing the importance of community engagement and the development of well-rounded individuals.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

Problem 1: Financial constraints may limit the resources available for Village adoption programs.

Resources Required: External funding through sponsorships, NGO's

Problem 2: Lack of Basic Amenities

Resources Required: Reached out to multiple NGO's to assist with the construction and upkeep of essential facilities