

Best Practices:

I. Title of the Practice: *Sensitizing Students about Environmental and Ecological Issues:*

Goal: The aspiration of Women's College is not only to stimulate the students in pursuing their studies properly but also to create awareness among them regarding the emerging environmental issues and its impact on the lives of people living in this world, thereby fostering a sense of personal environment responsibility, motivation and commitment among the students towards the protection of the environment..

Context: Throughout the voyage of the college for 55 golden years, it is playing a vital role in disseminating quality education among the women of the state. But in this era when Mother Nature is under threat, the college feels the responsibility to come up with some measures for the students to sensitize them about the ecological imbalances that the world is facing today, so that they can play their distinct roles in making our world a better place for the future generation.

The Practice:

- i) In order to take any step towards protecting our surrounding environment, awareness is the must. Therefore, organization of invited talks, workshops, lectures, rallies, cleaning activities, awareness programs are regularly done in the college.
- ii) Faculties, NCC and NSS Units, Students' Council, Alumni Association take regular initiatives in organizing such programs.

Evidences of Success:

In the last one year, faculty members in association with Students' Council and other organizations arranged a number of programs which are listed below:

- i) 200 students participated in activities like Tree Plantation organized by NSS on Sensitizing students to ecological and environmental issues on 5th September, 2018 and 29th June, 2019 respectively.
- ii) An awareness programme on "Environmental hazards of e-waste" sponsored by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Govt. of India has been conducted by the department of Environmental Science on 16th December 2018.

- iii) **One day seminar on “Volcanoes and Natural Disaster” was organized by the Dept. of Geography on 18th April 2019 in collaboration with the Geological Survey of India, Tripura Mizoram Chapter.**
- iv) **An awareness programme on “Swachh Bharat” was organized by NSS wing of the college in the areas near Radhanagar motorstand, Agartala on 13th November 2018.**
- v) **Programmes for environmental protection and sensitization among students and faculties are organized in the form of extension lectures, different kind of activities etc. Important days concerning with the environment - World Water Day, World Earth Day, World Environment Day - are celebrated.**
- vi) **The Students’ Council members played a vital role in organizing Swachh Bharat cleanliness drive in the college this year. They also performed a skit on Swachhata hi Seva’ before the Hon’ble Governor of the state of Tripura.**
- vii) **A satisfactory no of students and teachers were deputed in a Workshop on ‘Conservation of Water’ organized by Central Water Commission Board.**
- viii) **Swachha Bharat Summer Internship Programme was also undertaken by NSS Wing of this college. A great number of students participated in a rally on ‘Save Environment’.**
- ix) **As a part of maintaining cleanliness, the lavatory facility of the college has been upgraded. Bins are placed at different places of the college to make the surroundings clean. The college beatification committee always plays a vigilant role over such situations.**
- x) **The college follows some practices to conserve energy e.g in purchasing of equipments which follow environmental safety norms, motivating students to put the computer in sleepy mode when not in use, always turning off monitors and other electronic devices when not essential, minimizing the paper work and wastages by doing limited printing and by using electronic method for circulating information / notices etc.**
- xi) **The buildings of the campus are well ventilated and lighted and needs no artificial lighting. At the end of the classes, one staff is instructed to visit all the classrooms and corridors and close the equipments like fan, tube, bulb, water coolers etc.**
- xii) **About five lights of the campus are solar power based which work during the night time.**
- xiii) **About 200 different tree species have been planted, which are fixing considerable amount of CO₂ every year.**
- xiv) **Dead plants are replaced by new one by planting fresh seedling from state forest department. More than 100 ornamental plants are there in the college.**
- xv) **As a part of hazardous waste management, the faculties use very less corrosive chemicals for carrying out practical classes. Disposal to drains is done in dilute form and is kept in minimum practical. Chemicals are purchased in minimum quantity to save expiry and disposal.**

Problems encountered and resources required:

- . Constraints of fund in organizing such events
- . Inadequate number of faculties and supporting staff
- . Paucity of time amid the busy academic schedule

II. Title of the Practice: *Regular Conduction of Student-Centric Activities:*

Goal: The goal of Women's College is not only to engage the students in teaching-learning process, but also to develop their intellectual, emotional, social, physical, mental, artistic, creative and spiritual potentials, so that they can grow up as healthy and competent women to face the challenging world gallantly. It aims at the integration of academic learning programs with the larger issues of understanding values, nurturing skills and moving towards knowledge.

Context: Women's College, being a premier institute catering to the needs of women students from every nook and corner of the state bears the responsibility of educating the students from all aspects side by side their formal education. But under the context of the competitive and fast- changing world, the college, in its mission to give education with a holistic perspective, feels the responsibility to come up with more welfare measures for the students so that they can bloom with all their inner and hidden capabilities.

The Practice:

- i) Organization of invited talks, workshops, lectures, rallies, cleaning activities, awareness programs are regularly done in the college.
- ii) Faculties, NCC and NSS Units, Students' Council, Alumni Association take proper initiatives in organizing such programs.

Evidences of Success:

- i) A Seminar on life and activities of Mahatma Gandhi was organized by Dept. of History in commemoration of Mahatma Gandhi's 150th birth anniversary.
- ii) An awareness programme cum seminar was organized on 28th March 2019 on "On Different Provisions of Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955 and Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes Prevention of Atrocities Act, 1989".
- iii) A discussion on "Bharat Charcha" was organized by Department of History on 2nd August 2018.
- iv) A workshop has been organized on 29th March 2019 by the Department of Education on "Mentoring Programme".
- v) An awareness programme on "Study on Digital Banking and its Impact on Rural India" was organized on 6th June 2019.
- vi) A seminar on "Social Justice & Dr. B.R. Ambedkar" was organized on 12th March 2019 on the Occasion of 128th Birth Anniversary of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.
- vii) Sanitary Napkin vending and burning machine have been installed in the college campus as well as in the Girls' hostel.
- viii) A large number of students participated in programmes like Swachhha Bharat Summer Internship Programme at Nutan Nagar, Pradhan Mantri Jana Arogya Yojana, National Voluntary Blood Donor's Day, AIDS/HIV Awareness Programme (Town Hall), 150th Birth Anniversary of Gandhiji, Road Safety Week (Inauguration Programme), Educational Tour to Abhay Ashram, 6th North-East Youth Festival 2018, Seminar on Indian Youth Parliament, State Youth Parliament (Speech Competition) etc.
- ix) Deworming Day, Mop-Up Day, Swachhata Hi Seva, Environment Day, International Women's Day, International Yoga Day, Vanamahotsava, Annual Sports, Freshers' Welcome, Saraswati Puja and all other nationally important days are celebrated with great enthusiasm.
- x) A large number of NCC Cadets participated in programmes like Swachh Samoha, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Multi stakeholder consultation workshop for formulation of State Youth Policy, Basic Leadership Camp, Independence Day Parade, IGC- National Republic Day Camp, State Level Republic Day Parade etc.
- xi) Students participated and bagged prizes in the debate competition on "Eradicating corruption is essential for building a new India", on "Vigilance awareness week celebration", essay writing competition on "anti corruption", on "Inclusive growth and good governance through cooperatives of rural prosperity" and on "Occupational safety and health of factory workers" of college and state levels. A number of students also won national level awards in kabaddi and volley ball meets.
- xii) The Students' Council of the college organized a workshop on drama in the college during 4-6th October, 2018.
- xiii) Students' representatives are members of the placement cell of the college as their involvement in this cell is considered to be crucial. Students are sent to pool campus drives in various organizations.
- xiv) Field visit and industrial visit of different places are conducted by various departments as per guidelines of Tripura University syllabus.

- xv) **Constructive feedbacks are taken from the students as well as the teachers to see whether learning outcomes are achieved or not. Based on their feedbacks, effective guidance is given to the needy learners that enable them to improve their knowledge, competence and professional skills necessary to support independent learning.**

Problems encountered and resources required:

- . Fund-constraints in organizing such events**
- . Inadequate number of supporting staff**
- . Paucity of time amid the busy academic schedule**