

7.2.1 – Describe at least two institutional best practices

I. Title of the Practice: Creating social awareness through “Inner Will Club”

Objectives of the Practice:

- To inculcate social responsibility and values among the students who are the major stakeholders of the Educational Institutions.
- To develop leadership qualities and spirit of team work.
- To sensitize students regarding social commitments.
- To make students responsible citizens of the country.
- To cultivate the spirit of service to the community; to feel joy of dedicated services and selflessness among the students.
- To promote holistic and positive development of young students.

The Context:

Institutional living among the aged is becoming an increasingly common form of living in some societies, especially among the oldest of the old. It is generally believed that old people are helpless, isolated, physically weak and economically dependent.

There are more orphans in the world than a lot of people realize. Worldwide, there were 140 million orphans. The primary objective of Orphanage is to provide a home, love, happiness, physical, mental, emotional and spiritual nourishment, the highest level of education possible, and a hope for a bright future.

Rural Development Foundation runs schools for underprivileged children with the belief that education is the vehicle to help poor families out of poverty. 21.9 percent of the population still lives below the national poverty line.

In order to understand the socio-economic and psychological problems of the society an effort was made to interview the inmates of various organizations relevant to the context such as,

Visit to Orphanage:

Visit to Old Age Home:

Visit to Primary School at Slum Area:

The Process:

Visit to Orphanage:

Inner Will Club strives to provide educational stationeries to deprived children of primary school. Inner Will Club organized a visit to children's' home, **Dil Kush Children Home**, Uttan on 25th January 2019. It is a shelter home for orphans who do not have family support. The college students organized competitions and cultural program for the children. Students and teachers distributed educational stationeries and sport materials for needy students. It was an effort to inculcate social values among the students through Inner Will Club. Our aim is not just to educate but transform the students to be a responsible citizen of our society.

Visit to Old Age Home:

Inner Will Club has visited '**Radhika Old Age Home.**', Uttan, Gorai Road, Bhayandar (West), on 25th January Students organized cultural programmes, singing and dance performance on old songs for the senior citizens. The main objective of this visit was to sensitize the youth and to make them emotionally attach to their parents and grandparents. It was an effort of Inner will club to draw attention of students to the problems faced by senior citizen of the Old Age Home.

Visit to Primary School at Slum Area:

To sensitize students regarding realities of poor children in slum area, Inner Will Club visited Primary School, Divine Academy, Uttan Road, Gorai, Bhayandar (West) on 25th January 2019. Our student volunteers approached in each class and appealed to students to donate willingly toys, games, pencil box, pens, notebooks, water bottles, Tiffin box, etc. to distribute among poor children at slum area.

Evidence of success:

- Students showed their willingness to work for other social issues of the society.
- The College and students received an appreciation and blessings from the localities.

Problems Encountered and resources required

After establishment of Inner Will Club the major challenge was to spread its message to more than 5000 students and encourage the students to willingly participate for the noble and generous cause.

Further to ask the student to provide time from their busy academic schedule was one more obstacle. Raising Finance for visit to backward areas was also a major challenge.

The following resources were required:

- Transport facility to reach as well as carry the material to the location.
- Packaging material to pack the items received for distribution.
- Snacks and water for the students and teachers

Remark

- First teachers took the initiative in encouraging the students and explaining the problems being faced by society.
- Subsequently students marched on to take the task.
- An appeal is made every year to all the students to donate in kind any educational stationery for this noble cause.
- Management and Principal have been helpful with respect to resources required and also received support from teaching, non- teaching staff, students and Alumni.

II. Title of the Practice: Late Pravin Patil Prize Distribution Ceremony, on the Foundation Day (19th September)

Objectives of the Practice:

- To appreciate the academic talent in the vicinity of Mira-Bhayander.
- To motivate the School and Junior College students for better performance in the examinations.
- Opportunity to serve the society for better social relationships.

The Context:

There are a number of high schools in Mira-Bhayander vicinity catering the educational needs of the society. It is the need to motivate and appreciate the efforts taken by such institution. The students and their success are thereby highlighted by inviting and honoring them. It boosts their morale and also

motivates the forthcoming batches of students. Besides, parents experience the feeling of satisfaction and appreciation when their wards are awarded with.

The Process:

The college gathers complete data of the meritorious students from all schools and Junior colleges of Mira-Bhayander locality. Compile the list and then send the invitation to the respective students.

Evidence of success:

- The biggest evidence of success is presence of high number of meritorious students accompanied with their parents for the ceremony.
- A note of appreciation published in local newspaper by press media.

Problems Encountered and resources required

- Reaching all the schools and junior colleges in Mira-Bhayander locality to get the details of meritorious students.
- Reaching all the meritorious students of Mira-Bhayander Locality for invitation.

The following resources are required to conduct the ceremony:

- Trophies & Medals
- Certificates
- Cash Prize Money
- Auditorium and related equipment.

Remark

- The Principal and the Management took the initiative to serve the society for maintaining better Social relationship.
- The college has successfully organized the ceremony for past two decades.