

Title of the Practice

1. Community Engagement Practice

a. Free Health Check-up

b. E-learning Awareness through Social Survey

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Objectives of the Practice

The essence of community engagement as a multi-faceted, relationship-oriented practice that prioritizes mutual benefit, inclusivity, and active participation between both college and community. The community engagement helps to identify and understand the community's health concerns and unique needs and preferences. It helps to improve community health outcomes. It leads to numerous benefits that enhance the quality of life for residents and improve health of peoples.

The Context

The college is located in Niphad and known as one of the reputed colleges in rural areas. The college is established with view of catering higher education to the students from the villages and surrounding rural areas. People in the rural area ignore their health-related problems due to their busy schedule in farming. So, the college has chalked out an initiative to organize a complete health check- up camp for the community. Helping to community is an opportunity for us to giving back to something to society in the form of health checkup. As, society provide us better surrounding and environment.

The Practice

The College has organized Free Complete Health Check up camp in college campus on the occasion of birth anniversary of Hon. BalasahebKshirsagar (Sabhapati M.V.P. SamajNashik). In which Doctors from Dr. Vasantao Pawar Medical College, hospital and Research Centre were visited to our K.G.D.M. Arts, Commerce and Science College, Niphad dated on 28th December 2023.

The day started with Distribution of doctors according to their specialization. This camp includes Blood donation camp, Free Eye checking, Ear and Throat checking, heart related disease check-up, Women's genitourinary disease check-up, ortho related check- up were organized.

The people from the nearby villages namely, Kothure, Shivadi, Niphad, Sonewadi attended the free health check-up camp organized by the college. They visited various departments according to their health issues. The people having heart related issues were provided ECG and other facilities. The people having eyes and ear related issue visited to this particular section. Our N.C.C. department students and volunteers as well as our college staff also allotted for the

help and to show the direction or to reach the particular section. Prescription and medicines were given to the patients according to their health problems.

Evidence of Success

In this camp 44 people donated blood, 69 people visited to chest related disease section for check up, 56 visited to Nose, Ear and Throat related Problems section, visit to Ortho section 6 visited to physiotherapy section, 8 visited to Child disease section, 15 visited to gynecology section, 150 visited to Eye related problems section, 43 visited for ECG and 71 visited for Skin disease section. In this camp in observation of doctors' medical tablets and syrups are also provided to beneficiaries.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required.

- Niphad college is located in rural area. Most people from this area are farmers. It was difficult to convince them to come to college for their free health check up because of their reluctance to carry out health check up.
- They are Reluctant to carry out follow up.
- Women are averse to because of social prejudices and ignorance.
- Most of the instruments were not possible to take it at the college. therefore the primary tests were conducted.
- Limited medicines were made available at the college at primary level of check up

b. E-learning Awareness through Social Survey

Objectives of the Practice

E-learning awareness through Social Surveys conducted through Community Engagement Activity which help to understand the needs, opportunities and preferences of the local community and the level of awareness of the society while using e-learning applications.

The Context

The activity of e-learning awareness through social survey is a society-based activity run with the help of students. This activity helps to the students to know the benefits and issues experienced by the surrounding area of the students and is also helpful to know the level of awareness of the society and to identify themselves while using e-learning applications. Instead, another Social survey has been conducted by the students of the college by visiting primary schools which helps the students to identify and to monitor the changing patterns of the education, preferences of students and parents and its impact on the number of students admitted in government school, private schools and colleges. The analysis of the report will help to nullify the disparity between Govt. Schools and private schools in the area and also the opinion regarding the e-learning facilities and its impact on the students living in the society.

The Practice

To know the pros and cons of social media, the college has conducted an activity of social survey under the theme of community engagement, in which students get awareness regarding application of e-learning devices and social media applications. The social experience of the students also helps them to be aware while using these apps and this technology. For this purpose, the students of college get information from the society and reported it in the college. College students made a social survey report dated on 12th October 2023 on the topic reasons for rise in the number of students in International Primary School versus drop in the number of students in government run schools. For this survey they choose village namely Sriramnagar and visited to the primary school. In this survey students first collect the information of primary school namely the year of establishment of school, history of school, the area of school, registration number, number of teaching staff, facilities provided to students, etc.

The above information was collected by students through survey. Total 61 students participated in this survey. The reason behind choosing this topic was to find the factors responsible for the drop in the number of students in government primary schools. According to report there are various factors which were responsible for this change. From the above data students found that the numbers of student were flexible but according to number of peoples in village Sriramnagar the strength of students in government school was not satisfactory.

From Covid-19, students have less positive attitude towards education, many private institutions have developed their educational apps and students and parents have also positive perception for purchasing and using that apps. But the situation is varies from area to area, hence the students of the college have visited in their local areas and made face to face visit with the local residents/students to know their perception towards use of e-learning techniques as well as its impact on the society.

Evidence of Success

The students from various departments of the college have visited with local families to know the benefits and issues of the e-learning applications experienced by the society. This activity is implemented with the help of students through which the students are able to know the attitude of society regarding application of e-learning and get oral information for increasing their awareness and for reporting purpose.

In this survey students visited nearby government school of the village namely Sriramnagar. They recorded the number of students in government school from register of Headmaster of school from the year 2018 to 2023 as follows, 96 students in the year 2018-19, in 2019-20, the number was 98, 93 students in 2020-21, the number of, 93 students in 2021-22, 96 students in 2022-23. The number of students reduced because of change in education pattern, attraction towards English medium school, old teaching methods and overall school building structure and facilities available for students.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required.

- The primary school principal was not ready to disclose the data without the permission of the authority.
- It is difficult to find out all reasons behind decrease in number of students only from school data.
- It has been an arduous task to convince the government schools to implement the changes as per the analysis of the survey.

Notes in Social Survey

Social survey in the institution plays an important role for the development of the college with special efforts of the students and by using e-learning techniques. This point should be positively implemented by the university while taking any decision regarding in framing syllabus as per NEP at UG/PG level and for regular and professional units also. It will help to the university to recognize the perception of students adopting/ using e-learning techniques and to know its pros and cons in the society.

Best Practices-02

Educate-Enhance-Empower skills amongst students

Objectives of the Practice

The college organized this practice with the objective to recognize hard work and efforts of faculty members and students in the improvement of educational level of the student and staff and to encourage the students and staff for their overall development. For this purpose various skill based activities are conducted in the college to educate-enhance and to empower students in the globalized and competitive era. To inculcate these valued amongst students following programs are conducted smoothly and successfully.

- Mehendi design
- Mushroom Cultivation
- Vermi-compost
- Skill Enhancement Program
- Modi-lipi Course
- Computer Course- Machine Learning

Context

Academic excellence is the power of college. It is maintained with the contentious efforts. Therefore, the students of the college can meet the challenges. Education with values for National building is one of the priorities of the college. Most of the students of the college participates in various activities beyond the college to increase their knowledge and skills and also share it with others. Also, the students of the college are from lower socio economic background but having a good potential. For socio-economic development of students, these practices are organized to expose the students of good potential in different areas. Therefore, the practice of felicitations of skillful students of college leads to motivate the students for life excellencies. In this context the college encourage the students to develop them and to promote for socio-economic development and to survive in the globalized and competitive era.

The Practice

The College organized the felicitation programs for the students, on the occasion of Samaj Din and the Annual Day Function of our college. The students were felicitated for their active participation and greater achievements in Mehendi design, Mushroom Cultivation, Vermi-compost, Skill Enhancement Program, Modi-lipi Course and Computer Course- Machine Learning. Felicitations were done by giving flower and book for students for participating and conducting these activities successfully. It was having wonderful experience to the students and to learn financial ability-based activities to earn money and to serve in the society, by organizing under one roof and working together to give this momentum a direction. It is an emotional and joyous moment for the students to nurture themselves.

Evidence of Success

The success ratio is about 25-30% that the students having successfully completed the program, have started to work at Mushroom cultivation unit located at Pimplas to get more practical knowledge of cultivation, controlling and sale of Mushroom. Girl students have developed their skills and now ready to get orders as Mehendi artists on various occasions, students having knowledge of Vermi-compost units are also practicing in their own farms on basic level and motivating to their family members for organic farming. Students having basic knowledge of Computers, are now engage in completing their advance courses in computers and courses in computer languages in Prachi Computers, Niphad having MoU with college. Students are also working in Panchayatsamiti record room to read the records available in Modi-lipi.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required.

- Poor perception of students.
- Low confidence level of students.
- Need more time for practical
- Prompt availability of resources