

Best Practice –I

Title of the practice: Traditional Day

Objectives of the practice:-●

- To motivate the students regarding the various festivals and costumes in the nation.
- To preserve the Indian culture and tradition in the globalized context of education.

The context:

India is a multicultural and multilingual country having rich heritage of various cultures and traditions. Now in the changing scenario of globalization, various traditions and costumes are vanishing. It is our duty to preserve these oral and unnoticed traditions, languages and their existence by performing the folk cultural events and to know about the various traditions to the present students of the college. The

Practice:-

Every year college organizes the event of traditional day every year in January. The event is organized in the college campus in two ways: an individual event and the team event. The wide publicity is given to the students and, as an annual practice; they take part individually and in the team. All students of the college remain present to see the event. Traditional folk characters who represent traditional culture and who are rarely seen in these days are represented by the students. The team performances are also based on traditional and rural life of the people. Students are encouraged by giving some gifts.

Evidence of Success:-

As it has been the regular and fixed activity of the college, it is a very successful one and famous among the students. This gives ample scope to the students who hardly take part on the stage as an artist. It definitely increases the confidence of the students and many of them take part either individually or in a team. Every year it is a novel experience for them so the event is a grand success.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:-

The team presentation requires sufficient time for preparation and also they require the traditional resources to enhance the quality of presentation. Inadequate time for preparation and to bring live resources has been some of the constraints in the organization of the event-The Traditional Day.



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Best Practice- II

Title of the Practice: Cleanliness campaign and Environmental Awareness in Tukaram Maharaj Palakhi Procession.

Objectives of the Practice:

- i) To create awareness among students and public at large about the importance of sanitation and environment.
- ii) ii) To increase the participation of people in the eradication of bad habits and misconceptions about environment and sanitation
- iii) To boost students and people to participate in the process of ‘Swachh Bharat Abhiyan’ and involve the collaboration of various universities to do it.

The Context: Every year, in Maharashtra, Palakhi processions from holy places of the various Saints (native place) go to Pandharpur sometimes in the month of June-July (Marathi Month –Aashadh). Thousands of pilgrims from different places come together at a native village of saints and start the processions to Pandharpur. One such procession of Saint Tukaram travels via our village Akluj and many of pilgrims reside in the college and on college play ground in the temporary tents. To provide medical facilities, shelter and make them aware of sanitation and environment in collaboration with government agencies is one of the practices of our college.

The Practice:

- Many teams of pilgrims (popularly known as ‘dindis’) reside in the college and on the playground of the college for few days. They are called ‘Warkaries’ and almost many of them are villagers having rural background. They need medical help, shelters and other facilities.
- The college, the NSS cell of the university in collaboration with NSS cells of various universities takes active part to create awareness among the pilgrims.
- In it, both students (Volunteers) and pilgrims have equal opportunity to train and learn. So the officers of the Govt. Education Dept., the representatives of the universities come together at the college and do the sanitation and environmental awareness activities.
- Many students from NSS and other students with staff were present to make pilgrims aware of sanitation and environment.
- The ecofriendly leaf plates made up of leaves are distributed free of cost to avoid plastic plates.
- The used leaf plates are used for compost fertilizers in the botanical garden of the college. So the sanitation campaign on the college focuses on the environmental issues, eradications of plastic, compost fertilizers and importance of cleanliness.

Evidence of Success:

The Participation of Govt. of Maharashtra, various universities and the local college have proved it as a successful event. The event not only makes awareness among the pilgrims but train our students to create the sense of these issues as the learners. It is training for them.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

The Government of Maharashtra has provided eco-friendly leaf plates. Medical facility is provided by the medical department of the government and volunteers of NSS of the various universities have worked together to make the event a success. Large number of pilgrims is one of the constraints of the event. The harmony in the organization is sometimes disturbed due to the large number of pilgrims





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