

## Best Practice 1

2020-21

### **Adoption of Crematorium:**

#### **Objectives:**

- To maintain cleanliness drive of the Crematorium
- To eradicate blind faith
- To bring environmental awareness among students and villagers
- To generate scientific temper among the college stakeholders
- To create social attachment
- To bring out socialization

#### **The Context:**

The vision of our institution is '**Education for the knowledge, character and patriotism**' our college has undertaken one untouched and novel programme. The NSS unit of our college is very active and we have organized various programmes through it. We have a strong desire to do something innovative and creative for the society in which we live. During the discussion, our office colleague Mr. Satyanarayana Bhutada suggested to adopt Crematorium the neglected thing by the society. His innovative idea is liked by all. So to do something for the society we adopted this crematorium to remove and eradicate their feelings of fear, blind faith and generate scientific temper. Our college has adopted the nearest Crematorium of Khadgaon road, Khadgaon. With due permission and insight of our principal, the NSS unit of the college has contributed well by implementing this scheme. The principal, the teaching, non-teaching staff and students actively participate in making this Crematorium clean and planting different types of trees under this scheme.

**The Practice:** We observe, today, in every village that there are quarrels and controversy over the crematorium among the castes. We adopted this Khadgaon crematorium which is near to the college to establish healthy relations and bring social awareness among the future generation. It is said to be abode of ghosts, evil spirits and fierce deities. Therefore people in general prefer to avoid going near crematorium at night. The college has maintained cleanliness and planted trees with the help of NSS students and all the staff members in Khadgaon Crematorium. Our aim was not limited only to maintain cleanliness and plant trees but also we tried our level best to create humanity, scientific temper, environmental awareness and national integrity among the minds of each and every person who enters this crematorium. We feel proud to mention here that we painted some selected slogans on the walls to make everyone conscious about the purpose of their birth, life and death i.e. the human cycle of life. We also feel glad to cite here that we are

practicing it as our best practice successfully for the last three years. We feel proud to mention that these activities of keeping the Crematorium clean and maintaining it from time to time is a special activity of our NSS department. The college has taken this mission with prior permission through proper channel of the Gram panchayat. Tree plantation and cleanliness of Crematorium is done on the occasion of 15th August, 2nd October, 12th December, and 26th January. Around 60 trees and 52 tree guards are planted and maintained. Specially, all these tree guards are donated by all our staff members. We take care of these trees by watering them every week. All the college students actively participate in this mission.

**Evidence of success:** This helped us in keeping the Crematorium clean. By planting different plants, it proved fruitful in maintaining the environmental balance, to remove and eradicate their feelings of fear and generate scientific temper. It became useful in eradicating the traditional blind faith, and misunderstanding prevailing among the students as well as the villagers. It proved useful in changing the mentality. So, we are happy to mention it that this is as an impressive accomplishment of our college. We all are aware that everyone enters the crematorium for performing the last right of a person after death. The body is seen as an instrument to carry the soul. Bhagwat Gita quotes, “Just as old clothes are cast off and new ones taken, the soul leaves the body after the death to take a new one.” Cremation is referred to as “antimsansakara”, literally meaning ‘the last rites’.





**Problems Encountered and Resources Required:** When we planted trees for the first time in Crematorium, we didn't find those trees at that place. Next year, we planted the trees once again on the same place for the second time. Keeping this problem in mind, we decided to donate tree guards by each member of our staff.

We find the difficulty of negative mentality of our students. The question of religious equality is raised among the students. It is very difficult to get the co-operation of the employee of crematorium. We found even the non cooperation of the villagers. We also faced the difficulty in keeping the trees safe and water the roots. We also faced the scarcity of water. To overcome this scarcity of water, we tried to keep these trees alive by watering them sometimes by private tankers and mostly by recycling the waste water near the crematorium. Though the college has faced such various difficulties, we adopted this Crematorium as our special drive. The college has made efforts to protect these trees and keep it clean. 2. Students' Welfare Committee: In the beginning of every academic year, a Staff meeting is arranged by the principal in the month of June and a last year report of students' Welfare Committee is submitted in the meeting. With due permission of the Principal, the amount of rupees 1000/- is collected by the each staff member. The acting teachers of this Committee Mr. B. A. Kamble, Mr. S. B. Mohale, and the Librarian Mrs. R. D. Palkar (Surwase) make the plans to utilize the collected amount and maintain the welfare of the students. The needy students are helped such as to pay the admission fees, Examination fees, the T. A. and D. A. to participate in sports and competitions, to provide residential and mess facility, etc. The committee has maintained all the related record. This ground-breaking college level activity of Students' Welfare Committee is in constant

progression. This committee is run voluntarily by the principal and staff. So, we are successful in implementing this activity and it proved fruitful for us. A special care is taken to spend this amount on the poor and needy students only. The basic difficulty occurred to employ this activity is to select proper poor and needy students. It is very complex to keep in touch with the needy students. As our sources are limited, this facility cannot be provided to all the poor students.

## Blood Donation Camp

Objectives of the practice :

Our institution used to notice and practice its vision and mission during the course of teaching learning and research and extension activities. The objective of the practice are as follows

1. To provide the medical assistance in kind
2. To redeem the institutional vision
3. To render the institutional social responsibility
4. To maintain the institutional goodwill at the locality
4. To overcome the communal bias
5. To maintain the inclusiveness
6. To maintain the national integrity

### **The context:**

Our college has been situated at the heart of the city. It was an institutional responsibility to render the social commissions specially during the COVID-19 pandemic where the whole world had been paralyzed and going through the syndrome of paranoid. No one was free from the threat of the deadly disease,. Everyone was looking suspicious about the pandemic infection. Therefore even the public and private blood paths were looking for the silver line in case of donating blood. During such sensitive time our institution has taken the initiative of organizing the blood donation camp through National Service Scheme to render the institutional social responsibility.

On the eve of our Mentor Hon. Diliprao Deshmukh Birth Celebration our institution to conduct the **Blood Donation** camp on **18/04/2020 and 12/01/2021**

### **The Practice:**

Our institution has initiated to organize the Blood donation camp in consultation with the NSS programme officials and teaching and non-teaching members. NSS programme officials in consultation with NSS volunteers began to prepare the blood donation camp organization in association with the **Mauli Blood Bank** . On 18/04/2020 and 12/01/2021 . As per the custom it had been inaugurated duly by the college principal Dr. Ajay Patil by observing the Covid-19 Pandemic preventive measures.

During the Blood Donation Camp 33 college stakeholders had participated and tried to render the National Service.



The following photographs are an outcome of the practice :



Evidence of Success:

Even the sensitive time our institution reached the college stakeholders and convinced them with the help of the teaching and non-teaching community members particularly the NSS volunteers who took an institutional stake to organize the camps. **33** donors had donated the blood during such vulnerable condition is nothing but a grand success.

According to the said programme documentation have been maintained covering the community correspondence and the Media Coverages etc.

Problems Encountered and Resource Required: during the Covid-19 it was a quite challenge some to reach the college stakeholders and convince them to donate the blood .Still our college Unit National Service Scheme has done in association with the Volunteers . it was the first challenge to maintain the Human Touch as we did . To mobilize the masses in case as well as to make available the financial sources etc.,

Contact details:

<b>Name of the Society</b>	Manjara Charitable Trust, Latur
<b>Address</b>	Khadgaon Road, Latur
<b>Name of the College</b>	Smt.Sushiladevi Deshmukh Senior College, Latur
<b>Address</b>	Khadgaon Roat, Latur
<b>City</b>	Latur Pin Code-413512
<b>Contact No.</b>	02382-221524 (Office)
<b>Website</b>	<a href="https://www.sushiladevicollegelatur.com">https://www.sushiladevicollegelatur.com</a>
<b>E-mail Address</b>	<a href="mailto:sds.college@yahoo.in">sds.college@yahoo.in</a> <a href="mailto:ajaypatil1967@yahoo.com">ajaypatil1967@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Fax No.</b>	02382-221524