#### **BEST PRACTICES**

#### Best Practice 1:

Title: Student Volunteering in Social Service

**Objective of the Practice**: Student Volunteering is encouraged to develop among themselves sense of Social & Civic responsibility, utilize their knowledge in finding practical solution to individual & community problems, develop competence required for group living and sharing of responsibilities, develop capacity to meet emergencies and natural disasters and practice national integration and social harmony.

**The Context**: Volunteering connects the institutions to the society. Through community service, students gain real-world experience and practice important habits like leadership, problem-solving, and time-management. Volunteering offers students the opportunity to apply their classroom learning to practical scenarios that have real implications.

The Practice: Volunteering is encouraged through NSS, Rotaract, Youth For Seva, and Youth Red Cross committees. Each of the committees involve in around 10 activities per year. Under the guidance and supervision of the respective committees' conveners, the students indulge in community betterment activities and events to create and enhance the society we live in and raise awareness about social issues that disrupt the peace and harmony of the society. The activities conducted are cleanliness drives, awareness programmes on blood donation, eye donation, Aids, health issues, First aid etc Celebration of important days like Independence day, Youth day, Teachers day, Environment day, Women's Day etc, Volunteering in health camps and participation in rallies.

#### **Evidence of Success:**

- The college was honored with Yuvtarang –Young Changemakers Award at Udvikas Youth Conclave -2020 for its exemplary commitment to bring about positive social change in the society.
- An Appreciation letter wass issued by Pledge for life team thanking the National Service Scheme (NSS) for supporting the Spitting Kills campaign wherein NSS Volunteers created awareness among public on the issue.
- An Appreciation letter was issued by Indian Red Cross Society, Karnataka State Branch acknowledging the college for kind donation towards the North Karnataka flood affected families.

## **Problems Encountered:**

- Students find it hard to make time for volunteerism as they are tightly scheduled with their classes, internals, assignments etc in a semester.
- Lack of parent's support in encouraging their wards for volunteering.
- Lack of interest in few students as they perceive voluntary programmes as an

added burden that detracts from achieving academic goals.

Best Practice 2:

Title: Encouraging Entrepreneurship through talent Hobby club "Zest"

# **Objective of the Practice:**

- Clubs develop the talents of the students and improve their capabilities and assist them in acquiring useful knowledge and experience.
- To get the students accustomed to participating in social activities
- To give an opportunity to demonstrate time management
- To encourage entrepreneurship among the girls.

**The Context**: **Hobbies** build confidence because being good at something and learning something new **is very** rewarding. Joining a **club** or organization allows person to develop leadership skills within an environment of peers. They are a place of friendship, personal growth, and career development. They give students skills and talents that they are not able to learn or develop through normal education.

. **The Practice**: Zest, the talent hobby club creates a platform for a student to student learning. It conducts various activities throughout the year. Student with talents are recognised by the institution. The talented students train others who are interested in learning. It organizes workshops like preparation of paper flower bouquet, healthy salads and smoothies, various desserts, Quill jewellery making, silk thread jewellery making, Nail art, Conversion of old t-shirts into fashionable t-shirts, self-grooming for various occasions, Zumba etc. They learn the activities with fun and great enthusiasm.

**Evidence of Success:** All club activities enhance the student skills which in turn paves the way for them to be entrepreneurs.

- o The part time employment opportunities for learners are acquired for generating income.
- o Through these club activities, students exhibit their talents and their efforts are rightly identified. Some of the out gone students through these club activities have got self employment.
- o All the parents appreciate the club activities conducted in the college for exhibiting the talent of their daughters such as cooking, painting, grooming etc.

### **Problems Encountered:**

- Few Students though talented find it challenging to manage the crowd.
- Lack of interest in few students as they perceive club activities as an added burden that detracts from achieving academic goals.
- Procurement of all types of Resources required to conduct the workshop is challenging.