

Distinctiveness of the Institution: “Campus to Community”

Response

The Institution was established in the Year 1963 and located on Pune - Bangalore highway to cater the educational needs of the students of local and surrounding rural places. The Institution facilitates excellent infrastructure built in the campus area of 29 acres, most suitable for teaching-learning process, skill development, creativity, innovation, application for real life challenges and issues, career progression in higher education. The Institution is committed to create sustainable, eco-friendly environment in and around the campus to develop socioeconomic growth, to inculcate the values, social responsibility focusing on the Vision, Mission and Goal of the Institution.

The Institution plays a very pivotal role in transforming the younger generation to develop knowledge, capability, Creativity, innovation, skill, values, ethics, social responsibility, and team work, leadership qualities to lead, to facilitate peaceful, happy and prosperous life which is a unique distinctiveness of the Institution that is “**Campus to Community**”.

“**Campus to Community**” is an initiative of the Institution to Institutionalize the “transformation of the youth” is an integral part of the functioning of the Institution. This initiative has the following objectives.

- To support Unnath Bharat Abhiyana (UBA)
- To identify, analyze, interpret the real life challenges
- To facilitate to implement the best possible solution by adopting innovation and creativity
- To practice the values, ethics, social responsibility and tolerance
- To create and to promote the awareness, unity and integrity, woman empowerment and gender equality
- To create an awareness to eradicate social evils like ragging, sexual harassment, social abuse, use of tobacco, drugs etc.
- To campaign for the good health, Yoga, Sports, well being, cleanliness.
- To promote green campus, traditional medicinal plants, eco-friendly environment
- To promote traditional and cultural values
- To create an awareness, to practice honesty, punctuality, discipline, dedication etc.

The performance and achievement of the Institution in this aspect is distinctive

1. Adopting villages

To create a unique opportunity for the students to test, to demonstrate the problem solving techniques such as identifying, analyzing, interpreting, finding solutions,

implementation and adopting etc. for the real life challenges and issues, the Institution has facilitated to adopt the nearby five villages namely Bhukodihalli, Venkatapura, Varadahalli, Halasur and Yethnahalli.

The Head of the Institution under the able guidance of IQAC Coordinator formulate the committees and strategic plans to survey the above said villages in association with local leaders, students from each village to identify the burning issues, problems that the population of a particular village is facing, such as water supply, electricity, transport facility, conveyance, cleanliness, drainage system, toilets and washrooms, health centers etc.

The convener, members of the committee, students and local leaders identify the burning issues of that particular village with the help of the data of the survey conducted. The sub committees are formed to analyze, interpret the issues and to come out with best possible solutions along with strategic plans for the time bound implementation. The report of the committee is submitted to the concerned authorities to initiate the action plan to resolve the issues.

Our Institution has participated actively under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, a program from MHRD, Government of India from the academic year 2019-20 to resolve the burning issues of the above said five adopted villages.

2. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan

The NCC cadets, NSS volunteers, students and faculty participated in various activities, Rallies in respect of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan at various locations such as nearby Villages, KSRTC Bus terminal, Railway Station, District Hospital etc. demonstrated the process of cleanliness, created the awareness, importance of healthy and hygienic environment to lead sustained quality life.

3. NSS Camps

The Institution in collaboration with the parent university facilitates the NSS unit of the Institution to organize the NSS Special camps at nearby villages every year to facilitate the students and community to practice, to communicate the following.

- Awareness of cleanliness, hygienic environment.
- Use of washrooms and toilets especially for women community.
- Conservation and optimum use of water resources.
- Awareness of government schemes and facilities.
- Awareness in respect of financial assistance from financial, commercial Institutions.
- Maintenance of roads, gutters and drainage system of the villages.
- Organizing skits, street play and drama on traditional, cultural and folk activities to pass adequate messages.

The NSS units, NSS officers, NSS volunteers bagged the various awards and recognitions.

- NSS units-best NSS unit award (2018-19, by Government of India)
- Best NSS volunteers (2018-19, 2019-20 awarded by KUD)
- Best NSS program officer (2018-19 awarded by KUD)

4. Extension activities

The various departments, cells, NSS, NCC units, YRC, organize various extension activities and outreach programs at nearby locations and Institutions to impart the knowledge, expertise, skill, creativity and proficiency in various subjects, fields among the students and community.

5. Health checkup camps

The various cells, NSS, NCC units, YRC, organize health checkup camps, eye checkup camps, blood group detection and donation camps, Covid-19 testing camps, Covid-19 safety and awareness rallies, Vaccination camps in the Institution and nearby villages to facilitate the students, faculty and community to know the status of health, to initiate the measures to resolve various health issues leading to disease free healthy life.

6. Contribution to Prime Minister's National Relief Fund, distribution of food packets, medicine, clothes to the flood victims,

To inculcate and practice the sympathy, empathy, social values and responsibilities, the Institution facilitates the students and faculty to organize the following activities.

- Collection and contribution to various natural disasters relief fund for example, flood-landslides, Covid 19 etc.
- Distribution of medicines to the needy patients, poor population of the nearby community
- Distribution of food and clothes to the flood victims
- Distribution of blankets, clothes to the needy and old age homes
- Distribution of books, pens, pencils etc to the poor students of nearby Institutions.

7. Rallies to create awareness

The faculty, students, NSS, NCC, Cells of the Institution organize various rallies to create awareness in respect of the following.

- Road Safety measures
- Traffic awareness

- Right to Vote
- Save Water and Save Earth
- Prevention of AIDS
- Ban on Plastic
- Covid - 19 awareness and Safety
- Sadhbhavana rally
- Legal awareness rally
- Cycle Expedition for World Peace and Harmony
- Swachchata Pakhwada
- Save Girl child and Female foeticide.

8. Vermicompost

The Department of Zoology facilitates the students and faculty the importance of the use of Vermi-compost for various activities such as plantation, gardening, farming etc by demonstrating the process of preparation of vermicompost and its use in the campus.

9. Greenery Campus

The Department of Botany facilitates the students and faculty to create sustainable greenery in the campus by landscaping, lawns, medicinal plants and gardening.

10. Business Laboratory

The Department of Commerce facilitates the faculty and students to get awareness and updated knowledge by organizing the display of streaming of live stock market, live broadcast of budget sessions of parliament and assembly to realize the implications of budget, stock market on various sectors of the community.

11. Solar Energy and LED bulb campaign

The Institution arranges to install solar panels, LED bulbs and tubes in the campus to demonstrate the use of renewable sources of energy (solar) and also to reduce energy bills.

12. Audit practice: The Institution has tradition of assessing its performance by conducting various audits such as green audit, finance audit, energy audit and gender audit on regular basis.