

Best Practice 1

Title:NamamiGangeProgramme

Goals:• To sensitize the students towards their social responsibilities.

- Mass awareness generation about cleanliness of water bodies and environment

Context :The Government of India focused on to create the higher educational institutions as instrument of social changes about cleanliness of water bodies and environment. In this context College started Namami Gange Programme with funding of Govt. of India.

Practices: Namami Ganga started with Prime Minister Modi saying, "It is my destiny to serve mother Ganga" after being elected to Parliament from Varanasi on the banks of Ganga in Uttar Pradesh in May 2014, because it was his dream that the country was in great need of clean water of clean water and the Ganga river is not only cultural and spiritual, but 40% of country's population is dependent on the river Ganga. To implement this vision, the government launched an integrated Ganga Conservation Mission named Namami Gange to eliminate pollution of river Ganga and revive the river. Therefore cleaning of Ganga becomes an economic agenda. According to Office Programme Director, State Project Management Group, Namami Gange, Dehradun, Uttarakhand, letter no.136 dated 109/02/2020, on 06/08/2021,a meeting was convened under the chairmanship of the Principal in which the outline of the programme was prepared therefore a committee of teachers was formed to implement the programme. Committee started sensitizing the students of the college and mass awareness among the public and in the nearby villages about cleanliness of water bodies and environment through the following

Activities:• Signature campaigns,

- wall painting competition
- Workshops.
- Rallies
- Lectures
- Play competitions
- Poster and Slogan competition
- Quiz Competition
- Symposium
- Nukkad Natak
- Cleanliness within and beyond the campus
- Plantation
- Ganga festival
- Candle lightening at the bank of river Gaula and place of Chath Puja.

The Indira Priyadarshini Government Post Graduate Commerce College, Haldwani organized a 3-day wall painting competition, as a part of Namami Gange campaign. The students enthusiastically participated in the competition, despite the hot summer. The paintings depicted various topics, ranging from water conservation, life conservation, forest conservation, unity, integrity to Kumaoni culture. The students' creativity and enthusiasm was commendable, as they used their painting skills to express their thoughts and ideas on the walls. It was a great initiative by the college to promote awareness about the Namami Gange campaign and the students' participation was truly inspiring.

Problems Encountered:

- Transportation of students to Gaula river and place of Chath Puja.
- The people from the nearby areas come to the banks of the river Gaula, to defecate, have to be stopped.

Best Practice 2 :

Title: 10 days National Adventure Camp at Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied sports, Macload Ganj, Himanchal Pradesh (23rd September to 2nd October 2022).

Goals:

- To enhance the personality of the students
- To develop the confidence and patience in the students

Context :

A National adventure camp is organized every year at Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports, Macload Ganj, Himanchal Pradesh for National Service Scheme. Twenty volunteers of NSS from different colleges and universities were selected from each State. The feelings of National integrity and understanding of the cultures of different States is developed among the volunteers through this camp. The camp also develops team building, leadership, communications, and oratory skills among the volunteers.

Uttarakhand state is a disaster-prone state. There are forest fires during the summer season and landslides, mudslides during the rainy season and snowfall on the mountains. This National Camp builds capacity within the youth to deal with such situations.

Practice:Two students of the college namely, Indira Divydarshini B.A, IInd year and Harshita Gunwant B.Sc.IInd year were selected for the camp. N.S.S. Officer in-charge of the college Dr. Vibha Pandey was selected as a team manager (female) for Uttarakhand State.

Ten volunteers from different colleges of Kumaun division gathered at Haldwani bus station and other ten volunteers from different colleges of Garhwal region met at Haridwar railway station with other team manager (male).The whole team reached the destination by the train and bus.

Activities:

- Collaboration with J&K volunteers and their team managers
- 65 Kilometers trekking
- 9325 feet mountaineering
- Rippling
- Mountain climbing
- River crossing
- Tent making
- Camping for two days
- Rescue training
- Training of different types of Rope knots used in trekking and rescue.
- Cultural programmes

It was the new experience for the volunteers as well as the team managers. Team was thrilled and full of enthusiasm while participating in all the activities and successfully completed all the tasks given by the instructors of the institute.

Problems Encountered:

- Transportation of the team
- Health issues faced by the volunteers during camp.
- Weather