

Best Practice-I

Financial Aid to Economically Disadvantaged Students in Open Category:

The college is situated in the heart of city and is easily accessible to students coming from remote villages which are approximately 20 to 80 kilometers away from Surat. The students coming from these remote rural areas, hail from very mediocre families. It should be noted that the government grant covers only SC, ST and OBC category and hence students in open category do not get any financial aid. Government has started reservation for EWS students recently without financial aid.

The college is following this noble practice of giving financial aid to economically disadvantaged students in open category **since forty years**.

Objective:

- To provide an equal opportunity to financially disadvantaged section students from open category.
- To help them to survive with respect and dignity which enhance their employability for life time.

The context

The college has identified need to provide financial aid to students who are from open category coming from economically disadvantaged section. Since there is no provision of any financial aid to open category students and remain neglected part for years together so we establish a healthy tradition to provide financial aid to needy and desirous to get education. For this purpose we utilise Student Teacher Welfare Fund. This fund is meant for welfare of both the students and teachers but the teachers waive their share to help more nos. of students. Out of the total strength of students, numerous students require financial aid in the open category. The institution has formed a transparent system to allocate funds from Student Teachers welfare fund. The uniform policy is followed where each applicant has to fill the form and has to attach proof of income below Rs.1, 50,000/- p.a.

The Practice

- Every year a notice is put up asking students from the open category whose parents have income equal or below Rs.1, 50,000/-p.a. to apply for aid.

They have to submit the application form along with the proof of the income of their parents. A committee which comprises of teachers scrutinizes the applications and decides the amount to be given to students. The college has always given financial aid to every student who has applied so far. No eligible students have been denied this aid. Also, it is noteworthy that the financial aid is also given to children of staff members.

- The uniqueness of the practice is that the institution reimburses a pro rata amount to each student falling under this category.
- This healthy practice ensures that a student completes graduation which will help enhance the opportunity for employment.

Evidence of success

Imbibing the philosophy of "*Sarva Siksha Abhiyan*", this year the college aided **363 students** in the open category. In totality, the amount reimbursed was **Rs.3, 96, 600/-**-which is a significant move towards aiding economically disabled students in the open category.

Year	Girls	Boys	Total	Total Amount
2021-22	195	168	363	Rs.3,96,600/-

Problems encountered and resources required:

- Being a Grant in Aid College with limited amount of funds and a greater number of economically disadvantaged students, the total amount of fees is not reimbursed. A pro rata amount is refunded to each student who applies in the open category.
- As a healthy long term practice the college wishes to refund the fees in totality to all the applicants.

Notes

Other institution can also adopt this practice and help the students who belong to the open category.

2. National Social Scheme

The motto of NSS “Not Me but You” reflects the essence of democratic living and upholds the need for self-less service. NSS helps the students develop appreciation to other person’s point of view and show consideration to other living beings.

❖ Objectives

- To understand the community in which the students work
- To understand themselves in relation to their community
- To develop among themselves a sense of social and civic responsibility
- To utilise their knowledge in finding practical solution to individual and community problems
- To gain skills in mobilising community participation
- To acquire leadership qualities and democratic attitude
- To develop capacity to meet emergencies and natural disasters
- To practice national integration and social harmony

❖ The Context: The NSS is a major activity intended to engage the volunteers of colleges in community services on a voluntary basis. Through the activities under NSS build sense of social responsibility. The students of the college work in rural areas, adopted village names Talad which is 20 k.m away from Surat to the serving the cause of society through survey, education, and health awareness programme.

❖ The Practice:

The college has four units of 100 students each. To inculcate the attitude of service the college NSS team coordinators and volunteers always on front through various activities like tree plantation, awareness rally and seminars, Blood donation Camp, Oath taking for Organ Donation, cloth distributions to needy, festival celebration with differently abled children, Cleanliness drive, health check-up, annual camp, Beti Bachao Beti Padhao drive.

Evidence of Success

Sr. no.	Name of Activity	Date	Name of resource person and guest lecture	Agency / Institution Involved	Girls	Boys	Number of Students Participated
1	Dandi March well come programme at Dindoli	2-4-2021	Team of Dandi March	Govt. of Gujarat	20	30	50
2	Tree Plantation Programme	14-6-2021	Principal	Sir. K.P.College of commerce	85	65	150_
3	International Yoga Day	21-6-2021	Yoga expert		40	30	70
4	Organ Donation	5-8-2021	Organ donation Society	Organ donation Society	35	40	80
5	Pre RDC -1 Selection Camp, Ahemdabad	4.21to24-9-21	Selection members of PRE RDCamp-1	Vidhay Pith Ahemdabad	02	01	03
6	Pre-RDC-2 slection camp -Jalgoun (Mharastra)	12-10-21 to21-10-21	Selection members of Pre - RDCamp-2	Jalgaon (Mharastra)	01	-	01
7	Poster competition	16-10-2021	Sir K. P. College of Commerce	NSS officers	15	25	40
8	Organic khater hut	26-27-28 nov.2021	Sir K .P. College garden	NSS students and Programme Officers	-	03+2	05
9	Medical check-up programme	17-12-2021	Medical Team	Medical Team	75	50	125
10	Army chif. Bipin Ravat shadhanjali programm	9-12-21	Sk pcc	Progrmmme officer	80	100	180

11	Corona Vaccination programme	28-9-21	Sir k.p .college of commerce	Surat Municipal Corporation Medical Team	65	85	150
12	New voter I-D Issue and voter list correction programme	26-28 - nov. 21	SMC Officer	SMC staff NSS prog. officer	68	77	145
13	Debates and poster - 3 online	15-10-21	SKPCC	By nss officers	01	01	02
14	Letter to Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi	17-9-21	Gujrat Govt.	Students and NSS officer	100	100	200
15	Drug Awareness Programme	4-10-21	Drug Department		30	50	80
16	Use And Benefits of Organic Products	20 12-21	Gurang Desai	Shree Devang Desai	130	70	200
17	Tree Plantation of Organic Plant	24-11-21	SKPCC Organic garden	NSS students and Programme Officers	20	10	30
18	Geru Painting on tree to save trees from pastes	20-21-11-21	SKPCC garden	NSS students	30	20	50
19	75 Suryanamskar31-2-22to 7-3-22	22to 7-3-2022	Online up load on www. 75 Surya namaskar	NSS students	40	35	75
20	Voter day Celebration	25 -1-22	Govt.of Gujarat	NSS students and nss staff	45	35	80
21	Online voter awareness slogan	25-2-22 to 03-03-22	Online upload	students	10	10	20
22	Basti seva survey in Surat	25—2-22to 4-3-22	34 – slam area Surat	Nss students and officers	40	30	70
23	Azadi ka Amrutsov panch prakalp	Azaadi ka Amruto sv Year-2021-22	Panch prakalp	Govt. Of Gujarat	01-oordi nater Per team-5 mem bers		31
24	Disaster Management Training	14-3-22 to 25-3-22	Valiya Bharuch	NSS students	25	25	50
25	NIC 2	20 2	Karnataka	Dharwad	02		02

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❖ **Problems Encountered:** Since N.S.S. is a government sponsored scheme, it suffers from financial crunch.

❖ **Resources:** The most important resource required is the human resource, teachers, active students' participation and monetary resources.