

7.2.1 Two Best Practices implemented by the institution during 2020-21

BEST PRACTICE: A

Title of the Practice: Inter –College Online Poster Presentation & Essay Writing Competition

Objectives of the Practice: i) To promote the spirit of friendship, mutual understanding, cooperation among students

ii) To cultivate potential skills and creative ability among students

The Context: To sustain the practice of promoting friendship, mutual cooperation, and environmental consciousness among undergraduate colleges of Kolkata, an online Inter-College Poster & Essay Competition was organised on World Environment Day.

The Practice: Students from neighbouring Colleges were invited to participate in the online Poster Presentation & Essay Writing Competition, the themes being “Mangroves & Environment related issues” and “Restoration of Bio-Diversity” respectively. 60 entries were received from different Colleges, out of which 19 were awarded e-certificates and cash prizes transferred online.

Evidence of success: The large number of entries for Poster Presentation and Essay writing from several Colleges was itself an evidence of the success. Besides, the Principals of several participating Colleges also praised this endeavour of Netaji Nagar Day College.

Problems Encountered & Resources Required: The competition being online, the judgement took time involving patience and hard work on the part of judges. Fund allocation was needed to give cash prizes to the winners.

BEST PRACTICE: B

Title of the Practice: Outreach activities in the pandemic situation

Objectives of the Practice: i) To reach out to those in need in the neighbourhood during pandemic situation.

ii) To inculcate the habit of community service among students.

The Context: In pandemic situation, volunteers from the Students’ Union reached out for serving the distressed in the neighbourhood by i) helping COVID 19 patients, ii) supplying cooked food to pavement dwellers.

The Practice: i) 05 Oxygen cylinders and 01 oxygen concentrator were procured and supplied free of cost to patients requiring oxygen support in the neighbourhood, during the period of severe crisis of oxygen cylinders.

ii) Cooked food was supplied to pavement dwellers of neighbouring areas for several days during the severity of the pandemic.

Evidence of success: The procurement of oxygen cylinders during severe crisis and carrying the same to the doorsteps of patients, and supplying cooked food to pavement dwellers, involved hard work and sincere efforts of the Students' Union, despite the risk of getting infected.

Problems Encountered & Resources Required: Procurement of oxygen cylinders proved very difficult during the crisis. Premium price had to be paid for them. The risk of student volunteers getting infected by corona virus was very high.