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#### **Best Practice – 1**

**1. Title of the Practice** 

## **Voting Awareness Program**

#### 2. Objectives of the Practice

The objective of this program is to:

- Raise awareness among students about the significance of voting as a fundamental democratic right and responsibility.
- Foster active participation in the democratic process, empowering students to contribute meaningfully to the nation.
- Cultivate a sense of civic duty and responsibility towards community welfare.

#### 3. The Context

The goal of higher education transcends imparting academic knowledge; it aims to create an environment where students can develop a sense of responsibility towards society. Through this, they can appreciate the importance of participating in activities that contribute to societal welfare.

Voting is not just a right; it is a collective responsibility that upholds the spirit of democracy. However, given our college's location in a remote, tribal, and Naxal-affected region, there has historically been low trust in the democratic process. This initiative seeks to address this skepticism. Over time, our Voting Awareness Program has successfully encouraged people in the region to value their right to vote, thereby instilling belief in the democratic system.

#### 4. The Practice

This program has been implemented in the institution for several years, with active support from the district administration. The core activities of the program include:

- Registering 200-250 new voters annually from among the college students.
- Encouraging these students to spread awareness in surrounding areas, particularly in remote communities.
- Organizing various events to emphasize the importance of voting, such as:
  - Cycle rallies
  - Rangoli competitions
  - Speeches and debates
  - Essay writing competitions
    These initiatives aim to engage students and the broader community in understanding the critical role of voting in shaping the future of the nation.

#### 5. Evidence of Success

The program has achieved significant success, as evidenced by:

- Enthusiastic participation not only from college students but also from students of nearby schools.
- Greater awareness within the local community about the importance of voting, leading to increased trust in democracy.

- A marked rise in voter turnout in the region, reflecting the program's impact.
- Students actively participating in securing voter ID cards upon reaching the age of 18, signifying their commitment to civic responsibility.

The consistent increase in voter participation is a testament to the program's effectiveness in fostering democratic values among students and the community.

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### Women Empowerment and Employment Generation Awareness Program

#### 2. Objectives of the Practice

The primary objectives of this program are to:

- Raise awareness among students about the multidimensional aspects of women's empowerment and employment opportunities in the region.
- Enable students to understand the significance of gender equality and economic independence for the progress of individuals, families, and society.
- Provide knowledge and motivation for women to actively contribute to societal development.

#### 3. The Context

The goal of higher education is to go beyond academic knowledge by fostering a sense of community responsibility among students. It is crucial to cultivate awareness about societal issues and equip students to play an active role in addressing them.

In this context, our institution emphasizes empowering women and generating employment opportunities as a means of improving the quality of life in the region. This is especially significant in our area, which faces challenges related to gender inequality and limited employment options.

To achieve this, the college organizes conferences, meetings, and awareness sessions. Distinguished professionals from relevant fields, such as the District Women and Child Development Officer, members of the District Women's Commission, and the District Employment and Program Officer, are regularly invited to interact with students. These experts provide valuable insights and inspire students to work towards women's empowerment and economic development.

#### 4. The Practice

The program focuses on educating students and the local community about various initiatives undertaken by the Central Government, State Government, and District Administration. The key elements include:

- Detailed information about government programs, their objectives, and the benefits they offer.
- Guidance on how these initiatives are connected to the lives of common people and how they can positively impact society.
- Regular interaction sessions where students learn from experts and gain practical insights into women's empowerment and employment generation.
- Encouraging participation in activities such as:
  - Workshops and seminars on self-reliance and skill development.
  - Awareness campaigns promoting gender equality and financial independence.
  - Platforms for showcasing and nurturing the talents of girl students.

#### 5. Evidence of Success

The success of the program is evident from the following outcomes:

- Increased awareness among girl students about their rights, duties, and roles in society and at home.
- Empowerment of students to explore their potential and contribute to the community.
- Many female students have successfully pursued careers in various fields such as teaching, social work, and women support groups, both within and outside their villages.
- Enhanced participation of women in society, leading to greater recognition of their roles in family and community decision-making.
- A noticeable improvement in economic awareness and financial independence among women in the region.

Through these initiatives, our college has become a platform for nurturing talent and empowering women, fostering a culture of equality, self-reliance, and social contribution.

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