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BEST PRACTICES OF THE COLLEGE

BEST PRACTICE- 1

1. Title of the Practice: Assistance to senior citizens through Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY)

2. Objectives of the Practice:

It is our duty and social commitment to help the nearby community. The objectives of this bestpractice are :

1. To encourage families to take care of their elderly members
2. To provide care and protection to the vulnerable elderly people
3. To provide physical aids and assisted-living tools to senior citizens

Sticking to this program, Arts, Commerce and Science College, Satral has always been engaged with community, in various ways to reach every human being no matter how far out of the way they are.

3. The Context:

Senior citizens are the treasure for our society. They are a link of past, present and future. According to Population Census 2011, there are nearly 10.38 cr of elderly persons in India. They tend to be more dependent on others for support. Keeping in view of such circumstances, the governments has initiated many schemes to make the lives of senior citizens better and happy. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment introduced the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY) scheme to provide assisted-living devices and physical aids for senior citizens belonging to the Below Poverty Line (BPL) category. The RVY scheme was launched as a dream project by Hon'ble Shri. Narendra Modi on 1st April 2017.

4 The Practice:

On the occasion of 75th Amrit-Mahotsav of independent INDIA, a camp series was arranged in Ahmednagar district under supervision of Hon'ble Dr. Sujay Vikhe Patil (Member of Parliament, India). In this camp series, eligible elderly people were given physical aids and assisted-living tools.

Features of RVY: -

- The physical aids, equipment, or assisted-living devices are distributed free of cost to all the beneficiaries.
- In case a person has more than one disability, more than one device is provided to the beneficiary.
- The ALIMCO provides free maintenance of physical aids and assisted-living equipment for one year.
- The beneficiaries in every district will be identified by the respective state government or UT Administration through a committee headed by the District Collector or Deputy Commissioner.
- As far as possible, 30% of the beneficiaries in every district will be women.
- The equipment will be distributed through camps.
- The number of devices provided to each beneficiary family will depend on the number of beneficiaries in the family.
- The equipment will be provided to each beneficiary only after a doctor's examination.

Eligibility Criteria under RVY: -

The assisted living devices under the RVY scheme are provided to the persons who fulfill all the conditions provided below:

- Senior citizens, i.e. persons more than 60 years.
- Belonging to the BPL category.
- Having a monthly income/pension of less than Rs. 15,000.
- Suffering from age-related disability or infirmity, such as low vision, loss of teeth, hearing impairment and Loco motor Disability.

Devices Provided under the RVY: -

Under the RVY Scheme, the following assisted living devices are provided to the beneficiaries:

- Walking sticks.
- Walkers or crutches.
- Elbow crutches.
- Tripods or quad pods.
- Artificial dentures.
- Wheelchairs.
- Hearing aids.
- Spectacles.

Proof of BPL status, such as a certificate from the district authority for eligibility, BPL ration card, proof of receiving an old-age pension under the Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS) or any other pension scheme of the state/UT for senior citizens belonging to BPL category required for the getting benefit of the scheme and certificate from the medical officer regarding hearing impairment, loss of vision, loss of teeth or Locomotor Disability requiring the use of a wheelchair is also required.

Implementation of RVY:-

- The eligible beneficiaries under this scheme are selected from the registered applicants on the Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO) Mitra application. The ALIMCO identifies beneficiaries through the assessment camps organized in collaboration with the district administration or state government.
- The identified beneficiaries are given the assisted-living devices in the camp mode, i.e. the devices are distributed in the distribution camps organized in the selected districts. Assisted-living devices are provided at the doorsteps of senior citizens aged 80 years or more.

Most of the elderly people live in villages and nearly half are of poor socioeconomic status. They are dependent upon their families. The major problems that they face are lack of economic provisions, poor health conditions, lack of

emotional support and illness. They feel neglected not only at home but in the society because of their age. As a result, they become physically and mentally weak. They need love and proper care. Keeping this view in mind, a group of students of Arts, Commerce and Science College, Satral conducted a survey on “The Impact of ‘Vayoshri Yojana’ and Senior Citizens”. The students from Economics and Commerce are selected for the survey. With the help of their teachers, they prepared a questionnaire and interviewed the beneficiaries. The students also observed the function of Vayoshri Yojana’ and the volunteers teaching and non-teaching staff of our college. The students asked different questions on socio-cultural conditions in related to the ‘Vayoshri Yojana’. Most of the respondents answered positively after getting living devices to them in the camps in Pravara Region and out of the region. They expressed gratitude and thanks to Honourable Hon’ble Dr. Sujay Vikhe Patil and Shri Radhakrishna Vikhe Patil for providing such devices through the ‘Vayoshri Yojana. This success story of the ‘Vayoshri Yojana’ motivated our students. More students especially girls wished to render their services to the elderly people through the camps in future.

5. Evidence of success:

- 17 volunteers including teaching, non-teaching staff and students voluntarily participated in the 8 camps scheduled in Ahmednagar and provided their services for distributing living devices to the beneficiaries.
- Out of 20000 senior citizens 6000 beneficiaries are counseled and verified their documents.
- Created awareness among them and distributed physical aids and assisted-living tools.
- Volunteers helped them in terms of transportations from their home to camp place.
- Super senior citizens (above 80 years old) are provided physical aids and tools at their home place by the volunteers.
- A survey on an impact of Vayoshri Yojana conducted by students and 80% senior citizens found satisfied.
- Social awareness created among staff and students.
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6. Problems encountered and resources required:

- Spreading awareness among the beneficiaries regarding benefits of camp services being provided.
- Lack of documentation for getting living devices.
- Online registration of beneficiaries was quiet difficult to rural senior citizens.



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I/c Principal

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Distribution of Useful Gazettes for Senior Citizens & Divyangjan in Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY)



Document verification of seniors citizens



Mr. R. K. Pote at the distribution counter

Dr. B.N. Navale distributing equipments



Maintaining discipline at the camp

Assisting beneficiaries by the staff



Document verification and equipment distribution



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BEST PRACTICE-2

1. Title of the Practice: Social Commitment through '*Snehalaya*'

Volunteers of the college are providing selfless services as a social commitment through *Snehalaya*. Our students have actively involved and rendering their services to the local community. The objectives of the best practice are as follows:

2. Objectives: -

- To create social awareness.
- To inculcate interests about social work.
- To change the mindset of the society.

3. Context:

- Girish Kulkarni founded '*Snehalaya*' in 1989 in Ahmednagar.
- It is a unique non-profit, charitable, philanthropic, non-political, well-diversified social service organization.
- It is dedicated to serve the most neglected and exploited class of our society, primarily women & children Victims of Commercial Sexual Exploitation and human Trafficking (VCSET). *Snehalaya* is registered with the United Nations (UNODC).
- *Snehalaya*'s efforts through its multi-faceted projects from the grass-root levels, has had tremendous socio-economic & health impact by improving the lives of thousands of suffering women & children affected by the direct or indirect consequences of human trafficking including victims of sexploitation, slavery, HIV/AIDS, rape, unwanted pregnancies addictions, child labour, street children, abused/under-privileged children, physically-challenged children, slum-dwellers, unwed mothers etc.

4. The Practice:

- Slowly but gradually, a number of students and teachers of our college have attracted towards this organization.
- 150 students and 25 teachers raised a small fund on the eve of Diwali festival and presented gifts as a token of love so that happiness on children's faces in 'Snehalaya' we could see.
- The 'Snehalaya' organized Street Play Competition on "Rights of Women and Children and Indian Constitution" in Ahmednagar. 11 students from our college participated in the competition and won 2nd prize including memento, certificates and cash prize of Rs. 5000-/-.
- On the occasion of 'Azadi Ka Amrutmohastav', 5 students of our college were participated.
- Mr. Khatekar Prashant Subhash, Mr. Belkar Aniket Sanjay, Miss. Kadam Priti, Miss. Shirsath Priti and Mr. Palghadmal Pankaj Sanjay actively participated in 29th Goodwill camp during 22 to 26 January 2022 at Isalak in Ahmednagar. In this camp students rendered service for others students in the camp like serving food bringing vegetables from market cleaning environment doing counseling encouraging students from other states for social service etc.

5. Evidence of success:

- Five students participated in 28th youth encouragement Udan labour camp at Isalak in Ahmednagar. The camp was organized to special focus on child marriage. Mr. Aniket Sanjay Belkar and Mr. Prashant Subhash Khatekar got inspired and reported to the police for stopping child marriages through snehalay.
- Mr. Khatekar Prashant Subhash and Mr. Belkar Aniket Sanjay motivated and became volunteers to render their services to this great mission. They collected information of *Udan Campaign* for stopping child marriage where they emotionally attached.
- They actively participated in **street play** organized by *Udan Campaign* in Ahmednagar. It had a great impact of stopping child marriages.
- Our students also participated in *Sadbhavana Shibir* under Youth Inspiration Project in Mauli old age home and observed Roti Day in spite of valentine's day on 14th February 2022.

6. Problems encountered and resources required:

The challenges students faced is many and varied. Some of them are:

- To change the mindset of the society.
- Negative approach of the society.
- Proper training and a positive mindset of the society.



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Best Practices ACS College's

Sweet Diwali for Orphans



Distributing Gifts and Sweets to the Orphan Children



Street Play on Social Awareness



Received Prize for Street Play

Celebrating Diwali with Orphan Children



Cleanliness Program in Udan Camp



Participation in 29th Sadbhavana Shibir



Appeal to staff and student for collecting fund

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