

## **Indira Institute of Pharmacy, Sadavali**

### **Best Practice-1**

**1. Title of the Practice:** Promotion of the students from the rural area to become competent pharmacists.

### **2. Objectives of the Practice**

- To sensitize the students of the rural area about career opportunities and admission process in Pharmacy.
- To provide financial support to the students from the rural area.
- To assist the students to avail various scholarships and freeships from the government and private trusts.
- To prepare the students for the various competitive examinations.
- To imbibe research culture among the students.

### **3. The Context**

- In this practice, the institute organizes career counselling programmes to sensitize the HSC (10+2) students about the career opportunities in the field of Pharmacy and process of admission to Pharmacy course.
- The students are unaware about the various scholarships and freeships available from the Government of Maharashtra and private trusts.
- The economically weaker students face hardship in paying their tuition fees.
- The aspiring students face difficulty in the online admission process of the DTE due to interruption/ inaccessibility of the internet connectivity in the rural areas. The students of Sangameshwar taluka had to travel to district place i.e. Ratnagiri for online admission process and verification of documents.
- As the institute is located in the rural area, the students face hardships to avail coaching for competitive examinations.
- The rural students with innovative thinking need platform to excel themselves in the research areas.

### **4. The Practice**

- The institute has its core team to provide career counselling and admission process details to the students of different junior science colleges of Konkan region every year during October to December.
- During career counselling, the students have apprised off various scholarships and freeships available from the Government of Maharashtra and private trusts.
- The institute offers a concession in tuition fees to the needy students since inception.
- The institute assists the students for online admission process by serving as the DTE approved facilitation center.
- The institute provides guidance and specialized coaching for examinations like GPAT by conducting in-house classes as well as deputing students for coaching at reputed organizations.
- The institute has research policy to enable the interested students to approach the research committee. The committee in its meeting decides allocation of students as per their area of interest

in the research. The research policy also has a provision for providing registration and/or travelling allowance to the students for presenting their research work in conferences/seminar and poster competitions.

### **5. Evidence of Success**

- The institute organized career counselling programmes are able to attract students from rural areas and the trend has been increasing every year.
- The admitted students have been availed various scholarships and freeships available from the Government of Maharashtra and private trusts. The details of scholarships/freeships availed from the Government of Maharashtra for the AY 2018-19 by the students are as follows:

<b>Scheme name</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>	<b>Amount in Rupees</b>
SC Freeship	9	548998.00
SC Scholarship	9	554907.00
ST Freeship	2	128545.00
ST Scholarship	2	128000.00
OBC Freeship	17	529973.00
OBC Scholarship	41	1226482.00
NT Freeship	9	535875.00
NT Scholarship	17	1015841.00
SBC Freeship	0	0.00
SBC Scholarship	1	60310.00

### **6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required**

- The institute faces hardship in seeking permission from the Junior Science Colleges for delivering lectures on career counselling and admission process.
- The Government of Maharashtra does not disburse the scholarships and freeships in a time bound manner.
- The students are reluctant to enroll in the coaching classes in spite of proposed concession in the coaching fees.
- The difficulty in tapping funds from funding agencies.

**7. Notes:** Nil.

## **Best practice-2**

**1. Title of the Practice:** Promotion of social activities and health awareness programmes in the rural areas through UBA and NSS unit of the institute.

### **2. Objectives of the Practice**

- To counsel the people of the rural area about communicable diseases and its treatment.
- To sensitize the people of the rural area regarding hygiene.
- To create health awareness among the rural population.
- To enrich women empowerment.
- To create awareness about ill effects of tobacco and alcohol addiction.
- To contribute for rural development through required technological intervention.

### **3. The Context**

- The people of the rural area are poorly educated about the various communicable diseases and their management.
- The rural people fail to maintain the proper hygienic conditions that might raise various health issues.
- The women related issues like female feticide, reproductive diseases, menstrual hygiene and domestic violence are increasing day by day.
- Rampant consumption of tobacco and alcohol disturbs the social harmony and health conditions.

### **4. The Practice**

- The institute is actively involved in the various health awareness programmes through the UBA and NSS unit. The institute ensure the involvement of the community in its health awareness programme in the following manner:
  - The UBA coordinator and the NSS programme officer of the institute approach the community representatives, to ensure the mass participation of the local population in the health awareness programmes.
  - The NSS programme officer conducts a meeting with the community representatives along with the residents.
  - The details of the programmes are displayed on the notice board of Grampanchayat office.
  - The campaigning of programme is carried out by displaying banners and distribution of pamphlets door to door by the NSS volunteers.
- In the awareness programme, the unit conducts health checkup, which includes various parameters such as blood group detection, blood pressure, blood sugar, hemoglobin and body mass index. In the case of abnormal parameters, the NSS team refers the concerned person to the physician.
- Through the UBA activities, the institute has completed household and village survey in the cluster of five adopted villages by interacting with rural people. The key issues are identified and notified to the gram panchyat and district collectorate for the discussion. After the thorough discussion, the village development plan was prepared and will be submitted to the IIT, Delhi for the approval and sanction of the grant.

## 5. Evidence of Success

Title of the Activities	Organizing unit/ agency/ collaborating agency	Number of teachers coordinated such activities	Number of students participated in such activities
Village and household survey	Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, MHRD, New Delhi	7	73
Blood donation camp	NSS Unit, Shree Swami Samarth Blood Bank Chipun	4	32
Free HIV AIDS checking camp	NSS unit, Primary Health Unit Devrukh	4	15
Free Health Check up camp	NSS unit, Primary Health Unit Devrukh	4	15
Blood group detection camp at Z.P. School, Sakhrapa	NSS unit, Primary Health Unit Devrukh	4	15

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Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, MHRD, New Delhi	IIT Delhi & MHRD	Village and household survey at 5 adopted villages	7	73
HIV AIDS Awareness: Know your status	Primary Health Unit	Awareness rally	4	50

## 6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required

- Seeking permission from the concerned village authority.
- Poor response from the targeted population on the stipulated time and date.
- Academic schedule of the student volunteer and the concern faculty is hampered.

7. Notes: Nil.