

## **Best Practice - 1**

**Title of the Practice:** felicitation to retired warriors

### **1. Objectives of the Practice:**

- To create awareness about Indian army values and regimental tradition.
- To develop the sense of self discipline, secular outlook, dedication and an organised way of working, be it at home or in their workplace or in their day-to-day life.
- To instill the sense of unity integrity patriotism and nationalism among the students.
- To prepare students understand the hard disciplined motivated and dedicated life of soldiers.

The expected outcome of this practice is that the students should be able to join their hands in nation building by overcoming all the limitations in life and achieving their dreams.

### **2. The Context:**

There is a higher need in the society to understand Indian army values and army traditions. In this knowledge era, the students want to develop the sense of self discipline, secular outlook, dedication and an organized way of thinking. This practice helps the students to develop the sense of unity integrity and patriotism. It also helps the students to respect and honour soldiers who have come to their native lands after putting their harnessed service for the nation. Most of the retired soldiers are neglected both by the government and public. The practice is made to protect the dignity and honor of retired soldiers. Our students, teachers and public are motivated to serve the nation in their respective capacities. All our past and present students take a leading role in organizing this function. Thus, this function fosters the sense of responsibility and leadership qualities among the students. Whenever students witness this function, they too are motivated to serve the nation better. keeping these points in mind our institution has started this practice.

### **3. The Practice:**

As the most of the retired soldiers are neglected by the government and public the need of protecting their dignity and honor was felt by the Alumni of our institution and Friends' Group, Hungund. The Alumni and

the Friends' group have started to chalk out the programme. The programme was planned to be organized on 15th August 2021 i.e., Independence Day. As per the plan felicitation programme for retired army warriors was organised in our college on 15th August 2021 on the eve of 75th Diamond Jubilee India's independence.

The retired soldiers Shri. Amaresh Yadahalli, Shri. Sangamesh Manneral, Shri. Andanappa Cholachagudd and Shri. Ningappa Ramwadagi were honoured. The retired warriors shared their experience as the soldiers. They expressed their feelings and told that they were endlessly engaged in the talk of progression of the society and nation building. The programme highlighted the necessity of memorizing farmers, parents, teachers and warriors. All the teaching, non-teaching staff, members of Alumni, Friends' Group, relatives of warriors and students were present on the occasion. The warriors motivated all the students to have army values and traditions.

This best practice has created congenial atmosphere among the students to achieve best in their life. The practice is a boost both for students, teachers and friends.

The warriors always continue to be a great source of motivation for all especially students. Their uniform, disciplined & dedicated life inspire the youths of the nation. The warriors are backbone of our nation. Army is a family i.e., unique and the biggest asset of our nation. Thus, this best practice has become a unique in our institution. The function motivates the students to join the army.

The Alumni and Friends, Group have experienced various constraints & limitations while bringing this into practice. They are as follows;

1. Identifying the retired warriors from our taluka.
2. Time management to conducting the activity of this programme.
3. Contacting the members of Alumni & Friends' Group who are residing at various places.
4. Mobilizing the fund.

#### **4. Evidence of Success:**

The function on 'Felicitation to Retired Warriors' under Alumni and Friends' Group has achieved a grand success. All the teaching, non-teaching staff, students, members of Alumni and Friends' Group have

participated in the function very enthusiastically. It has totally changed the attitudes of all participants. The function has successfully made all the participants industrious, studious and conscious of their duties and works towards society. The practice motivates the students to develop the sense of responsibility, commitment, service mindedness, integrity, leadership qualities, harmony, skills, unity, patriotism and nationalism. We feel proud to say that some of our NCC cadets are appointed in the Indian Army. Thus, they join their hands in defending our country. This practice has ignited the innate urge of the students. The practice is an Endeavour to give dignity and respect to veterans (retired warriors) and their families for what they have done for the nation and the Indian Army. The practice also helps to have insight into the successful use of knowledge and experience of these ex-army servicemen. Keeping these points in mind our institution has decided to continue this practice which will give the opportunities to learn more about Indian army culture and values.

The following is the list of students who have been appointed in the Indian army during the year.2020-21;

#### **5. Problems Encountered and Resources Required:**

- The Alumni and Friends' Group initially faced the problem of identifying the retired warriors. The members of Alumni and Friends' Group were in touch with warriors as they had been the students of our institution. The warriors were invited as they got retirement from their service.
- It was decided in the meeting the function is to be arranged at 3.00 pm after the flag hoisting in the morning in 15th August 2021.
- The members of Alumni and Friends' Group are contacted through WhatsApp, Telegram groups and phone calls.
- This practice is funded by the institution and members of Alumni and Friends' Group.

To continue this practice in future our college needs funds. The Alumni of our college will provide the resources required.



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Felicitation to retired warriors



Retired warriors with Alumni

## Best Practice - 2

### 1. Title of the Practice: "Green Library"

The college VMKSRV Arts, Science and V.S. Bellihal Commerce College is located in Hungund in the northern district of Karnataka. The area is an arid zone and receives only 711.5mm of average rainfall per annum. The summer season starts from March and extends till May. During these two months the weather turns very dry and uncomfortable in the town and in the college.

The daily foot-falls in the library are average 100 to 150 students; during summer seasons students are more willing to sit and read beneath the trees which are located in front of the library. But the trees are very few.

Considering the students' opinion and interest; the Librarian has started the implementation of more green cover around the Library, ultimately that becomes "Green Library".

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

1. *To plant more trees those provide shade.*
2. *To provide comfortable reading space for students beneath the trees.*
3. *To develop lush green, hygienic, eco-friendly environment.*
4. *To create awareness among the students about environmental sustainability.*

## **3. The Context:**

The world's need for environmental sustainability is increasing with the adverse impact of deforestation, climate change and global warming, which is caused by the growing population and modern lifestyles. The need to incorporate eco-friendly ways of producing and consuming as well as efficient use of energy, water, and natural resources is imperative for our survival and future wellbeing.

The education sector apart from imparting knowledge and reshaping society by creating awareness has taken several initiatives towards contributing to the environment. On realizing the importance of sustainable living our college has taken much new green initiative like: waste management and efficient use of water and electricity, minimum use of paper, vermin compost for gardens. One of the new initiatives in this regard is "Green Library".

## **4. Practice:**

The college library has very few need trees in its premises. During summer season many students used to sit and read under the shades of these trees; this motivates the librarian to plan a separate garden exclusively for students who are willing to study outdoor and have discussion.

We have planned to develop the garden beside the library and that place was used as garbage dumping ground and full of thorny bushes and eucalyptus trees and unused for several years.

At the first step, all bushes and garbage were removed with the help of JCB and made the place flat. Then we have planted 75 shade giving trees and flowering plants and bushes.

Following are some of the trees planted in the Green Library.

1. Anthocephalus cadamba (Kadamba)
2. Azadirachta indica (Neem)
3. Ficus religiosa (Pipal)
4. Kigelia pinnata (Sausage tree)
5. Swietenia macrophylla(Malasian mahagony)
6. Bismarckia Nobilus (Bismarck palm)
7. Washingtonia Felifera (washingtonia palm)etc.

Following are the constraints and limitation occurred while developing the green library.

1. Lack of willingness among both students and teachers due to the spread of COVID-19.
2. Selecting the proper saplings and plants.
3. Providing sufficient water to the plants.
4. Pests control and compost for plants.
5. Mobilizing the resource.

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

This best practice of implementing the concept of ‘Green Library’ is initiated in the institution in very efficient manner. The library has a canopy of trees and plants to make the environment pollution free to safeguard the health of all the inmates. The flowers and the trees provide shade and beautiful ambience. Utmost care is taken to develop and maintain green landscaping by trained garden supervisor.

The waste disposal management initiatives taken by the college is yielding good results. Students and staff were actively involved in this practice after the relaxation of COVID-19 restrictions by the government. Both the students and staffs are highly benefited by this practice. The institution has decided to continue the practice which will give the good opportunities to learn more about sustainable living.

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

Following plans and strategies are adopted to overcome the problems encountered;

- The principal encouraged the staff members to take up this green initiative in the staff meetings. The teachers motivated the students in their online and offline classes. The practice was carried out by following COVID-19 norms imposed by the government.
- The institute has provided proper equipments and infrastructure to implement the idea of “Green Library”
- A committee has been framed to select plant species and saplings under the guidance of the principal and the faculty members of botany
- The institution focuses on promotion of recycling and reuses practices and sustainable environmental management that entails the principle of \*3 “R”; Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.
- The college has addressed its waste disposal problem by vermi composting. The solid wastes generated from the college canteen and other areas are used in vermi composting pits to generate compost which is used in college and library’s garden.
- This practice is funded by the institution. Separate funds should be collected for this in future





Plantation by NCC Cadets





Green Campus