

Criteria VII - 7.2 Two institutional best practices

Describe at least two institutional best practices :

Best Practice no. 1

Title of the Practice:-E-Waste Management

Context: - In today's world environment protection has been the most important need to be done by human beings. The signal of Global Warming has been knocking the doors of each and every country. To return back or at least to control from further spread of it , we undertook the task of E-Waste Management.

Objectives:-

- 1) To prevent electronic gadgets to be thrown anywhere as a garbage.
- 1) To collect these waste at a centre at our college.
- 2) To make aware of the slum area like Bamanwada to hand over the e-waste to our student volunteers.
- 3) To hand over the E-Waste to Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai.
- 4) To set an example among the community and the students to manage the E-Waste.

The Practice:-

Our college has collaborated with Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. The Municipality told us to issue 'Green Certificate'. We prepared our 92 student volunteers to complete the task of collection of E-Waste. They approached to the nearby area Bamanwada and collected the E-Waste such as damaged mobile phones, computer monitors and peripherals, and other electronic items. It took a year to collect 135 kilograms of E-Waste. In the month of September 2018, this Waste was handed over to Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. They Municipality issued us the Green Certificate. We are proud that our college is the first one in the vicinity to conduct such practice. This practice has been continued even today.

Obstacles faced/Problems encountered :-

Initially the student volunteers, the citizens in the locality were not ready to hand over the E-Waste. But we convinced them that the electronic items are very vulnerable and even dangerous. Therefore, one should not keep them at home and should not throw in the common garbage.

Evidence of Success:-We have tied up with Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. And they have issued us the Green Certificate. Our college is the first to receive this award in BMC 'K' Ward, Vile Parle (East) , Mumbai. Students and the people in the neighbouring area are segregating the E-Waste by themselves.

Resources Required:- Availability of the location and the Waste, Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, dumping place, weighing machine, segregation.

Best Practice no. 2

Title of the Practice:- Guidance students through Career Counselling and Placement Cell

Context:

Career Counselling and Placement cell was established in college in academic year 2003-04 with an objective to guide and channelize students for proper career. College aims at empowering the students for a bright career and future.

Objectives:-

1. To guide students to find suitable career as per their aptitude, qualifications and skills.
2. To help students interact with companies by arranging for campus placement drives.
3. To aspire and motivate students to get a good job profile and bright career.
4. To increase students' confidence level and knowledge to acquaint themselves with best job opportunities.

The Practice:-

Every year regular seminars, workshops and guidance lectures are arranged for students. Around 500 students from degree college benefit through this guidance in choosing their career. Experts from various fields guide students. Interactive sessions are arranged for making students aware about current job market. We have arranged Campus placement drives frequently. Students are given information of recruitments and students are sent for interviews.

Obstacles faced/Problems encountered :-

Lack of space for having professional Career Counselling and placement cell is an obstacle while functioning.

Evidence of Success:-

Most of our students have acquired placements through various linkages. Many of our students are the first generation graduates at their homes. They have received jobs as Ground Staff at airports, Front office and Back

office jobs at Banks and private companies.

Some of our students have entered into Maharashtra Police Service.

Resources Required:- Space for professional career counseling and placement cell