

BEST PRACTICES OF LCB COLLEGE

Best Practice 1:

Topic: Felicitation of retired Teachers from the neighbourhood

Goal:

- To sensitize students towards their social responsibilities.
- To ensure and instil values and ideals among students so as to make them understand the dedication that these teachers have exhibited towards the profession of teaching.
- To assist students in coping up with the competitive world and instilling in them the value of hard work and perseverance shown by these retired teachers towards educating children in general.

The Context: The teachers felicitated are just chosen randomly from among the neighbourhood and the National Teachers' Day i.e. 5th September of every year is chosen for the occasion.

The Practice: The practice of felicitating teachers (Retired) is carried out by the Dept. of Education of our college on a yearly basis on 5th of September every year, to commemorate the birth anniversary of a great stalwart and a doyen among educationists. The day marks a memorable date for the college too as the initiative taken up by the dept. of Education to felicitate retired teachers gives a holistic approach towards the ideals set for teaching learning and imparting education to students among others. It also creates a conducive atmosphere for students to realise and understand the trials and tribulations that these teachers underwent during their years of tireless service, at a time when teaching was not a very fruitful job option, professionally. This year on 5th of Sept, 2018 Sri. Atul Barman, retired teacher, Railway Higher Secondary School, Maligaon, Guwahati was felicitated for his untiring dedicated services to the Institution with a Phoolan Gamocha, a Citation and few books on Assamese literature and works of fiction. There was an interaction session that followed at his residence with the students and teachers of the department wherein he shared interesting episodes of his teaching career and also spoke to the students about the children he taught during his career span.

Evidence of success : This humble and meaningful initiative carried under the aegis of the Education Dept, has become a milestone for other departments in the college to follow suit or devise similar initiatives so as to continue as a source of inspiration for deeds performed in general, by the college and students together.

Problems encountered and resources required: Motivating students for this exercise becomes a challenge at times as many of them fail to understand the idea behind carrying out the felicitation programme. Again finances or monetary resources used for this is very limited and is usually funded by the department itself which may not be agreed upon in unison by all faculty members in future course of action. Planning with respect to criterion adopted for selection of the teacher concerned has to be chalked out systematically.

BEST Practice 2: Institutional Social Responsibility

Goal:

- To maintain community extension in order to facilitate community development with resources and opportunities they need in order to enhance public spaces to create positive change.
- To inculcate the values of community services among the students.
- To sustain the cordial atmosphere in the college vicinity so as to promote cohesion among all its stakeholders and the neighbourhood.
- To chalk out and organise a common plan of action so that both the sides can benefit and continue to work for the overall well being of the area.

The Context: The positive spirit and initiatives undertaken as a part of the institutional Responsibility towards its neighbours has helped in creating a roadmap to work and improve the basic civic fault lines outside the college premises, primarily the road used for accessing the locality and the college and the sewage drain that required immediate reconstruction; the college came up with a blueprint to initiate strategies for the improvement in those areas.

The Practice: The boundary wall of the college campus starting from the Northern side(150 ft) of the campus and ending towards the eastern side(110 ft.) has been reconstructed after it collapsed partially during the rains as a result of which the debris collected on either sides was creating problems to the daily activities of the neighbourhood as the connecting road for entrance to the college and locality was the same. This problem necessitated the construction of a hardy boundary wall As a result, the connecting road has seen an expansion in its new layout thereby facilitating smooth and spacious accessibility to people going to and fro from the area . The college also took the initiative to repair and reconstruct a new sewage drain on parallel directions thus facilitating the flow of sewage and excess rainwater of the neighbourhood. This enhanced and improved layout of the faulty civic amenity has created cordiality and enhanced the bonhomie that had been in existence since the inception of the college in the area.

Evidence of Success: A hygienic and civic way of tackling the entire layout of the boundary wall and sewage drain has led to proper and regulated disposal of waste water thus keeping the entry road free from debris that would often accumulate as a result of the faulty drain construction and this has attracted more avenues of dialogues and discussion between the college and the neighbourhood.

Problems encountered and resources required: Financial constraints was the major hurdle as the entire cost of reconstruction and layout including planning and execution of the civic amenity was borne by the college authority itself. There was no contribution made from the PWD, Government of Assam or the Unnayan Committee that looks after the upkeep and maintenance of the locality.

A major problem that may arise in the near future is the costs to be incurred in maintenance and repairing of the wall and drainage system. With college funds being absolutely limited and absence of government funds, the future costs may escalate and the very question of how to carry out maintenance work could be an area of concern.