

Best Practice-1-

Title of the Practice: Contribution of the Institution in enhancing the experiential learning of Students **Objectives of the Practice:** Right to education is a basic human right of every individual. It is an indispensable tool for the fruitful exercise of all other rights, leading to the progress of man. This right can be enjoyed only in a congenial atmosphere of equality of opportunity. Education benefits both the individual as well as the society & hence everyone should have an equal access to this right without discrimination or exclusion. College fulfills this responsibility to provide basic education to all, including the socially & economically downtrodden, by granting fee concession in deserving cases. Apart from this, meritorious students are identified & given complete financial support to represent the institution at various state & national level competitions. Further, meritorious students are conferred cash awards in order to boost their morale & motivate students to excel further. **The context:** The Institution fulfills its social responsibility in promoting community development by granting fee concession to deserving candidates among the economically backward strata of the society, when parents seek such concession during admission. The institution also stands firmly for those, whose social status needs societal support such as single parents, by extending fee concession to their wards. The fee concession facility is also extended to those who excel in extracurricular activities, viz., sports & cultural activities. The institution encourages active participation of students in various curricular, co-curricular & extracurricular competitions at National & State levels, conducted by various institutions. **The Practice & Uniqueness:** Fee concessions are generally granted to those students, whose both parents are not alive & hence have no source of income & for those, whose father has expired & mother is not able to meet expenditure towards studies. There are also a number of students who are unable to pay their college fees or take up higher education due to various reasons. It may be due to low income of the family, physical disability, financial crunch or crisis in the family leaving them in dire financial straits. When such students who are normally good at their studies or excel in sports or cultural activities request fee concession, in order to encourage them & in order to prevent drop-outs due to financial constraint, fee concession is often extended. To be eligible for fee concession, the student must fulfil the minimum percentage attendance prescribed by the university, i.e., should not be less than 70%. **Evidence of Success:** It is immensely satisfying for the Institution that it has adopted the best practice of granting fee concession to about 10% of its total students every academic year. Fee concession granted by the institution has been a boon as it has enabled a substantial number of students to continue to pursue their education, but for which they would have been forced to drop out due to financial constraint. The financial conditions of many people suffered a greater setback with the outbreak of Covid -19 pandemic and continued for 2 to 3 years thereafter, during the period of which the institution fulfilled its social responsibility towards community development by granting fee concession to needy students. **Problems Encountered & Resources Required:** There is a significant increase in the number of students seeking fee concession, in the present times. The covid-19 pandemic has created devastating effect on the financial condition of many families. Some of the students have lost the breadwinner in the family & are facing

financial crunch. Majority of the students belong to the lower middle class families & so invariably seek fee concession.

Best Practice-2 Title of the Best Practice:

Law Forum, the platform of College for interaction between Law Agencies, Students & General Public. Objectives of the Practice: The Law Forum is the platform constituted in Vivekananda College of Law for the conduct of various programmes to foster interaction between law agencies, students & general public. Law is a multidisciplinary study regulating social life as a whole & so it is imperative to expose students to obtain firsthand experience on the functioning of law. Law is more than a set of abstract rules & hence there is a dire need to study 'law in action'. Law Forum provides avenues for experiencing the practical application of law. The Context Law is a Social phenomena. It is closely related with other social sciences. Law is the instrument for the adjustment of human conditions to the social forces operating in a given society. To cater to this need, Law Forum organises Guest Lectures from Legal Luminaries & experts from other related fields to enrich knowledge on the means available to reconcile conflicting interests in the society. The Practice & Uniqueness Our vision is to attain perfection through education. Believing in a greater cause & fulfilling a greater purpose are strong morals. Putting them into action is our mission. Our outreach programmes organised through the Law Forum aim to help, uplift & support those sections of society who are deprived of certain services & rights. Evidence of Success The institution has a track record of conducting Legal Aid Awareness, Literacy & Services Programmes regularly in several nearby educational institutions for sensitising students on their basic human rights, consumer rights, right to information, gender justice & several other related rights. The Principal & faculty members address the students on the importance of health, hygiene, the ill-effects of smoking & addiction to consumption of alcohol or narcotic substances. Legal Aid Camps have been held, surveys conducted & legal assistance given to the residents of Nawada and adjoining area. Problems Encountered & Resources Required In the several Legal Awareness & Literacy Programmes conducted by the institution through Legal Aid Camps in nearby villages and rural areas, it has been observed that several people due to their illiteracy, poverty & lack of awareness, experience difficulties in procuring benefits under various Schemes of the Government to which they were legally entitled.