



Internal Quality Assurance Cell DAYANAND GIRLS P.G. COLLEGE



BEST PRACTICE - 2

TITLE OF THE PRACTICE:

Nurture Nature – Environmental Awareness and Clean Green Campus

OBJECTIVES:

- To take initiatives regarding eco-friendly approach in day to day lifestyle as a measure towards a healthy Clean Green Drive.
- To promote ethos of cleanliness requisiteness.
- Motivate students to conserve nature by plantation drives and upkeep of plants.
- To inculcate culture of eco-friendly practices and make Campus pollution free.

THE CONTEXT:

The contextual features of the co-ordinated practice of creating environmental awareness among the students certainly assures prosperity. In context of “Nurture Nature” thought to be imbibed by students towards a hygienic environment. The commendable efforts of our Institution intend to bring outward and inward grace by undertaking various activities which signify active co-operation as also involvement of faculty and the students in formulating and executing their plans and programmes. The College conducts its own activities of Cleanliness and Plantation drives time to time on a regular basis considered as a healthy best practice to be initiated at the forefront – correlating with sustainability on priority lines.

THE PRACTICE:

- Institution attaches great importance to nurture and preserve the Nature and avoid degradation of environment. The green campus developed by the College helps not only to save the environment, but also adds beauty to the campus. The Institute has preserved Flora and Fauna on the campus by maintaining suitable environment. Cutting of trees is strictly prohibited in the campus. Every year, a number of trees are planted in the campus. The campus has large number of oxygen releasing and carbon dioxide assimilating plants such

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as Neem tree, Tulsi, Herbal, Snake plant, etc. As a result, the campus maintains low levels of pollutants and carbon emissions. The Institute has a framework in place for conducting a green audit of its facilities. Maintaining Swachhata Pakhwada and Clean Green Drive including Waste Management are genuinely linked to Environmental Awareness. With the Faculty Co-operation, students of the College regularly display Placards with slogans pertaining to cleanliness drive e.g. "Say No To Plastic."

EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS:

- Through these initiatives, the College effected successfully in raising awareness among students in their understanding of the value of environmental resources.
- Plastic-free campus and no Tobacco zone helped in resulting in low pollution.
- Performance against targets, benchmarks and review results try to correlate with issues regarding environmental awareness, nature conservation and cleanliness.
- Programme like rallies, street plays, swachhata abhiyaan and plantation immensely helped in generating social awareness as also environmental consciousness among the students and community too.

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND RESOURCES REQUIRED

Students come from different religions and not well educated backgrounds, it is a difficult task to motivate them to spend their time in local outreach areas as also shortage of funds poses a major concern. Most plastic waste does not make it to the recycling centre. Green campus efforts are difficult; therefore, it requires commitment from all parties and long-term certainty. Green campus initiatives can be quite pricey. Expert counsel and financial

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