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Best Practices Successfully Implemented by the Institution

Green Campus initiative undertaken by the Eco Club of the college has worked out well in ensuring the campus single use plastic free and they have also initiated several programmes in sustaining environmental consciousness among the students. On the occasion of World Environmental Day several saplings were planted on June 5th to make the campus greener.


Parent Teacher Association (PTA) of the college plays a vital role in ensuring parental participation in the affairs of the college. Association shows genuine interest in furthering the development of the college and also finding solutions related to the issues of the students. Areas where the administration cannot interfere because of certain protocol, PTA makes meaningful interventions.

The magnanimous support provided by PTA to the college is manifested in their financial support for seminars, arts festival and other creative endeavours of the students. Every year PTA also provides scholarship to the meritorious and deserving students of all departments. Indeed this has been a very good practice and parents can very well keep themselves aware of the progress of their wards.

In connection with the silver jubilee celebration of the college in 1995 several endowments and scholarships were instituted for the benefit of the deserving and meritorious young talents of all the departments. In memory of Prof. Ravindran, the first Principal of the college, silver jubilee committee initiated an endowment prizes to the meritorious students of 1st, 2nd and 3rd year UG and first and second year PG. In addition to that, a philanthropist of Mahe instituted Nalini Ambadi memorial prize, which was usually given to the best girl student of the college. Meera Mohan prize was another incentive given to the young budding talents of the college. Proficiency prizes were distributed every year to the students of each batch who scored the highest marks in the examinations. Encouragements and support was given not only to the students who are proficient in studies but also to the students who excelled extracurricular activities. Jeevan memorial prize was given to the best sportsperson of the college.

Another distinctive feature of the college is the arts festival which was organized by the students and teachers together. This cultural bonanza was marked by its festive and jovial nature. The rich tapestry of the artistic and cultural tradition of this part of the country is well depicted in more than fifty items of completions which are always help in tune with a healthy competitive spirit. Literary competitions in several languages like Malayalam, English, Hindi, Arabic and French are held every year representing the multilingual character of the region. Apart from this much time is devoted to conduct of performance items spanning several hours of the day. Students of the college used to participate in these events with much devotion and enthusiasm. The gaiety and revelry shown by them during this period has a lasting influence on them throughout the year. It opens up vicissitudes displayed by liberal arts in widening the mental horizons of the student's community. From the very inception of the college National Service Scheme (NSS) has been very active in the college. Students get enrolled in this with a larger willingness to serve the community around them. It provides greater opportunities to the students in moulding their character and personality through social work. Man, being a social animal, has to cultivate a sense of commitment and devotion to the fellow beings and thereby foster a spirit of inclusiveness also. An array of programmes like regular social work and seven days special camping programmes have been conducted by the NSS every year to inculcate the spirit of social service among the students. What has been peculiarly significant is the spirit of togetherness shown by the students in all the activities undertaken by them. Every year selected NSS volunteers used to attend national integration camps in different parts of the country.

Alumni association of the college has been very active in taking care of the welfare of the college. With a history of around fifty years of existence, the students who have passed and employed in different parts of the world have been very particular in keeping constant touch with the college. Attempts are constantly made to make innovation in the mode of teaching and learning by introducing several innovative methods. A student friendly approach is maintained to keep the good spirits of the students alive. The college has outreached to the community with its action and field research in collaboration with other institutes.


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