

3.4.1 Outcome of Extension Activities in the neighborhood community in terms of impact and sensitizing the students to social issues for their holistic development during the last five years. (QIM-15)

Response:

The institution is deeply committed to community service through its active N.S.S. and Red Cross units. The N.S.S. unit consists of around one hundred student volunteers who participate in various activities throughout the year, including campus cleaning, maintaining greenery, one-day camps, and an annual special camp.

The institution is dedicated to building a strong campus-community relationship and improving the well-being of its surrounding neighborhood. Several community development activities have been initiated, including:

1. **Swachh Bharat Abhiyan:** Emphasizing cleanliness on campus and its surroundings, the initiative includes awareness campaigns about the harmful effects of e-waste and plastic use. Both teaching and non-teaching staff actively participate in campus-wide cleaning efforts as part of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.
2. **Social Issue Awareness:** Activities organized by the N.S.S., Scouts and Guides, and the Sociology Forum focus on raising awareness about social issues such as environmental degradation, substance addiction, deforestation, sanitation problems, early marriage, and discrimination against the girl child.
3. **Civic Problem Solving:** The institution collaborates with service-oriented associations to address civic issues. Blood donation drives are organized both independently by the college and in collaboration with local hospitals. The college has also promoted awareness about proper water usage among students and the local community, allowing the public to access water from the college as needed. Additionally, the institution has conducted awareness programs on tobacco use and its health impacts, as well as tuberculosis (TB) prevention in association with the Government Primary Health Center in Kyathasandra, Tumkur. These initiatives have helped students understand the importance of preventing TB in the community.
4. **Educational Tours:** The college organizes educational tours to provide students with exposure to industrial operations, historical sites, and the concept of eco-tourism.
5. **Relief Work and Charitable Activities:** Donations, both monetary and in-kind, are collected from neighboring residents and offices for charitable activities and relief work during natural disasters.
6. **Extension Programs:** N.S.S. and Red Cross units conduct various extension programs, including a seven-day special camp focused on agricultural awareness, cleanliness drives, and promoting moral awareness.
7. **HIV/AIDS Awareness:** The Red Cross and Red Ribbon clubs organize annual programs to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS through plays and discussions. Blood group screening is conducted, and students are encouraged to donate blood.
8. **Community Support:** Scouts and Guides raise funds within the neighborhood to support flood victims, providing basic necessities and financial assistance.

9. **Environmental Initiatives:** The institution actively engages in community discussions on plastic bans, e-waste management, and environmental preservation, aiming to raise awareness and encourage community involvement.
10. **Anti-Sexual Harassment Program:** A program is implemented to foster an equal mindset among students, raise awareness about relevant laws, address global issues related to girls, and advocate for equal opportunities for women through the Women's Cell.
11. **Celebration of International Women's Day:** The college invites resource persons to create awareness among students about equal opportunities, encourage participation in various activities, and provide information on legal support available to women and girls.

These initiatives collectively aim at the holistic development of students and the well-being of the community, embodying the theme of "college should go to the people."

