

**B.P.H.E. SOCIETY'S**  
**AHMEDNAGAR COLLEGE, AHMEDNAGAR**  
**BEST PRACTICES OF THE COLLEGE**

**BEST PRACTICE-1**

**Title:**

**To deploy the human resources of college to serve the needs of the  
Neighborhood community**

**Objectives:**

- To engage staff, students and alumni in Community Service purely on voluntary basis.
- To deploy the human resources of the Institute to serve the needs of the neighborhood community.
- Attempts in uplifting the Community and in bringing about a change in Society.
- Integrates all the efforts and activities of all the Departments which were previously done individually.
- Facilitates a sense of social responsibility among students and the qualities of team work and leadership.
- Inculcates a caring attitude amongst the students and make them sensitive to the diverse needs of the community.
- Provides students with diverse projects to choose from which are student-led and are offered in association with a variety of nonprofit agencies apart from the activities on the campus.
- Allows students to explore various volunteering opportunities and learn more about the local nonprofit agencies and contribute to their activities.
- Kindles a sense of responsibility toward the society and make the students realize the privileges of education and the responsibilities that come with being educated.
- Certification of all the volunteers and recognition of extra ordinary services by commendation cards and public felicitation.

## **The Context:**

Keeping in mind the vision of Ahmednagar College, “Not things but Men, I dare you and Ye Shall Know the Truth”, the College encourages the students to donate their time. It aims in engaging students in activities that would enable them to reach out to people in rural areas and extend helping hand to the needy. The students are given hands on experience in imparting life skills.

## **The Practice:**

“Snehbandha” is the social outreach unit of Ahmednagar College, organized with the explicit objective of engaging in community work through voluntary service. “Snehbandha” literally translates to “affection”; organized with the hope of creating affection and good relations in the young minds of students towards all the elements of the society. Consisting the staff, students and alumni, it gives students the opportunity to get involved in community service on a regular basis, with diverse projects to choose from. Projects are student-led which are offered in association with a variety of nonprofit agencies apart from the activities on the campus. Students, staff and alumni can sign up for projects as per the amount of time they wish to spend on voluntary social work. Most of the community outreach projects that the Unit undertakes do not require a long-term commitment. Allows students to explore their abilities and invest their time wisely.

Students, staff and alumni of the College who wish to volunteer to work along with “Snehbandha” are registering themselves by filling in the Registration form available with the coordinator. A calendar of proposed activities is available with the coordinator. It is not mandatory to the volunteers to attend all the activities conducted by the Snehbandha as it is voluntary practice. Volunteers are also informed by the coordinator about any additional activity by WhatsApp group. “Snehbandha” has also associated MOU’S with four NGO’s

- 1.Mauli Seva Pratishthan
- 2.ApangKalyan Kendra
- 3.Karmayogi Pratishthan
4. Navjivan Pratishthan.

## **Evidence of Success:**

In the year 19-20 following additional activities were conducted

- 300 trees were planted at Miravali Baba Pahad in collaboration with Snehbandha, National Service Scheme, Rotary Club of Integrity.  
**45 volunteers of Snehbandh** enthusiastically participated in the event.
- 45 Volunteers of Snehbandha clean Dongargan, Manjarsumbha and nearby area and collected plastic garbage.
- Cleaning of Historical Tourist places in and around Ahmednagar City.
- Two Volunteers of Snehbandha donated blood at Janyakalyan Blood Bank during COVID -19.
- Distribution of educational materials to the needy with the help of Snehbandha.
- Girl Volunteers celebrated Raksha Bandhan with physically challenged children at Apang Kalyan Kendra sharing love, affection, and bonding with them.
- Other than Snehbandha NSS, NCC units, Dept of Commerce conducts various social activities.
- Commerce Social Association –a Initiative taken by Commerce dept since 2012 to celebrate valentine’s day with underprivileged children. Objective is to make our students responsible, sensible and understand their social responsibility towards society at large.
- Department of Computer Science donated woolen cloths to homeless people.
- During Covid -19 lockdown period some of our staff members along with students distributed breakfast and lunch food packets to needy people from 1<sup>st</sup> May to 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

## **Resources Required:**

- Human Resources like volunteers, students, teachers and alumni.
- ‘Time’ donated by the volunteers is the greatest resource of all.
- Bikes and other mode of transportation were required so as to take students to all the venues.
- Technical Resources like music system, musical instruments were required for Cultural activity.

**Problems Encountered:**

No technical problems were encountered while conducting any of the activities. There was just a minor issue of travelling of students from hostels and other parts of Ahmednagar city.

**Notes:**

Creates a sense of responsibility in the students towards the Society.  
Embeds sensitivity and the thoughtfulness towards the weaker sections of Community.

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**BEST PRACTICE-2**

**Title :**

**Celebration of Birth and Death Anniversaries of Founding Fathers, Political Leaders and Activists.**

**Objectives :**

The objectives of the practice are:

- To create awareness about founding fathers, political leaders and activists and their thoughts among college students.
- To inculcate the knowledge of their sacrifices for the Nation.
- To create awareness regarding their role in empowering society.
- To recognize their contribution for removing social evils.
- To provide opportunity for the students to showcase their talents and creativity.
- To develop leadership and teamwork qualities among students.
- To reach towards the students of professional courses.
- To increase involvement of different stake-holders.
- To inculcate values in students' life by showing them life struggle, sacrifice of such estimable personalities and to motivate them to become finer individuals in the communities.

**The Context**

Keeping in mind that respecting our elders, forefathers and founding fathers is the prime tradition of our culture.

The college celebrates almost all the birth and death anniversaries of great and prominent personalities.

To honor the work, life and sacrifice of such great people, we organize various activities like:

Birth Anniversary of Lokmanya Tilak

Birth Anniversary of Annabhau Sathe

Birth Anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj

Birth Anniversary of Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule

Birth and Death Anniversary of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar

Birth and Death Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi

## **The Practice**

The College celebrates and organizes birth and death anniversaries of these great souls every year.

The staff and students pay floral tribute to these honorable dignitaries.

Various departments organize guest lectures on these days.

The department always try to inculcate their thoughts and values among students.

The students from various faculties and classes participate in these programs.

On these days the college felicitate some extraordinary and great individuals from society who make the world a better place to live in.

On the occasion of International Women's Day, the students felicitate Women working in different sectors:

e.g., Bidi Workers, Women's working Health Sector, Different government offices, Post, Police etc.

On the occasion of Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi staff and students organize Peace March.

The staff and students visit adopted schools each year twice to inculcate thoughts of these eminent personalities.

All the departments of college celebrate 5<sup>th</sup> September as birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan, some individually and some together.

## **Evidence of success**

The students from various backgrounds participated in these program.

The students are always eager to hear the thoughts of these personalities.

In the year 19-20 following additional activities were conducted

Birth Anniversary of Indira Gandhi

Birth Anniversaries of Swami Vivekananda and Rajmata Jijau Maa Saheb Bhosale.

Birth Anniversary of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru

Birth Anniversary of Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam (Reading Motivation Day).

Founder's Day celebration. This year we celebrate 100 th Anniversary of our Founder Dr. B.P. Hiwale.

## **Resources Required:**

Technical resources – Sound system, technical instruments.

Human Resources – Faculty, Student, Dignitaries, Vice Principals, Principal, Special Guest.

## **Problems Encountered:**

Crowd management is task for the departments having greater student strength.

It is necessary to increase involvement of different stake-holders.

## **Notes**

Honoring the founding fathers, prominent personalities, activists, freedom fighters, create a sense of spirit and motivation among the students.

It also encourages them and builds up national integrity.

