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Best Practice 1

- 1. Title of the Practice:** Conferment of annual institutional awards
- 2. Objective of the Practice:** The objective of this program was to confer two annual awards consisting of a citation, trophy and a cash award of Rupees Twenty Five Thousand upon eminent personalities, who has remarkable contributions in their own fields of activities and expertise i.e. **Tirthanath Sarma Excellence Award 2021**, for making credible contributions in the academic sphere and **Nirmala Devi Excellence Award 2021**, for making credible contributions in the socio-economic sphere of the State through your remarkable innovations on the 68th Foundation Day celebrations (i.e. on **01.09.2021**).
- 3. The Context:** The conferment of the award to eminent personalities for their excellence was a challenging task as the award could not be given simply in a biased manner. So, a series of bio-data of all the eminent individuals toward the particular field had to be compared and crossed verified before the selection as it would be otherwise injustice to all the eminent individual's contribution towards the society.
- 4. The Practice:** The practice of conferment of excellence award to eminent personalities, who has remarkable contributions in their own fields of activities and expertise, is a very positive way of honouring the person's contribution towards their life long contributions toward the society. It is also an encouraging step towards all the young individuals and students to work for their excellence in their area of interest for betterment of the society and the nation.
- 5. Evidence of Success:** For the year 2021-22, the college had nominated **Dr. Kamalendu Deb Krori**, for the **Tirthanath Sarma Excellence Award 2021**, for making credible contributions in the academic sphere and **Dr. Uddhab Kumar Bharali**, for making credible contributions in the socio-economic sphere of the State through your remarkable innovations. The event was a success as it was very much appreciated for honouring the imminent personalities for their contributions.
- 6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required:** As the award consist of cash award of twenty five thousand to each awardee, the college had to manage separate fund so that it does not affect the college treasury, which was one of the important resource required for the event. As of the problem encountered, due to the proper systematic management of the resources there was no problem encountered. However, as the flagship program to confer two annual awards upon eminent personalities was on the foundation day of the college with VVIP guests such as **Dr. Ranoj Pegu**, hon'ble Education Minister, Assam; **Shri Ramendra Narayan Kalita**, hon'ble M.L.A., **Dr. Paramananda Rajbongshi**, hon'ble M.L.A., **Shri Hemanga Thakuria**, hon'ble M.L.A., **Shri Diganta Kalita**, hon'ble M.L.A., a minor problem encountered was that the program schedule had to adjusted according to the flexibility of the VVIPs.

Best Practice 2

1. Title of the Practice: Departmental publications

2. Objective of the Practice: The objective of this practice is to search for new knowledge apart from delivering what is written in the textbooks and also to encourage students to update their knowledge, explore their potentialities, creativities, improve writing and communication skills, etc. Another secondary objective is to inculcate a sense of competitiveness amongst the different departments in the field of publication and student involvement in the publication process.

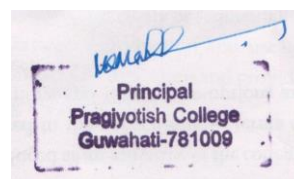
3. The Context: The practice of publication of newsletters, e-magazine and journals at departmental level occupies a unique position in higher education. The duty of an institution is not only to provide literary knowledge from the textbooks but also to explore the new space of knowledge by way of research, art and latest information in order to cope up with time. This enables the teaching-learning fraternity to update their knowledge, explore their potentialities, creativities, improve writing and communication skills etc.

4. The Practice: All the departments of the college have adopted the practice of bringing out departmental level publications, including a number of e-publications.

5. Evidence of Success: The culture of publication has encouraged the students to think for new ideas and get involved with the institutional affairs. At the initial stages, only a few departments had their own departmental level publications. However, as more and more departments came up with their own publications, the practice has been adopted by all the departments and today there are a number of departmental publications in the college, viz. Anthropology (*Unigration*), Assamese (*Palash*), Bengali (*North East Little Magazine Review; Anubad*), Bodo (*Pragjyotishani Sansri*), Botany (*Plantae Newsletter*), Chemistry (*Boson*), Computer Science (*Zetta*), Economics (*Arthabarta*), Education (*Educatum*), English (*Literatia*), Geography (*PRAGBhugol*), Geology (*Petra*), History (*Historia*), Philosophy (*Dristi*), Physics (*fiziks*), Sanskrit (*Praci*), Statistics (*Mathematical Statistics*), Tourism Management (*Jatra - A New Horizon*), Zoology (*Phoenix*).

6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required: Publication of departmental level publications requires both time and money. Furthermore, in-order to meet quality based on the current scenario it becomes challenging issues that needed to be addressed in designing and implementing this practice. Requirement of skilled manpower is another challenge for some departments. Apart from management, copyright issues are to be kept in proper check. Furthermore it requires initial high infrastructure cost along with high-internet speed. It becomes challenging, as apart from teaching works, many administrative tasks has also to be accomplished on time-bound basis. So, to manage time for all this like publication of wall magazine, e-magazine, newsletter, bulletin and journals etc., it becomes very hectic.

7. Notes: Publication of newsletters, e-magazine and journals is a beautiful culture or best practice which all college should adopt because it not only reflected the quality of work in a particular institution but most importantly it encourages other faculties and students for search new knowledge and to update and explore their potentialities, creativities, improve writing and communication, skills etc.



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