

Udaynarayanpur Madhabilata Mahavidyalaya



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Best Practice 1

Title of The Practice:Relief and Rescue Work for Rural Disaster Management

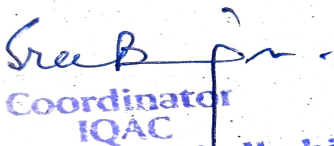
Objective of The Practice: The main objective of the practice is to prepare a team of people to support relief work and emergency disaster management during flood situations.

The Context:Udaynarayanpur is a small village on the bank of river, Damoder. The river very often overflows and creates flood situations in many villages during rainy seasons. This area is part of a flood plain. The adjoining villages and the college campus were affected by flood in past years. The college had initiated relief works in those years as well. The college has decided to build up a team to help in such disasters if needed.

The Practice: For disaster management, the college has initiated conversations with Block development office and the disaster management officer was appointed to train students on preparedness for flood relief programme and management. The NSS unit has identified 26 students having a background of NCC & NSS to take part in the programme. The students will keep a close watch on declaration and forecast by weather news on rain volume and flood alert. Based on the weather alert they will notify the college and household near the riverbank. They will also circulate contact numbers for emergencies. If a flood situation arises, the team will provide dry food and necessary items to the affected population as and when the relief material will be available to them. If needed they will also help to transport any sick person to the local hospital.

Evidence of Success: The college has experience of working in relief work during flood situations. The recent initiative with Block Development office and Local hospital has made a logical improvement towards contributing to the local society.

Problem Encountered and Resource Required: To provide sufficient relief aid the college will require large amounts of funds and first-aid supply. Further in case of emergency training on the usage of lifeguards in water will be beneficial.


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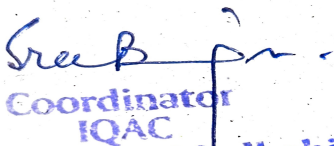
Title of the Practice: We Shall Overcome Gender Sensitization and Awareness Activities

Objective of the Practice: The practice aims to bolster awareness regarding gender-related issues and build confidence in female students within a female-majority rural institution.

The Context: Udaynarayanpur Madhabilata Mahavidyalaya was named after Madhabilata Devi, the revered matriarch of the Udaynarayanpur zamindari family, who was known for her ceaseless patronage of education—specifically women’s education—in villages. Her profound understanding of the needs of her locality reveals itself to us even today. Nearly seventy-five per cent of our students are young women. They live in or around Udaynarayanpur and often tell us that they would never have been allowed to pursue higher education had this college not existed. Awareness on gender issues and the problems faced by women in their pursuit of education are negligible in the area and many students meekly accept age-old gender stereotypes that lead to early marriage and abrupt disruptions in their educational journey. In this light, the need for a sustained gender sensitization programme was observed as urgent and essential.

The Practice: The institution has a cell dedicated to gender sensitization and awareness. It conducts several programmes throughout the year to raise awareness on gender issues in the community as well as to enable female students to overcome the various hurdles that come in the way of their education, career, and holistic development.

This year, the focus was on self-defence training and community involvement in garnering gender sensitization. A cultural programme titled ‘Udaynarayanpur Gatha, Mahilader Katha’ was organized in collaboration with Ashadeep Foundation, a local NGO. Women members of Ashadeep shared with our students the rich history of women’s contributions to the growth and development of Udaynarayanpur. They also encouraged our students to act as Youth Leaders for the development of their village. This programme aimed to involve the local community and local women so that gender sensitization does not remain limited within the college walls.


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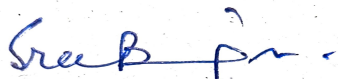
A student survey for female students was held within the campus to understand the accessibility and gaps of educational and extra-curricular facilities offered by the college.

Student narratives on several gender issues have also been published in the form of an edited e-book titled *Gendered Interrogations: Narratives of Students from Rural Howrah*(ISBN: 978-81-954644-3-2).

Further, Karate workshops were organized twice in the academic session. These workshops were conducted by Sensei Dhananjay Paul of the Karate Association of India. Through these recurring self-defence workshops for students, the institution foregrounds its dedication to promote both physical fitness and self-confidence, especially among female students.

Evidence of Success: We received 12 student narratives for the edited volume. All programmes and workshops were met with enthusiastic participation from students.

Problems encountered and Resources required: More funding and infrastructure development is required to hold sensitization programmes and develop publications in a sustained manner and to employ full-time self-defence trainers for students.



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