

BEST PRACTICES-1

Title:-

Publication of the College: A Platform to encourage faculties, students and community to express their research interest and critical thinking.

Objectives of the Practices:-

1. To encourage faculties and students to engage in preliminary research activities.
2. To provide a platform to the faculties and students to explore their creativity and critical thinking.


The Context:-

In the current scenario people are drawn towards digitalization and mobile phones. While there is no denying the importance of technology, it has considerably reduced the habit of reading and writing, especially among the young generation. Hence, as a measure to harness their hidden potential as well as those of the teaching community, our College has adopted this practice of publication of books, journals and pamphlets. Remarkably, it has paved the way for intellectual stimulation as well as the regeneration of creative impulse.

The Practice:-

The College is annually publishing eight journals from different departments. The Journal of History department "The Mirror" was UGC listed and now the journal is applied for UGC care list. Till now eight volume of this journal has published. Other journals of the College are 1) "The growth" (7 Volumes, department of Economics), 2) Sikhshajyoti (8 Volumes, Department of Education) 3) Swaraj (3 Volumes, Department of Political Science) 4) Kundan (4 Volumes, Department of Assamese), 5) Bodhidrum (4 Volume, Library and information centre of the College) and 6) Swagya (4 Volume, Department of Philosophy).

Besides annual ISBN Book Krondoshi (4 Volumes, Department of Geography), Understanding Society (2 Volumes of the Sociology Department) and Kosh, (2 Volumes, Women Cell of the College) is published. As a whole the



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Cinnamara College Sakha Sahitya Sabha and MCMAGK publication has published 138 nos. of books (edited and authored volumes) on various topics with ISBN and among them 105 Nos of books are available in Amazon book so far. The College publishes tri-monthly news magazine named “Viswamukhi Jugabarta”(RNI No-ASSASS01376) to refresh the students, faculties and community on contemporary academic, political, social and economic issues. In order to encourage the practice of writing, the aforesaid paper has introduced ‘Best Writer’ award which was introduced in 2018 and is continuing till date.

Evidence of Success:-


It has helped the teachers and students community alike to find a platform to express themselves. A number of teachers have also contributed to their own publications while students also regularly contribute write ups through their magazine, “Aragami” and in the news magazine ‘Viswamukhi Jugabarta’. The Mirror Journal is indexed with International Institute of Organised Research (I2OR). This Journal received I2OR publication excellence award, 2018, Green Thinker² Editorial Excellent Award, 2019 at 4th International Convention on interdisciplinary research for sustainable development held at confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Chandigarh. The Journal scored Publication Impact Factor of 5.105 for the year 2022. The Journal is subscribed by EBSCO, the Nehru Memorial Museum Library, New Delhi; Bordeaux University, France(<https://www.sudos.fr/183626060>); School of Historical Studies, Visva-Bharati University, West Bengal; National Law University, Jodhpur; Cooch Behar Panchanan Barman University, West Bengal; Alagappa University, Tamil Nadu; Library, Deccan College, Pune; Gargoan College, Sibsagar; Sankerdev College, Shillong; Allahabad Museum and A.R.S. Inamdar Arts, Science & Commerce College for women, Karnataka. It is to be noted that the Cinnamara College is located in the remote corner of the country. Hence, the College is emphasizing and trying humble endeavor to popularize the strong root of Research, creative writing and Social Science research for today and for tomorrow and to establish the link in academic and true research reciprocity among the colleges, interested and learned section of the country and beyond.


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Problems encountered:-

The major problem faced in our endeavour is the financial constraints. Financial resources are needed for funding of publications of books and journals. There is lack of funding agencies. Hence most of the books and journals are self financed. Inspite of all efforts and encouragements very less numbers of students are coming forward for writing in journals, books and news magazine. Although it has faced lot of problem due to paucity of fund, within the limited structure, the saga of progress and spread of knowledge will continue its journey to materialize the vision and mission, the founders of the college set for the generation.


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BEST PRACTICES-2

Title:- Extension activities to connect students to the Community.

Objectives of the Practice:-


- 1) To ensure personality development of students through community work.
- 2) To inculcate social outlook among students.
- 3) To enable students to understand their neighbourhood.
- 4) To help students to understand the needs and problem of the society.
- 5) To infuse leadership quality and democratic attitude among students.
- 6) To develop awareness among community about different issues of environment, health, hygiene, govt. schemes and cultural stimulation for rural development etc.

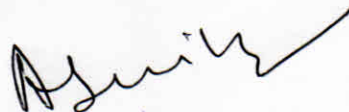
The Context:-

The educational institutions get its input from community and therefore the institutions have responsibility towards the community. No institutions can grow isolation from community. It is essential for higher education institutions to connect their students to the community through extension activities. Students should understand the needs and the problems of the community. The community should be made aware of various issues related to environment, health, hygiene etc. Extension activities are the only way to connect students to the community.

The Practice:-

NSS Unit of Cinnamara College leads the extension activities of the College. Every year NSS organizes special Camp in a Village where the students stay in the village for a week and conduct socio-economic survey, organizes awareness programme on environment, Health, Hygiene and Govt. scheme for rural development. In the special camp NSS publishes a book "Shipa" covering various aspects of the Village. This type of uniqueness of activities through this NSS book is published in the newspaper "The Telegraph" (5th September, 2013). NSS unit of the College formed a blood donation group "Red Club" in 2020 (June). Till now the members of this group contributed more than 40 units of blood to needy people. NSS unit along with teachers unit had provided flood relief at flood


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affected areas of Dhemaji, Lakhimpur and Majuli. During COVID the NSS Unit and Teacher's Unit jointly organized COVID awareness programme in the nearby locality. NSS unit distributed mask and sanitizer at Cinnamara Area. IQAC organized workshop on GST, Entrepreneurship Development and Performing Art as a part of extension activities. Borbam Chungi Gaon is the adopted Village of the College where the NSS conducted Mega Winter Camp in the year 2018-19.

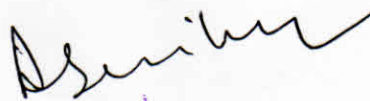
Evidence of Success:-

The extension activities led by NSS has achieved success. Special camps were held every year since the inception of NSS. Students of different batches as NSS Volunteer got the opportunity to connect with the community. The Cinnamara College NSS Unit was awarded best NSS Unit for the year 2021-22 by Dibrugarh University. Again Prof. Podmeswar Katani, Programme Officer of Cinnamara College NSS Unit was awarded best Programme Officer by Dibrugarh University for the year 2018-19. He also received leadership certificate for his efforts in Tobacco control activities through NSS. Again the Mahatma Gandhi National Council for Rural Education conferred certificate of recognition to the NSS unit of Cinnamara College and its Programme Officer for their support to COVID affected families as a part of their best COVID campaign initiative. Noteworthy that, Mriganka Borah, Ex-Volunteer of Cinnamara College NSS Unit, received best International Director for the film named 'Aniha', (A short film on environment) from Rameshwaram international film festival for the year of 2021 (YouTube link of the short film <https://youtu.be/63BXXBJQEBl0>).

Problem Encountered:-

There is always financial constraint to carry out extension activities at larger dimensions. Financial resources are needed for funding of extension activities. But authority sometime fail to cater all needs as there are lack of funding agencies to finance such activities. In some Villages the response level of the community is less inspite of all efforts. Again there is clash of time as teachers having classes to engage find it difficult to go out for extension activities. In spite of these, the College is committed to render the community service to connect students to the community.


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