BEST PRACTICES:

Best Practices I:

Title of the Practice: Trekking and Cleanliness Program at Historical Forts.

Objectives of the Practice: To develop awareness of cleaning of historical and natural places like Forts (Torna, Raigad, Rajgad, Vasota, Raireshwar, Purandar, Rohideshwar, Ghewadeshwar, Kawalagad, Kenjalgad etc.), Nira-Devghar Dam, Bhatghar Dam, Gunjawani Dam and Mandhardevi Temple etc.

The Context: Trekking and Hygiene program at the forts of Torna, Raigad, Rajgad, Vasota, Raireshwar, Purandar, Rohideshwar, Mandhardevi Temple, Ghewadeshwar Temple, Kawalagad, Kenjalgad, Nira-Devghar Dam, Bhatghar Dam, Gunjawani Dam etc. Organized in every year by joint efforts of National Service Scheme(NSS), National Catet Course(NCC) of Army and Nevy students of our college. Our Faculty members always interested to organize trekking and cleanliness programs in the holidays and special occasions like Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti, Rashtrapeeta Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti, Pandharpur Wari, mandhardevi Yatra etc

The Practice: This program organized for to make aware the students of our college about the cleanliness of these historic places. In these program lots of garbage is collected and disposed. Under this practice various institutes and their students like Sahyadri Trekkers group, Anantrao Thopte College, Bhor around 200 students participate in every year.

Evidence of Success: We proud that our area is that type of historical area in which Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj has actively performed and developed a base of Maratha Empire. With this appreciation our students and teachers which are living in this mavala's area are practicing trekking and cleanliness program hole heartedly at historical places and forts of Maharashtra. **Problems Encountered and Resources Required:** Organizing such event is big challenge. Around all cadets of NCC participating in the trek as outdoor activity with mission of Swaccha Bharat Abhiyan. As such so far, no problem is encountered and whatever small little problems were taken care by team itself. To carry notice boards all the way especially at the top of fort is challenge. Resources Required: Notice boards which are self-explanatory about importance of cleaning and keeping that place clean.

Notes (**Optional**): During these treks and cleaning campaign students not only cleaned the campus but also contributed to carry stuffs like sand bags at each forts and temples. Cadets make human chain to carry and pass on sand bags for construction work at top of the fort. Which is one of the challenging jobs during construction of damaged part of fort or historical places during restoration work. Which can be achieved by the help of students. The practice of plantation is also undertaken at historical places like forts, temples and dams etc.

Best Practices II

Title of the Practice : Financial support to the deserving students by the college

It has seen from the profile of students admitted to various courses running in the college that almost all the students are coming from the rural areas with low economic back ground. Their parents are unable to provide them a sustained financial support because of poor farming, lack of industrial zone and not any other source of assured income in the Bhor Taluka. So, the main objectives of the practice are,

• To give financial support to the poor students, especially from the rural, to save them from discontinuation of their studies owing to poverty by giving concessions in the admission fees.

• To support financially all the deserving poor students without any discrimination of caste, creed or gender.

• To promote the 'equality' among the students.

• To encourage the values 'sense of social responsibility' among the students.

The expected outcome is that the students should be able to complete their degrees with good marks. The beneficiaries support the other needy students with the principle of 'lend a helping hand without discrimination.'

