

Title of the Practice :- Late Priya Baruah & Late Girish Bora Memorial Best Reader Award of Capt. Jintu Gogoi ,Vir Chakra Library

Best Reader Award to motivate readers

Objective of the Practice for offering Best Reader Award:-

- To motivate the students towards the library.
- To inculcate reading habits among the students.
- To make proper use of the library resources.
- To encourage the students to be involved in different extracurricular activities of the college.

Context of the Practice:- “ Late Priya Baruah & Late Girish Bora Memorial Best Reader Award” was declared on 12th August ,2003 to celebrate Librarians’ day to commemorate the birth day of the great Indian father of Library Science Dr. S. R Ranganathan. Upto 2003, there was no any librarian in the college and no formal setup of a library in true sense. The students were not accustomed to habit of reading in the library. On that context the present librarian Dr. Deepa Baruah declared the Award and is continuing till date.

About the Practice :- The Award is being donated by the Librarian in the memory of her grandfather. The Award consists of a Dictionary, a cash of Rs. 500/- and a certificate. Since 2002 the Award is offered to 17 students till date on Fresher’s Meet.

Selection Procedure:- The Library committee constitute the selection committee headed by the Principal of the College with the following criteria

1. He/ She must be a regular student having more than 80% attendance in the class.
2. His / Her attendance in the library students’ attendance register must be satisfactory.
3. He/ she must be abiding by the rules and regulation of the library.
4. His / her behavior in the library as well as their involvement in different extra – curricular activities is also counted.
5. The academic achievement of the student has also been regarded as one of the criteria of selection.

Evidence of Success:- The practice can claim the evidence of success. Out of 17 recipients of the award 10 students are engaged in different government jobs. One student Ms Popy Devi Nath is a teacher in a college of Tamil Nadu after Post graduation in Gender Studies in the Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Rural Development, Chennai. Ms Gauri Gogoi is persuing Master Degree in Women Studies at Gauhati University. As it has been mentioned that the Award is being offered on the freshman social programme

of our college, the day on which the new comers of our college are being officially welcomed to the college family. The practice helps to motivate the newly enrolled students of our college toward library.

Title: Empowering Women of nearby village through extension activities by Women Cell, Joya Gogoi College.

The Objectives:

1. To increase contribution of women by skill development programs.
2. Overcome social barriers, prevent gender discrimination and sexual harassment.

The Context

The college is located in a rural area in the Golaghat district which is mainly populated by people from communities who are burdened by several socio-economic constraints. In this locality women empowerment is a topic subject which is seldom touched upon. As such the Women's Cell of the college has become a beacon of hope for the women of this community through its various its extension activities.

The Practice

With the vision of empowering the women of nearby villages, the cell has undertaken several bold and reformatory steps.

Our cell has felicitated several women from diverse field who have made a significant contribution towards their community. This not only encourages them to continue their good work but also motivates others to follow in their footsteps. During the various programs organized by us, we invite luminaries from different fields to share their valuable insights with the girl students of our college and the local women. Several awareness programs under the topics such as "Women's physical and mental health, microfinance schemes of the government, menstrual hygiene, counseling programs for girl students", etc. has been conducted by the cell. Our cell conducts surveys to assess various problems such as domestic abuse, health issues etc. and provide the women with the required legal or medical support. We also hold counselling program for the girl students on gender discrimination and sexual harassment etc.

Evidence of Success

The extension programs undertaken by the Women's Cell have not only benefitted the women of the nearby villages but also the girl students of our college. The health camps organized by our cell have proved to be greatly effective. Due to our efforts the girl students of our college and the women of the nearby villages are treated as high priority patients in the Khumtai Model Hospital.

With the help of our awareness programs the women of the villages have realized the importance of educating the girl child. This has resulted in the steady increase in the enrollment of girl students in our college.

Our Cell has been able to make the women realize the importance of financial independence. The girl students of our college have shown increasing interest in joining the add on skill development courses to gain financial independence.

Felicitations programs of nurses and doctors of Khumtai Model Hospital for their service in the difficult times of the Covid pandemic.

Problems

But several factors have served as an obstacle in the path of this endeavor of the Women's Cell. The women of the nearby villages, due to their various social dogmas and the scourge of illiteracy, are often reticent in discussing their problems openly. The lack of proper funds has also presented itself as an obstacle in front of the Women's Cell. The poor infrastructure of the villages and the havoc caused by the yearly floods makes it a challenge to bring the benefits of our endeavor to the women of the interior villages. Despite these challenges, the Women's Cell has been doing its best to improve the conditions of the nearby women community.