

1) TITLE OF THE PRACTICE: BUDHWAR KA KHADI MAHOTSAVE

Objectives of the practice:

The programme aims at sensitizing citizens, particularly students and youth, to make them aware of the importance of khadi, handloom and other local products for our economy.

Context:

On the context of Gandhi Jayanthi, the St. Cyril's college has introduced various programmes in the college. As the patriotic Indians, we can't avoid our 'Father of Nation' on our celebrations. The propagation of Khadi was the motto of Gandhiji during the national movement and even after the independence.

The Practice:

A seminar on "*Khadi the Best Practice in the Society*" was organized by the Khadi Mahotsav committee and an exhibition of Khadi products was arranged at the auditorium on 03/10/2023 and the students and teachers of the college enthusiastically responded and within few hours, most of the products were sold. Varieties of Khadi fabrics (ready-mades and materials), saree, churidars, soaps, detergents, washing liquids, fabric gums etc were displayed at the exhibition. The seminar and exhibition were made under the auspicious of our best practice in the college named '*Budhwar Ka Khadi Mahotsave*' (wearing Khadi dress in the campus at least on everyWednesday from last academic year (28th September 2022) onwards).

Evidence of success:

The St Cyril's College is doing its best to raise the patriotic feeling in our society. The exhibition is organized under the leadership of the Kerala Government Khadi Board by arranging an awareness class on the necessity of wearing Khadi dresses one day a week by the government directive and an opportunity for them to purchase. Assistant Registrar, Kerala Khadi and Village Industries Office, Pathanamthitta Mr Pradeep Kumar TS delivered the keynote speech and Shaiju H, Junior Superintendent, Kerala Khadi and Village Industries Office, Pathanamthitta made felicitation during the function.

Problems encountered:

- The cost is a main factor for khadi products. Even though subsidies are provided by the government the price is still a main reason for it's decreased demand.
- Lack of availability of Khadi products in all shops.

2) TITLE OF THE PRACTICE: THREE-DAY ORIENTATION PROGRAMME FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

Objectives of the Practice:

- To help the students feel comfortable in the new environment and adjust to the customs and practices of the college.
- To enable the students to become familiar with the amenities and accessing the intellectual and physical resources of the institutions
- To enable the students to understand and have better relationship with the faculty members for setting the pace of fruitful teaching learning experiences.
- Introducing the student support systems of the college.

The Context:

- The main context of the practice is to socializing new students with senior students, students' union, Lectures by Eminent People etc. Also, the students were given opportunity to visit to Department and important places on campus, local area, city and so on.
- To make them aware with the rules, regulations and student support in the campus
- To make them familiar with the various Subject lectures, study skills, small-group activities, physical activity, creative and performing arts, literary activities, universal human values, etc.

The Practice:

A student induction program (SIP) is a set of activities that help new students settle into their new environment and get to know the institution's culture and ethos. SIPs typically include:

- Socializing: Meeting other students, the student union, and senior students
- Associating: Visiting the university, departments, and other important places on campus
- Governing: Learning about rules and regulations, student support, and other governing aspects
- Experiencing: Participating in subject lectures, study skills, small-group activities, and other activities

Evidence of Success:

- Mentor-mentee system in the college is employed for the follow-up action apart from the involvement of the HoD and class teacher. Mentors meet the mentees regularly and discuss about students' progress and welfare and at the end of every semester it should be documented and the documents should be maintained in the department.
- Follow-up of each student is discussed with the parents during class PTA meetings.
- Regular evaluation of Students Induction Programme

Problems encountered and Resources Required:

- Giving new Starters too much information at once will lead to various confusions.
- Not fully utilizing the digital support available in the campus

