#### 7.2 BEST PRACTICES

# 1. Title of the Practice (1):

#### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMS**

#### 2. Objectives of the Practice:

- a) To generate awareness about health / social / economic issues prevailing in the vicinity of the Institution
- b) To invite and felicitate persons with noteworthy achievements in order to motivate the youth and the student community.
- c) To identify affected areas / people and provide relief and assistance during natural calamities, epidemics, emergencies, etc.
- d) To carry out surveys / sample testing / etc. to improve the general conditions in the area

#### 3. Context:

#### 2017-18

# 1. Felicitating Padmashri Awardee Smt. Sukri Bommu Gowda



Smt. Sukri Bomma Gouda is a folk singer belonging to the Halakki Vokkaliga tribe in Badgeri village of Ankola. She has received several awards, including the Padma Shri, one of India's highest civilian honours, for her contributions to the arts, and her work in preserving traditional tribal music. She is fondly known as "**Nightingale of Halakkis**". On 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017, the Government of India awarded her the Padma Shri, the country's fourth highest civilian award.

# 2018-19

# 1. Financial help to family of Miss Kavita Nagesh Gouda, studying in BA V Semester at G. C. College Ankola



The house of Kavita Nagesh Gouda, studying in BA V semester in our College, and residing at Agasur village was damaged in a thunder storm. Her four family members were also injured. She had sought financial help from the College.

# 2019-20

1. Felicitating Ex Serviceman (BSF) Ganesh Naik, Bobruwada Ankola.



Our soldiers are fighting on the Indian borders day and night without any rest or respite. They protect our people and our country from the attacks of terrorists. They have vowed to keep every single day of ours safe and secure. We acknowledge their service and are very grateful to every soldier of this country for being the bravest of heroes who go through the pain and struggles in order to provide us with a peaceful life.

# 2. Flood Relief Operations

oon as we received the information, we constituted two group of Teachers and students to visit each village completely flooded by the incessant rains on 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019. One team visited Shiroor, Chandumath and Vasrekudargi and the other team visited Singanmakki, Dongre, Ramanguli and Shegadgeri. They collected information of approximate losses due to the flood situation. The homes of some of our students were also affected.









#### 3. Social Outreach Programme during Covid-19 pandemic.

Distribution of Grocery and health kits to families living in Ager Colony, Vandige, Ankola during Covid-19 pandemic.



# 2020-21

# a) Flood ReliefOperations at Manjaguni

Manjaguni village and surrounding areas near the Gangavali River were completely flooded by the incessant rains during the night of 23-24 July 2021. Almost all

# b) FelicitatingPadmashri Awardee Smt.Tulsi Gouda

Smt. Tulsi Gouda is an Indian environmentalist from Honnali village, Ankola taluk. She has planted more than 30,000 saplings and looks after the nurseries of the Forest

# c) Interaction with artiste, Shankhanada Aravind

Artist and Social worker Aravind, popularly known as Aravind of shankhanada was originally from Machikoppa village of Koppa taluk. As a character artist, Aravind the households/ petty shops on the banks of the river were inundated with water and mud. People had to evacuate their homes immediately carrying nothing except the clothes that they were wearing. They were shifted to the Govt. Care Centres created at schools situated on higher ground.

Department. Her work has honoured the Government of India and other organisations. In 2021, the Government India awarded her the Padma Shri, the country's fourth highest civilian award.

carved a niche for himself in the industry. He acted as many as 250 films in his career, spanning about 50 years.







#### 4. The Practice:

#### 2017-18

Smt. Sukri Gouda hails from Ankola and has received one of the highest honours of the country. The Halakki women sing about everything one cannot imagine, from fantasy to daily life chores, from marriage to protest. Sukri Ajji, as she is fondly known, began singing at an early age along with her mother. She has a collection of more than 5000 songs which have been passed on for generations while she has added on some of her own over the past several decades. Sukri Ajji has been honoured with prestigious awards like Janapada Shri Award, Naduja Award and the Alva Nudisri Award. As she is from Ankola taluk itself and serves as a great motivation to students, the College thought it would be apt to felicitate her for her achievement.



#### 2018-19

1. College staff members, office bearers and Kanara Welfare Trust contributed an amount of Rs.40,000/-. Among this, the staff council has contributed an amount of Rs. 15,000/- and Kanara Welfare Trust has contributed an amount of Rs. 10,000/-.



#### 2019-20

1. As a part of best practices of our college, this year on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2017 we felicitated Exserviceman BSF Shri Ganesh Naik who is an alumni of our College. After the flag hoisting, Shri Ganesh Naik addressed the student community. He advised our students to develop patriotism, national integrity right from their student life and motivated them to join the Indian Defence Service. He also said a soldier sacrifices their lives in order to protect a million other lives. The soldiers do not get to lead a very comfortable life every day but still they dutifully protect their own country. They carry out their duty with a badge of honor and hence they are so committed towards it.

As he is from Bobrawada village of Ankola taluka itself and serves as a great motivation to students, the College thought it would be apt to felicitate his for her achievement.

2. The approximate budget of flood relief amounted to Rs.44,595 which was sponsored by teacher, students and non-teaching staffs of Gokhale Centenary College for carrying out community and social outreach programs.



3. During lockdown of covid-19 pandemic our college NSS unit distributed grocery kits and health kits to Vandige Ager Colony families. On this visit our NSS volunteers educated the people of that locality about the guidelines of Covid-19 lock down issued by the Government.



#### 2020-21

As soon as we received the information, we immediately visited the affected places and took stock of the situation. The district administration had provided only accommodation and food. One Health Officer with the assistance of an Asha worker was entrusted with the task of providing medical attention to the affected people in the entire Manjaguni area.



Total cost of the relief amounted materials to Rs.80,187 which was sponsored by Kruger Foundation for Child Aid, Karwar. Gokhale Centenary College has an MoU with the Foundation for carrying out community and social outreach programs.

Smt. Tulsi Gouda hails from Ankola and has received one of the highest honours of the country.

She is known as the "Encyclopedia of the Forest" for her ability to recognise the mother tree of any species of tree.

Despite having no formal education, she had made immense contribution towards preserving the environment.

As she is from Ankola taluka itself and serves as a great motivation to students, the College thought it would be apt to felicitate her for her achievement.



On the occasion of his recent visit to Ankola, a place where he portrayed his talent in his initial theatre days, Management invited him to visit the College and share his life experiences with the M.Sc. Post Graduate students. He was given a warm welcome by organizers the and felicitated in a traditional way on 02-03-2021.



students are exposed only to programs & workshops pertaining to their subject. The organizers thought it would be a nice departure from the routine to listen to a creative personality.

# 5. Evidence of Success

# 2017-18

The felicitation program was carried out on 19th September 2017





# 2018-19

The collected amount of Rs. 25,000 was handed over to Miss Kavita Nagesh Gouda family on 09/10/2018.

# 2019-20

1. The felicitation programme was carried out on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2020





2. After conducting enquiries and talking with the people and our students, the visiting team team made an approximate budget of losses and collected an amount of Rs. 44,595 from the teachers, students and non-teaching staff. the collected amount was distributed to the students on the eve of the Trust's Founder, Dr. Dinakar Desai birthday on 11-09-2019.



3. Our NSS volunteers with NSS programme officer along with other staff members prepared kits consisting of essential grocery and medical items, worth rupees 500 each. These kits were distributed to 25 families by our NSS volunteers on 22-04-2020.





#### 2020-21

distribution During the process, District In-charge Minister, Shri Shivaram Hebbar along with Deputy Commissioner – Mr. Mullai Muhilan, Zilla Panchayat CEO – Ms. Priyanga and other officials visited the Care Centre. The Honourable Minister was very appreciative about the efforts made by the Institution in mitigating the sufferings of the flood affected people. The beneficiaries also

The felicitation program was carried out on 03-12-2021.



In his inimitable way, Shri Aravind spoke about his life and struggles in his chosen field. He narrated his life experiences through humorous anecdotes, bringing a smile on the faces of the students and at the same time unraveling the layers of his life & career.

The students and faculty members followed his address with rapt attention and later interacted with him on a personal level. There were communicated their gratitude to the Institution.



many take away lessons from this session and the students could gain valuable inputs about the creative side of life.



# 6. Problems encountered and resources required

- a. As this was a natural calamity, it was very difficult to predict further deterioration in the weather conditions.
- b. Reaching the affected areas with relief materials was a challenge.
- c. The primary requirements during such times are clean drinking water, food, shelter, sanitation and basic medical care. As the incessant rains affected the whole state, procuring relief materials was a very difficult task.
- d. Ankola is a small town and the required quantity of materials (blankets, bedsheets, etc.) was hard to come by. We had to source such items from outside the taluka.

#### 1. Title of the Practice (2):

#### EARN WHILE YOU LEARN SCHEME

#### 2. Objectives of the Practice:

- a) To mitigate the hardships which students from economically backward families often face by providing them with a small source of income.
- b) To inculcate dignity of labour, including value of hard work among students.
- c) To enhance the skills adding to employability, strengthening of resourcefulness to take up better jobs in the future, development of personal interest and preference in the fields of learning.
- d) To enable students to draw insight into the world of work, know career prospects, acquire job skills, develop interpersonal relations, and cultivate social skills, enhance employment prospects, increase industrial contacts, improve self-confidence, job knowledge, job-seeking skills, attitude towards practical reasoning, develop greater maturity, and demonstrate competencies.

# 3. Context:

The 'Earn While You Learn' scheme has been introduced with a view to inculcate appropriate skill set and knowledge amongst the students while providing them with a small source of income.

The payment of students under the scheme are met with funds provided by the Management.

This scheme is primarily meant to help the students to work and support their education on one side and acquire skills guaranteeing employability on the other. It at once mitigates economic hardships of learning and enhances the adaptable efficiency of the learner.

#### 4. The Practice:

Students of the College, many of whom were from financially backward families, assisted in the Library along with their studies. Details of the same are as below.

Year	Students enrolled	Period of working	Total Amount earned
2017-18	11	Feb, Mar, Apr 2017	Rs.8,775
2018-19	53	Aug to Dec 2018	Rs.14,647
2019-20	Nil	Covid Period (Online Classes)	-
2020-21	Nil	Covid Period(Online Classes)	-
2021-22	12	Jan- Feb 2021 and Oct-Dec 2021	Rs.5675

The students were engaged for jobs such as the following

- a) Cataloguing the books data entry and bar coding
- b) Arrangement and display of books
- c) Repair of damaged books
- d) Issue and return of books

# 5. Evidence of Success:

The scheme has served to transform higher education into a self-directed, personal, life-related enterprise and to motivate students to learn better and successfully complete their academic assignments with an added incentive to earn.







# 6. Problems encountered and resources required:

- a. The work was easy and simple to understand. No major problems were encountered while engaging in the given tasks. However, the nature of work was very limited.
- b. The funds were limited and hence only a pre-fixed amount could be given as remuneration to the students.

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