



BEST PRACTICE 2022-2023

BEST PRACTICE: 1

TITLE OF THE PRACTICE:

SOFT SKILLS TRAINING (TANSICHE SPONSORED)

Objectives of the Practice:

- To enhance and develop the interpersonal, communication, and behavioural skills of undergraduate students
- Improve the ability to deliver clear and engaging presentations
- To sensitise students towards becoming a holistically developed individuals to cater to the needs of the job market

The Context:

Most of the students pursuing undergraduate programmes in our institution are first generation graduates and are from a socially and economically challenged strata of the society. They lack communication skills which is a prerequisite for any job. Moreover, students who have a considerable knowledge in their subjects are unable to convey it in English. So, in order to equip the students to be employable the Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSICHE) has initiated this skill development training programme to the students of the selected government colleges. This training has been offered consecutively for more than three years in our college.

The Practice:

500 final year undergraduates of our college were shortlisted for the programme. 50 hours of training was offered to them on the most crucial components of soft skills. Faculty members of the PG and Research Department of English of our college, offered this training to the students. An external expert was also employed for the same. Students enthusiastically participated in the programme

Evidence of Success:

An entry level test was conducted to observe the level of understanding of the students. Similarly, an exit test too was conducted after the training programme. Based on the comparative analysis of their performance in the tests conducted it was evident that there was a significant improvement in their communication skills.

Problems encountered and resources required:

Since this training was offered apart from the class hours, students who had opted for part-time jobs and those pursuing other courses like typewriting etc. had difficulty in

attending the training programme. Due to paucity of technically-enabled classrooms the resources that were used in the training were not used to its optimum level.

About the Institution

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BEST PRACTICE: 2

TITLE OF THE PRACTICE: **NIELIT PROTSAHAN PURASKAR SCHEME**

Objectives of the Practice:

- To facilitate the acquisition of technical knowledge to students with financial difficulties
- To empower the students through additional skills to enhance their employability
- To foster a culture of innovation and personal development

The Context

The National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT), formerly known as DOEACC (Department of Electronics and Accreditation of Computer Courses), extends its offerings to various accredited courses in the fields of information technology and electronics. This scholarship scheme, specifically designed for SC/ST/Physically challenged and female students, provides a monthly scholarship of Rs. 1000.

NIELIT provides a diverse range of courses, spanning O, A, B, and C levels, tailored to different skill levels and objectives. The courses come complete with comprehensive and well-structured study materials, enriching the learning experience by enhancing both theoretical concepts and practical applications. In collaboration with the esteemed faculty members of Elysium Technologies, Madurai, the courses aim to equip students with the knowledge and skills necessary for engaging in project-based learning within cutting-edge technology.

The Practice

Launched in 2021, this course actively fosters innovation among students. Selection for this program is based on the interest of SC/ST students and is open to those pursuing degrees in Computer Applications, Computer Science, Mathematics, and Physics. The 'O' level (IT) course spans 540 learning hours, with a minimum completion period of one year for candidates undergoing 'O' Level.

Evidence of Success:

In 2021, 39 students from various eligible undergraduate programs enrolled in the course, and 24 students successfully completed it within the stipulated time frame. This additional certification, coupled with their academic degrees, undoubtedly enhances students' prospects in the job market, especially concerning placement opportunities.

NIELIT courses serve as a stepping stone for further specialisation. Students are encouraged to consider pursuing higher levels or complementary certifications to enhance their skills.

Problems encountered and resources required:

Owing to the requirement of resources, the practical sessions for the training had to be offered by the training partner at their venue which was a difficulty reported by the student beneficiaries.

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