

7.2 Best Practices

1. Collegiate system
2. Green policy
3. ICT applications to academic and administrative functions, Faculty Development and Faculty Mentoring System, Excellence in teaching and research, Student Involvement in Specialised Dedicated Research Centres, Single Window System: A great system for administrative reforms.
4. Pillars of Dedication, Free Courses for the Development of the Society, Hydroponics(Soil free farming), Community Clubs, Student Managed Youth Festivals,
5. Well functional regulatory bodies like IQAC, Various Task-forces, Cells, Women Grievance cell, Anti-ragging committees and Anti-ragging Squads, Placement cells; functional Environmental Policy for university and Green Calendar; regular organization of curricular and co-curricular activities viz. talks, seminars, symposiums, workshops, conferences, sports and cultural activities and extensive extension and outreach activities are some of the Best Practices of the University.
6. Development of skills for employing unemployed students.
7. Entrepreneur development through incubation.
8. Reacting the farmer education to students.
9. Green campus.
10. Alternative energy.

Annexure- Best Practice- I

Title: Collegiate system

Collegiate System at Suresh Gyan Vihar University

Suresh Gyan Vihar University has introduced an innovative Collegiate System and proudly announces that one and the only university having Collegiate System in India.

Aims and Objectives:-

To foster fraternity among students & to ensure a creative learning environment amongst peers. The system aims at imbibing harmony, cooperation and mutual respect through cultural exchange.

Structure:-

Presently, the university has six colleges. Their names have been dedicated to the hero's of India, who sacrificed their life for the nation. (i) Ashfaquallah (ii) ManuKarnika (iii) PannaDhay (iv) Bismil (v) BirsaMunda (vi) Surya Sen. Each college is led by a 'Master' and supported by 'Fellows'. It comprises of a group of students residing in one of the above mentioned houses as well as affiliated day scholars, faculty and administrative staff members. Every student is assigned to a specific collegiate which is independent of his/her study program, year of study, state, country/region and gender, which makes the system diverse and interdisciplinary. The members have regular interaction among themselves throughout the year. Further, through this concept, the members of each college come into contact with people of inter and intra- collegiate and help in developing a social and harmonious group/network.

Activities:-

These colleges are organizing various academic, co-curricular and social activities throughout the year to develop leadership, team spirit, mutual respect and camaraderie among collegiate. For participation in various activities various prizes and awards have been instituted by the university

Best Practice-II

Title: Green Policy

Objectives: The objectives of introducing Green policy are

- a. To introduce ideas of development of environment and ecology in every thought and action in the entire university.
- b. To set greenery as the top priority in all decisions. The ideas of giving top priority to ecology, nature and environment must be implemented in our day-to-day life and must be part of all our thoughts and actions.
- c. To involve students in protecting and developing environment. These initiatives must be based on involvement of everyone in the University to ensure spread of these ideas.

Context:

Climate change and water crisis are the biggest issues facing entire planet. These issues will decide the fate of the future generations. There is a need of initiatives to protect and preserve environment at all levels. Participation of students in these initiatives will help us in creating champions for environment for a better future. The university has been pioneer in introducing required initiatives to infuse the spirit of environment consciousness among students and academic fraternity.

Initiatives: -

Suresh Gyan Vihar University has adopted Green Policy as its fundamental doctrine. The green policy has following significant pillars: -

- a. Tree Plantation and Greenery.
- b. Solar Energy.
- c. Energy Conservation Initiative.
- d. Promotion of Eco-friendly Technologies.
- e. Paper Less Offices.
- f. 100% Water Recycling.
- g. Raising Awareness about Climate Change, Water, Forests and Ecology.
- h. Community forums on environment.
- i. Green audit every year.

These points are explained as below: -

- a. **Tree Plantation and Greenery** - The university has undertaken massive tree plantation. Students, faculty members and volunteers join to undertake plantations and take oath to protect and preserve trees. The campus has over 1000 lush green trees on its campus. Many dignitaries join the plantation initiatives of the university.
- b. **Solar Energy** – the University has 2968Kwh solar plants to ensure that the university is using green energy and is contributing to the ecology and environment positively.
- c. **Energy Conservation Initiative** – the university has organized energy conservation initiatives, awareness program and initiatives towards greener world.
- d. **Promotion of Eco-friendly Technologies** – the university has many research centers and centers of excellence exclusively on green technologies and environment protection. These initiatives have resulted in publication of a large number of research papers in these sectors. A large number of technologies have also been developed and a few patents have also been applied.
- e. **Paper Less Offices** – the university has been taking every initiative possible to promote environment, protect and conserve scarce environmental resources. Efforts are made to move towards paperless office. The university has introduced online LMS, which enables the university to distribute study materials including eBooks and presentations among the students through the online mode.
- f. **100% Water Recycling** – the university has been pioneer in implementing 100% water recycling. Due to efforts like this the University has received many accolades, rewards and recognition as Green campus.
- g. **Raising Awareness about Climate Change, Water, Forests and Ecology** - regular events, conferences, workshops and public awareness programs are being organized. The

University organizes annual program titled C3W, which is an acclaimed international program on Climate Change and Water Crisis.

h. **Community forums on environment** – students have voluntarily created a student community titled Green Community to spread greenery and environment protection.

i. **Green Audit every year.**

Evidence of Success:

The green policy has achieved its desired goals and these achievements are for the benefit of the entire planet. The university has been able to generate most of its energy requirements through solar energy. The university has converted into a green and beautiful campus, where students and faculty try to promote environment consciousness. The C3W of the University has become a very popular event among academicians and students. A large number of environmentalists including Sri Rajendra-Singh visited the University year after year and interact with the students.