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Library Best Practices:

1. Library best user award

Goal of the Practice: To attract more students to visit the library and use the resources.

The Process: Data is gathered through visitor register maintained in the library. Usage data is compiled through circulation of library items. Based on the above data and the observations of the librarian one best user award are given to the student who has made maximum use of the library. Cash/book in the form of award is given to best user from the each discipline

Impact of the Practice: Increase in frequency of visits to the library. Increase in the use of library reference materials.

Resources required: Finance for instituting awards. Maintenance /Monitoring of user statistics. Commitment from librarian and support of management is also required









2. Library book exhibition:

Goal of the Practice: The goal is to make awareness among the students on the latest books available in their subjects

The Process: A set of reputed book publishers and distributors are invited to display the recent books in the exhibition

Impact of the Practice: Book selection process is possible for the faculty members and the students are interested to buy books for their information needs.

Resources required Sufficient space needs to be provided to the booksellers to exhibit their collections. It can be enlarged in future by inviting the database vendors to display digital resources











3. Compact storage of less used collection:

Goal of the Practice: Every Library have its less used collection. Over a period of time these collection will increase due to the syllabus changes, out dated contents etc. This will reduces the chances of the popular book to draw the attention of its users due to crowded less used books. Hence it was felt appropriate to separate the less used collection and shift to the compact shelving

The Process: The process of separating less used collection is done with the help of circulation data and the suggestions of Faculty and Students. These less used books are being stored in the compact storage unit. As all these books are already in the digital database, their location will be shown on dormitory storages. Once the user searches the OPAC and demand for any of these less used collections. The Library staff can find and supply the required book and replace after its use.

Resources required: The major problem of less used books can be reduced to zero. At the same time intellectual knowledge contained in these less used books will be retained for the reference of the future generation. User's time in retrieving the documents also is saved.

Impact of the Practice: Compact Storage furniture, necessary building/ Space, Identification though OPAC

4. Student participative programme

Goal of the Practice: The goal of the practice is to involve students in the maintenance of the library and thereby inculcate service mindedness in them on the one hand and library consciousness on the other

Impact of the Practice: Development of a positive outlook and attitude in students and awareness about the value of a library and its services. In addition, the maintenance staff is benefited by the assistance of students.

The Process: Dedicated professional staff to guide students. A Minimum fund and the consent of the management is required

Resources required: A large number of students have opted for this programme and now the number is restricted making the programme effective





Merit students:

Goal of the Practice: To follow S. R. Ranganathan's five laws of Library science.

Impact of the Practice: Library provides books for the whole year to the meritorious students in the particular semester. Students who stands in order of merit from their class in the particular semester examination.

The Process: Library collects information from office about students status and collect the record and provide the books.

Resources required: Library doesn't had any grant from social welfare for book bank scheme. So for just to provide resources library provide books from regular purchasing.

5. Inter Library Loan Service

Goal of the Practice: To follow S. R. Ranganathan's five laws of Library science.

Impact of the Practice: Library users expect to get the materials they request quickly.

Interlibrary loan (abbreviated ILL, and sometimes called interloan, interlending, document delivery, document supply, or interlibrary services, abbreviated ILS) is a service whereby a patron of one library can borrow books, DVDs, music, etc. and/or receive photocopies of documents that are owned by another library. The user makes a request with their home library; which, acting as an intermediary, identifies libraries with the desired item, places the request, receives the item, makes it available to the user, as well as arranges for its return.

The Process: Here in Morshi, a Taluka place, two main colleges are here. So to provide reading materials or literatures we make memorandum of understanding with Bhartiya Mahavidyalaya and try to fulfill the needs of the users. Quite beneficial some users use this service.

Resources required: Understanding between Libraries.

6. Information Literacy program:

Goal of the Practice: Creating awareness on library resources, facilities and services among new users and thus to ensure optimum use.

Impact of the Practice: This is orientation programme to fresher's who have joined the college during the academic year. Instruction and presentation on use of catalogue and familiarization with organization of collection, type of resources available and range of services provided is highlighted. Information on rules and membership enrollment is

provided. Students are taken on conducted library tours in groups to familiarize with various sections of

The Process: Encourage students to use the library by motivation. Inculcate reading habits and self study among the students particularly undergraduate students.

Resources required: Preparation of presentations, lectures, manpower to do so and promotional materials is required













6.Chatradarpan

Goal of the Practice: Creating awareness and motivation about students writing qualities. As

special innovative activities of the library Chatradarpan has been started with the help of the

students.

Impact of the Practice: This is display activity. Students themselves come forward and maintain

literature themselves. Under this activity the students display their articles, thought on current

event, poems, which help other students in making their personality. By seeing response of the

students we published this material in college magazine.

The Process: Encourage students to use the display boards. Inculcate writing habits.

Resources required: Display boards and maintains.

7. Opportunities for you

Goal of the Practice: Creating awareness about vancacies.

Impact of the Practice: This is display activity. Students regularly saw the opportunities and

vacancies, advertisement from different news papers and magazine for the vocational guidance

of the students.

The Process: Paper, journals, Employment news cuttings.

Resources required: Display boards and maintenance.

Vocational guidance and counseling is provided to the student by displaying current

advertisement from different news papers and magazine for the vocational guidance of the

students

8. Elocution Competition:

Goal of the Practice: The goal of the Elocution competition is to encourage the skills and

talents related to the art of speaking in public for the goal of sharing one's view.

Impact of the Practice: This is done annually by the library, in an attempt to promote speaking skills, in terms of pronunciation, delivery, and voice modulation, and to develop language. Students get courage and to speak they collected some knowledge from books, journals, newspapers.

The Process: Notice was placed and help of the concern teachers was take.

Resources required: Class room, judges and participants.









Book donate scheme for students:

There is a huge demand for university core texts and higher-level academic books, the cost of which can be prohibitive for many institutions and individuals. Additionally, many colleges lack the funds or infrastructure to fund subscriptions to online resources.

Students are therefore often unable to access the books they need within their place of study and those that are available are often old and out-of-date.

This poses obvious challenges to students' own learning but also to the wider development of knowledge and expertise in these fields of study. So we request to the students they can donate a book to the library on their Birthday. From last 3 years we get good response from the students and collected 15 books in this activity.

Innovative best practices:

NSS Readers Club:

Goal of the Practice: Creating reading habits among students. The right place to get a comprehensive knowledge is your club. A place where you can express your own thoughts, your own writing in front of others.

Impact of the Practice: Increase the morale of the students. (To create opportunities to speak to people at different places). Making an opinion free to everyone, creating new friends and discussing different topics.

The Process: This is annual one time activity by the Librarian in a NSS Camp. While Residential camp is going on as a Program Officer, Libraian call out the meeting of the students and told them the procedure of the reader club and continues follow up of the students.

Resources required: Interested students and reading material.

NSS Poster Presentation:

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Resources required: Interested students and reading material.

Dr. S. R. Ranganathan Jayanti Celebration:

