

## **Agnihotri College of pharmacy wardha**

### **Best Practice 1:**

Title: Agnihotri College of Pharmacy Initiative for Environmental Awareness and Sustainability

#### **Goals:**

- a. To inspire and educate students, teachers, and supporting staff about the environment.
- b. To foster a connection between students and nature, promoting sensitivity, awareness, and respect for the environment.
- c. To instill a set of principles for the preservation of the environment.
- d. To actively involve individuals in environmental decision-making at all levels.

#### **Context:**

Given the pressing global climate crisis, Agnihotri College of Pharmacy recognizes the utmost importance of environmental consciousness. The institution is committed to establishing stringent environmental standards and acknowledging and appreciating practices that lead in environmental innovation. Through advocating for environmental policies, promoting awareness, and encouraging local participation in conservation efforts, the college considers it a fundamental responsibility to raise awareness about the deteriorating environmental conditions and encourage the adoption of eco-friendly practices.

#### **Practice:**

To support the goals of environmental awareness and sustainability, the following initiatives have been implemented on campus:

1. **Implementation of energy-saving methods:** The College has embraced various energy-saving measures, such as the use of LED lighting throughout the campus. Additionally, a 12 kW solar energy system has been installed, providing access to renewable and clean energy sources. Sensor-based energy-saving systems have also been implemented, further promoting energy efficiency.

2. **Women's Day Celebration:** In conjunction with International Women's Day on March 8, 2022, the Institute's NSS Division organized a Women's Day event. A total of college students actively attended the women's empowering program.

3. **National Voter Day:** On 25 Jan 2022, the institute organized a National Voter Day in the college. This event saw the participation of all college students.

4. **National Constitution Day:** On November 26, 2022, the institute organized a National Constitution Day in the college to provide knowledge of the constitution and its power.

#### **5. Evidence of success:**

- a. The campus has successfully implemented the use of renewable and sustainable energy sources, such as LED lamps.
- b. The generation of green power through solar modules has significantly reduced the reliance on conventional power generation methods.
- c. Students and teachers have been encouraged to practice energy and resource conservation by saving electricity, paper, and money.

#### **6. Problems encountered and resources required:**

At times, it can be challenging to educate students and staff about the existence of degradable substances. Implementing environmental practices and awareness programs can help overcome these obstacles.

## **1. Title of the practice:**

Engaging Alumni for Student Development

## **2. Goals:**

- a. Utilize the knowledge and experience of alumni across various fields to enhance the technical and competency-based skills of current students.
- b. Enhance the overall involvement of alumni in the development of students and the college.

## **3. The Context:**

Alumni hold a special place in the hearts of most institutions. An effective alumni engagement program can serve multiple purposes for a higher education institution, whether it be supporting fundraising efforts, boosting athletic revenue, or attracting new student enrollments.

## **4. The Practice:**

Various initiatives have been implemented on campus to involve alumni in student development, including:

- Updating the alumni directory on the college website.
- Encouraging alumni to share their insights and contributions, as well as upload recorded talks, lectures, videos, etc.

## **5. Achievements:**

Non-teaching staff members have greatly benefited from training sessions on laboratory best practices.

The success of students in job interviews has been attributed to alumni's motivation and training.

There has been a noticeable improvement in students' comprehension of patents and their practical applications.

Enhancing alumni engagement on social media has resulted in increased quality and quantity of interactions.

## **6. Challenges and resource needs:**

Continuous financial support is essential for upgrading infrastructure and technology, conducting specialized technical training sessions, and fostering entrepreneurship and skill development.