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BEST PRACTICES FOR THE YEAR 2022 - 23

BEST PRACTICE-1

TITLE:- LEGAL KNOWLEDGE FROM LAB TO LAND (Legal Aid and Awareness)

GOAL:- The goal of the practice is to make the common people be aware of their rights. They are also informed of the available process through which they can have an easy access to the legal remedies. Through this practice, the students get an idea regarding, their future dealings with clients in their forthcoming professional life. It also helps in the academic evaluation of the students.

CONTEXT:- With the very spirit of humanism and commitment to the tenets of justice and rule of law, M Krishna Law College, has established the LEGAL AID AND RESEARCH CELL which is extremely instrumental in sensitizing the students to the cause of the indigent there by inculcating a spirit of social responsibility within them. The cell strives to ensure that the constitutional pledge is fulfilled in the letter and spirit and equal justices is made available to the poor, downtrodden and weaker sections of the society . The cell which had been running in a very informal way was crystallized and consolidated in a systematic Legal Aid and Research Cell in 2009, functioning in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority, Hassan and District Bar Association, Hassan.

Legal aid camps are conducted in some backward remote rural areas. The students go to these areas under the guidance of some senior faculties. The students approach the villagers and invite them to the camps with their legal problems. Judges and Senior Advocates are also invited to the camp to ensure that the remedy seekers are aptly advised. The services of the faculty are also provided as the members of the advisory panel during the camp. While

conducting these camps it is often found that most of the villagers are totally ignorant of their rights and remedies which are available to them in case of there is any violation of their nights and legal procedure.

The very highlighting feature of this cell is legal literacy and awareness programs conducted on a regular basis. In which volunteer students will be trained rigorously on the contemporary topics of much public relevance and have to organize the lecture programs in the schools and colleges under the guidance of senior faculty. Students usually choose the topics like, Right to Information, Right to Education, Rights of women and children, prevention of sexual exploitation, Gender justice, Dowry prohibition, Domestic violence, property rights, labour welfare schemes, Human rights etc.,

THE PRACTICE: Legal Aid and Research Cell is manned by Para –legal volunteers (Law students) with a sense of commitment, sensibility and sensitiveness to the problems of the common people who are being selected by the faculty in charge.

The cell is more-effectively functioning on outreach programs. The cell is proved to be one of the best methods of learning experience by transmitting the theoretical knowledge from lab to land. The cell is a dynamic tool of learning through which the students learn the techniques of interviewing, interaction, eliciting the relevant information from the client and to suggest possible remedies and the alternatives. The cell also enables the students to learn drafting notices, complaints petitions and in turn it helps the students to be socially responsive and committed. The cell maintains records and documents of various activities conducted by the cell including the list of advice seekers, the type of service rendered particulars of para —legal volunteers, the personnel's from the Bar and other related information.

EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS: Legal aid camps, literacy and awareness programs have been fruitful in providing legal advice, suggestions and awareness to the people who actually do not have necessary legal information.

These exercises have also become a learning process for the students. They gather practical knowledge regarding various cases by physically interacting with the people, which is not possible to gather in the classroom and through books. Students can relate the legal provisions with the practical problems of the people, so, understanding of the provisions become more clear.

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND RESOURCES REQUIRED:

Particularly, while organizing these camps, the teachers and the students sometimes find difficulty in convincing the villagers the benefits which these camps can bring to them. Fund among others to organize these camps and a programs has always been a matter of concern to the Institution to accommodate for the efficient working of the cell.

BEST PRACTICE - 2

TITLE: LIBRARY QUIZ

OBJECTIVE OF THE PRACTICE

Law Libraries provides law resources of study for students and the teachers to enrich their knowledge on the various subjects of legal studies. It is quite very inevitable in the day to day affairs of the institution teachers and students shall visit the library so frequently in order to find the useful material information in the process of their learning. As an initiative towards to inculcate the taste of interest amongst the students a everyday habit and practice of doing the visit to the College, refer the useful informative resources available like Online, Off line and others and they does the optimum use of these resources and advance their knowledge not only in the subjects of law but also in the General Knowledge, the institution decides to introduce a very unique exercise of conducting the quizzes in the library on a regular basis. This exercise would be an attempt for the institution to encourage the students to sit regularly in the library, inculcate in them the spirit of professionalism through having the patience reading habits on a regular basis and enrich their knowledge. Besides the reference for the preparation of assignment writing, seminar presentations, preparation of their own notes, research for clinical exercises, Moot Court exercises, legal Literacy programmes and preparation for the exams, students does visit the library to get the General Knowledge and keenly waiting to participate in the library quizzes.

CONTEXT

In order to mould and shape the students to acquire the professional discipline. A professional in law in order to lead a case before the court of law is required to undertake the research for appropriate laws, case studies and thorough study of case file to understand the problem that need to be contested before the

various courts. So the habit of patience reading on a regular basis helps the students to develop this attitude will be helpful for the future career.

THE PRACTICE

Library Quizzes are conducted without being informed the students in advance. The Quiz is conducted amongst the students who will be present in the library, normally in the afternoon after the regular class hours. The Quiz normally carry the questions besides the legal issues, legal developments, the questions pertaining to political, social, cultural, sports etc., based on daily newspapers and magazines subscribed in the library. A quiz carries the maximum of 10 questions. This practice has indeed resulted in generating the sense and habit of doing the regular library visits and get the maximum use of the benefits of the library.

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