SARASWATHI NARAYANAN COLLEGE



(Autonomous Institution Affiliated to Madurai Kamaraj University)
(Reaccredited with Grade B (2.78) by NAAC)
(DST-FIST Funded Institution)
Perungudi, Madurai - 625 022.

BEST PRACTICES

I. Green Drive

Objectives

- ➤ To create environmental awareness among internal and external stake holders and make the college campus green affluent.
- > To drive for environmental solutions towards a sustainable future
- ➤ To aspire for innovative solutions to environmental challenges
- To drive a culture of good environmental practice

Context

Today our mother earth is smothered with environmental pollution in the form of air, water and land pollution. Quality of Human Life has become miserable in the face of climate change, global warning, and increasing quantum of greenhouse gases. For the earth to survive, the pollution must be abated.

Practice

Planting of sapling has been a regular and committed practice of the institution because trees are instrumental in purifying air by absorbing the green houses gases and giving out oxygen. Limited use of air conditioner, energy efficient lights, proper disposal of waste materials, economical use of water resource and electric energy, keeping reduced carbon footprints with isolated vehicle parkings, maintaining good eco system to have a good interaction with flora and fauna in a healthy environment keep the campus green rich. Eco club instils green consciousness among students continuously and consistently.

Evidence of Success

The success of this effort is exhibited with clean and oxygen rich campus, rich profile of flora and fauna, rich water resources, reduced pollution level, fresh air, concrete and good green cover, economic use of electric power.

Challenges

Maintenance of green cover in perfect fashion poses challenges. However, the college takes suitable measures to cope with these challenges

II. Gender Sensitization

Objectives

- ➤ To make the students understand the social and cultural constructions of gender that shapes the experiences of women.
- To generate awareness in regard to gender equity enshrined in the various laws related to women in India.
- ➤ To make the students gender sensitive and create positive values that supports the girl students and their rights.
- ➤ To inculcate an egalitarian behavior to foster gender equality.

Context

Gender Sensitization is a need of the hour on women's rights and legal provisions for women in India. With the changing times and changing gender roles, it is important to spread awareness. Gender insensitivity and inequality, patriarchy need for woman empowerment, lack of safety of women and inclusion and gender injustice makes the context for the gender sensitization.

Practice

The schedule of the college is punctuated with constructive gender sensitization seminars and workshops to sensitize the students to gender justice through the Women Empowerment Cell. These gender-challenge specific programmes are of great value to instill gender equity consciousness among the

students. The vocational training prepares the girl students to be self-employed and to develop employability skills to win a definite space in the society.

Evidence of success

The college witnesses a warm relationship between female and male students fostering mutual respect, mutual cooperation, mutual academic help, mutual worship of human relationship and mutual empathy.

Challenges

Inadequate attention of a few students is a major challenge. However, the college identifies such students and the suitable advice is given to them.