



K.S.N GOVT. DEGREE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

(ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015, ISO 50001:2011 CERTIFIED COLLEGE)

(Re-accredited by NAAC with "B" Grade)

Behind RTO Office, Bhairava Nagar, Ananthapuramu-515002

(Affiliated to SK University, Ananthapuramu)



BEST PRACTICE

Title of the Practice: College Attached Hostel: Empowering Rural Women

Objectives: Empowering rural women through student support initiatives
Providing opportunity to rural women students to continue their education
Preventing dropouts Increasing admissions Ensuring maximum enrolment for sanctioned intake

Context: Rural women often do not get an equal opportunity to gain access to higher education due to unavailability of higher education institutions in their areas. This lacuna creates a challenge to fulfil their dreams.

The Practice: the college aims to help them in overcoming this challenge by offering them residential facility. There are two hostel blocks Old and New with nearly 40 rooms. A student strength of 400 is accommodated in these two blocks. Two Full Time Lecturers are given the responsibility to act as Hostel Wardens during each academic year. The catering facility for the students is outsourced. The quality and nutritious value of the food is regularly checked by the two Hostel Wardens. There is an attached primary health centre in the hostel premises with first aid kits. The Women Empowerment Cell organizes health camps in which all the hostel inmates are given medical counseling and orientation about health and hygiene. The services of the outsourced scavenger hired by the college are utilized in maintaining cleanliness and sanitation in hostel dormitories, common and attached washrooms. The washrooms are cleaned everyday and the entire hostel block is sprayed with disinfectant at regular intervals. An outsourced day and night caretaker of the hostel is hired who resides on the campus along with his family.

Evidence of Success: There is a steady improvement in the student admission during the last 5 years. Students learn to work together, set goals, develop action

plans, with peer groups A stay in the college with their peers helps the students develop such attributes as empathy, team spirit, inclusiveness and social responsibility. As the students are spared to commute from villages everyday they find ample time to spend in learning process. This has considerably improved the pass percentage of the college.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required: There is increasing demand from the students to provide accommodation in the attached hostel. But the limited intake capacity is a challenge in accepting all the applications for admission into hostel. As it is a student managed hostel run exclusively to provide additional support and opportunity to the students, the college administration has to convince students to accept the minimum fee fixed for boarding and mess. The construction of an additional wing of the newly added hostel block sanctioned under RUSA scheme has to be stalled due to lack of required funds. Amount sanctioned by the government under the vasatideevena scheme offered by the government to hostel inmates is utilized by students to pay the required hostel fee.