

GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE, GARLA,

DIST: MAHABUBABAD

Department of Economics

BEST PRACTICE

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Title: Creating awareness about social welfare schemes in tribal areas

Objectives:

The Specific objective of this practice is to help the poor people in the tribal areas nearer to the Govt. Degree College, Garla. The tribal of this region are mostly from the rural pockets; they are from poor background and majority of people are uneducated. They are unable to pay the minimum admission and examination fees of their children. This practice tries to address the issue that no tribe should be remained economically poor due to the lack of awareness about the social welfare schemes offered by the State and Central governments. The steps involved in this practice are as follows:

- 1) Identifying the villager by the same village students
- 2) Assessing whether the identified villager is a beneficiary or not
- 3) Identifying the schemes related to the beneficiaries
- 4) Creating awareness about the schemes to the beneficiaries who are economically weak tribals
- 5) Explaining to the beneficiaries about the policies made by the government for their welfare.

Context:

When the students of the same village approach the poor people in the rural areas, they come to know that some of the tribes are unable to claim the social welfare schemes due to lack of awareness, even though they are eligible for many welfare schemes .

The students understood the real problem of the tribes. The students with generous heart decided to help the people to apply for the eligible schemes. This practice helped many unfortunate and poor people to support their day to day minimum needs required to lead a life of dignity and social security with these welfare schemes.

Real Practice:

This is practiced for more than two years. This practice helped the poor tribals to lead a secured and dignified life. This scheme is meant to protect the most vulnerable sections of society. Before the advent of this practice, schemes implemented as social security nets are meant for protecting the poor and vulnerable by providing a means to live a life of dignity and alleviating immediate distress. There is therefore a need for utmost care to be taken to ensure that no eligible poor or vulnerable are left out in the process.

The committed and dedicated students of this institution are willing to carry this practice not only when they are in this institution, even after their education in this college.

Evidence of Success:

Now, Due to this practice, in most of the villages nearer to the Govt. Degree College, Garla, the number of tribals who are unable to claim their deserved social welfare schemes has been decimated. There is a need to continue this practice until no tribal is left behind in utilizing the social welfare schemes.

Problems Encountered:

As in any practice, here too, there are many challenges. The lack of awareness among the eligible tribal people, and the lack of sufficient support and empathy from the concerned Government officials are some of the problems that this practice encountered. However, the students of the same village are able to create awareness among their villagers about these schemes, and the department of Economics interacted with the concerned officials to help the poor tribals with the schemes they are eligible for.

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