## 5.3.2 Presence of an active Student Council & representation of students on academic & administrative bodies/committees of the institution

## **Response:**

The Government Degree College for Women (Autonomus), Nampally, Hyderabad is a Government Institution. In accordance with the Central Government decision there is a ban on student elections in the college, however to encourage the participative role of students in the administration and to inculcate the spirit of democracy and leadership among the students, the college has adopted the 'Student Council system' wherein 02 nominated members called 'Class Representatives' (CRs) from each class are selected to perform the duties of the Student Council. Usually, the active and meritorious students of the class are nominated as CRs unanimously by the students. They have a WhatsApp group for effective communication and interaction.

## The functions of the students councils includes:

- The active participation of students in various academic and administrative bodies and committees help them to gain experience in conducting meetings, making decisions and organizational management .
- \* CRs and the Students Union play a vital role in the planning and conducting of various college events such as rallies, awareness campaigns, Fresher's Day, Teachers
- They receive guests, compere programs, and organise the whole event independently.

They also assist the administration in organising various programs such as Blood

Donations Camps, Campus Recruitment Drives and Fund-Raising events. \* As members of various committees, the CRs act as a bridge between the staff and

- students conveying the opinions and messages both ways. \* They represent their class in the common issues and grievances like drinking water,
- Sanitation and other issues when ever need arises. They encourage the students to participate in sports and cultural events, seminars and
- other events at the college level, cluster level, university & state level. \* They also play a crucial role in designing the Academic Calendar, and Curriculum and also provide suggestions in fixing the dates of examinations, vacation and re-
- They also undertake the responsibility of maintaining discipline and cleanliness of the
- The CRs propose ideas, place requests, and provide feedback to the administration in
- a democratic manner on various aspects to initiate corrective measures wherever
- \* Thus, under the supervision of teachers and the Principal, the students acquire administrative skills, civic responsibility, leadership qualities, problem solving skills and team spirit.

he following are the achievements of the CRs who were actively involved in major tecisions in academic and various development activities of the college:

- Actively participated in cultural events, guest lectures, seminars, conferences, workshops, National festivals, extension activities viz., rallies, community services, surveys etc.
- They assist the teacher Mentors in guidance and counseling of the mentees. Supported the faculty in organising learner-centric strategies like student seminar, group discussions etc.
- Motivated peers for active involvement in Swachch College and massive plantation programmes like Haritha Haram
- They also see "No Ragging" is practiced in the college premises.

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