DR.R.K.SHANMUGAM COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE

(Accredited by NAAC with 'B' Grade)
(Recognized u/s 2(f) & 12 (B) by UGC Act 1956)
(Permanently Affiliated to Thiruvalluvar University, Vellore)
(ISO 9001 – 2015 Certified Institution)
Indili, Kallakurichi - 606 213.

BEST PRACTICE ON "TEACHING LEARNING PROCESS"

Title of the Programme: **FLASH POINT (ZERO HOUR) PROGRAMME**

Meaning:

In the Flash Point Programme regular tests are conducted in the Zero Hour apart from test in regular class hours.

Goal:

The aim of this practice in this programme is to kindle thirst for knowledge in the Rural & Tribal students who are only dreaming of higher education. Economically poor and socially downtrodden, should enjoy the privilege of the higher education, is the principle of the programme.

Context:

Ours is a first Co-education self financing Institution in the region of Kallakurichi and Kalvarayan hills where the people belong to rural and tribal society. As most of the parents are illiterate, they want to give proper education to their children. Our students are going for part time jobs in the holidays to boost up their parents' earning which is unable to meet their basic needs due to poor economical status. So, they are happy to receive good standard college education at affordable cost. So we put fort our best efforts to satisfy the rural education system.

Practice:

Flash Point (Zero Hour) programme is being conducted in our institution to provide the stimulus to raise the learning standard of the students. We practice this programme in both Odd and Even semester of every academic year. A month before each semester, the Heads of all Departments will submit the work load along with time table to the Head of the Institution through the IQAC. This would be examined thoroughly and Zero Hour (Flash Point) Test would be added in all 6 Days order of a

week for all subjects and then passed to College Academic Council. Finally it would be implemented with the most care.

Evidence of the Success:

There is a record to register the performance of the students day-by-day. Students become aware of their educational status and find where they are weak and where they are strong. Accordingly the faculty members motivate the students to increase their concentration in the subject in which they are weak. This motivates the students to show good performance in the semester examinations. Also, we are able to verify the growth of individual student's performance.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

It is a fact that our students mostly come from rural and tribal region where they find poor public transportation facility and so they reach the campus with the help of the College Bus facilities. But a few students come from the remote villages with either poor road condition or nill transport facilities. So, they used to come by bicycle from their house to a nearby place where public transport is available to reach the institution. In such conditions, these students are not able to attend the Zero Hour (Flash Point) Test. Though faculty members show special care for them, these students find the difficult to upgrade their studies.

Notes / Conclusion:

The students are from the rural and tribal society. They need motivation and guidance to choose their future. This is the urgent requirement of younger generation especially who are from rural and tribal society. Every rural student must have accessed to good education to keep them a fighting chance to make their mark in this competitive world.

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