

Best Practices

1. TITLE OF THE PRACTICE: BLOOD DONATION MELA

OBJECTIVE OF THE PRACTICE: To serve the humanity and save lives.

A Mukandian's sacred pledge

“Nobody would be allowed to die for want of blood in the region”

THE CONTEXT: 5th September, the birthday of the founder of the college, Seth Jai Prakash, after his demise, was innovatively celebrated as a noble tribute by dedicating the day as Blood Donation Mela under the able leadership of Prof. Tilak Raj Chadha, the then Principal of the college, in the year 1972. Since then, Blood Donation Mela is organized every year to celebrate this auspicious day.

THE PRACTICE: The Blood Donation Mela became the beginning of a sacred movement of Mukand Lal Institutions to save thousands and thousands of lives. The institute aims at ensuring easy accessibility and adequate supply of safe and quality blood collected from voluntary blood donors to those in need. The students and the staff are committed for blood donation during emergency requirement. The whole Mela is passionately and enthusiastically managed by the volunteers of NSS units and other cells of college under the able guidance of worthy teachers. The college acknowledges the services of donors by felicitating them with appreciation certificate and a souvenir as a token of gratitude for their consistent commitment towards the cause. A nutritious and nourishing refreshment is provided to the donors as well as volunteers. Students of various clubs, cells and societies of the college gather at the entrance of the college holding beautifully decorated placards and slogans and infuse spirit of selfless service to humanity and festivity in the whole region.

EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS: On this pious day during, doctors from PGI, Chandigarh and District Red Cross Society, Yamuna Nagar collect units of donated blood. The table given below depicts

the number of blood donations during previous years.

Year	Total Blood Donations
Till 2014-15	13548
2015-16	503
2016-17	519
2017-18	561
2018-19	439
2019-20	419
2021-22	150

This movement has produced star donors and motivators who have donated blood more than hundred times at various occasions. Some of the Mukandians now have three generations of blood donors donating in continuity. Our alumni wait for this day and enthusiastically participate by coming from faraway places to donate blood with their family members. For them, it is a reunion day where they meet and rejoice donating blood as their families participate with fervor and festivity. The contribution of the college in the blood donation movement has been recognized and acknowledged by the governor of the state of Haryana. Philanthropy, compassion and selfless service to humanity is the motto of MukandLal Institutions of Knowledge and Services and this is completely reflected in the overwhelming success of this Mela in the college over the years.

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED AND RESOURCES REQUIRED: No financial/resources problem is faced by the college in the planning, preparation and execution of the Blood Donation Mela. The table given below shows the amount spent in the organization of Blood Donation Mela for last five years.

Year	Total Expenditure on organizing Blood Donation Mela
2015-16	154425
2016-17	216378

2017-18	200115
2018-19	214413
2019-20	169140
2021-22	88252

2. Title of the Practice: INTEREST FREE STUDY LOAN SCHEME

Objectives of the Practice: The mission of Mukand institution to provide education to the poorest of the poor got magnificently manifested in the “Interest Free Study Loan Scheme” of Mukund Lal Institution initiated in the year 1966.

The Context: Since there were not many institutions for technical and medical education in Northern India, the meritorious students of the region had to go to Karnataka Maharashtra and other Southern states for a long time which the majority of students could not afford. Prof. Tilak Raj Chadha, the then Principal of our college intended to help one such bright student who had got admission on merit in Bangalore. Not being able to cope with the hefty fee structure, Prof. Chadha convened a General Assembly of the students and narrated the whole story and requested for one anna each contribution from the students with their fees. The students readily agreed and the student selected for engineering was sponsored by college for his engineering degree.

The Practice: The one Anna scheme of Mukand Lal National College, Yamuna Nagar not only helped hundreds of needy young students to become doctors, engineers but also has become a distinctive feature of our college over the years.

That one Anna scheme has developed into a very useful corpus. The students pay back their interest free study loans in easy installments after they settle down in their careers and the corpus continues helping the generations of the needy student year after year.

Evidence of Success:

Session	No. of beneficiaries	Total Amount

2015-16	5	40,160/-
2016-17	40	271,490/-
2017-18	4	86,700/-
2018-19	12	1,67,000/-
2019-20	11	1,77,500/-
2020-21	13	2,37,000/-

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

Many a time, students do not repay the loan.