

Sarva Vidyalaya Kelavani Mandal, Kadi, managed
**PRAMUKH SWAMI SCIENCE &
H. D. PATEL ARTS COLLEGE, KADI**

Re- accredited with grade 'A' by NAAC Third Cycle (CGPA 3.25)
College with Potential for Excellence, phase-I & II (2010-2019)

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Best Practice-2

“Philanthropic Approach through Financial Aid”



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Best Practice in the institute

1. Title of the Practice:

“Philanthropic Approach through Financial Aid”

2. The context that required the initiation of the Practice

The college belongs to a rural area where most of the students belong to the lower strata of the society. Instead of passing through 3-5 years higher education for career enhancement, their families, due to poor financial conditions, preferred their wards to join the agricultural labour work for socio-economic sustenance. This agricultural labour work was insufficient to provide them permanent and adequate family income sources due to this, the students used to leave the college education half way. Thus, their financial hindrance devoid a number of students from further academic development and as a result, they were deprived of government and private sector jobs with regular and sufficient financial family support system.

3. Objectives of the practice.

- To identify such socio-economically poor students
- To sustain their educational continuance and spot their educational needs in the form of tuition fees, hostel fees, books and study material requirements etc.
- To generate financial supportive sources from society and the SVKM Trust to protract their educational career development.
- To innovate new job/work resources on the campus for students, for an ideal Gandhian Educational practice of *Earning with Learning & Learning with Earning*.
- To invite the College Alumni Association PAA for this healthy practice of financial assistance to such needy students.

4. The Practice.

Pujya Chhaganbha, born 1863, the founder of this 100 years old Sarva Vidyalaya Kelavani Mandal Trust, firmly believed that, *“Education is the magic potion that can cure all social ill and evils.”* Thus, to avail education to the lowest strata of the society without a caste, creed, religious bias, in 1919 Sarva Vidyalaya School was established with only 6 students which has now flourished into more than 50 educational institutes and more than 52,000 students under the umbrella of SVKM.

In SVKM, a Principal has all liberty of Institutional Development except the cancellation of Admission. As the Trust believes that no student should be devoid of education due to Financial limitation. If needed, the Trust waves Tuition Fees, Hostel Fees and in a special case, along with all these fees waver, after college hours, the Trust offers On-campus Job for his/her educational as well as socio-economic continuance.

Besides the Government Scholarships, the Trust provides Means and Merit Scholarships every year out which our institute has received these scholarships.

Students' Scholarship By Institution		
	No. of Students	Amount
Maneklal Patel Memorial Merit and Means Scholarship	222	9,02,420
Alumni Scholarship	27	69,940
Fee Waver	67	3,27,730
DMPK Memoriam Scholarship	126	51,221
SUM Prizes	4	480
SMV Scholarship	8	2,250
Sitaram Scholarship	22	2,500
SDY Scholarship	6	2,000
Ex-Principal Scholarship	22	19,800
GK Scholarship	13	36,000
Soil Testing Fellowship	166	25,81,683
Hostel Fee Waver	13	1,55,905
Handicap Scholarship	14	2,720
Academic Fellowship	36	9,507
Sarve Netrutva Fellowship	76	2,28,000
Science Fair Fellowship	125	21,539
Prizes for Excellence	254	1,27,000
Total	1201	45,40,695

5. Obstacles faced if any and strategies adopted to overcome them :

1. With this financial aid to the needy students, the college expects 90% attendance on his/her part; and if this condition is not strictly followed by the student, he/she is disqualified for the financial aid. To overcome this hitch in favour of the student for his/her education career enhancement, the college counsels the students, his/her parents and organizes additional classes, provides extra assignments to fill the gap and an assurance is taken from the student for 90% attendance for his/her better future.
2. Sometimes, such needy students unaware of this healthy practice of the college, borrow money from the market on high interest rate which later drags them into vicious cycle of money-lenders. Through healthy Mentorship Programs, such students are identified,

counseled, financially helped and saved from family disasters. Thus, such students are brought back to educational world safely.

6. Impact of the Practice:

- Bright students, particularly, girls from the lower strata of the society, are forced to quit education due to their financial conditions, while in the case of boys from poor family are asked to join labour work for family earning. Such students are acknowledged, counseled and helped financially-academically for perseverance of their higher educational studies for a proper career orientation.
- Such beneficiary students, after acquiring a sound socio-academic professional status, comes back to pay back the moral and financial indebtedness they owe to the college, to sustain this healthy practice for the coming generations of students. And this has created a “Happy Circle” through PAA, a strong College Alumni Association, always eager to contribute academically, financially as well as through industrial-academic partnership with the educational journey of the college.

Case study 1

- Renowned US Astronaut Sunita Williams is a daughter of this land. Her father, Deepak Pandya, is an alumnus of the Trust. When Snita visited this campus on September 21, 2007, she expressed her indebtedness as, “I would not have been whatever I am today if this institution had not parented and nurtured my father after he lost his parents in childhood.”
- Mehta Charmy Bhaveshbhai was a student of Biotechnology Dept during 2014-17. During the 2015-16 Recession, her father lost this job in a company named PSL Ltd. The father requested the Principal to cancel Charmy’s admission due to the family financial loss. But taking into account her sincerity, punctuality and academic performance in study, the college gave her Rs 11,500 Scholarship during 2015-16 and 2016-17. Along with this, to sustain her hostel and academic expenses, she was involved in Macro-Micro Soil Health Card Project, Govt. of Gujarat. After college hours, she rigorously worked for Soil sample analysis and prepared Soil Health Cards. As a result, she earned Rs 7,830 during 2015-16 and Rs 15,000 during 2016-17. Thus, overall she earned Rs 23,000 as Scholarship and Rs. 22,830 as a stipend. This financial security gave her an opportunity to utilize her educational potential at her best. She won **Silver Medal in BT Voice**, a National Level Elocution Competition organized by Novozymes South Asia Private Ltd at Mumbai. She was also felicitated with **“Sukanya Troupy” for Best Girl Category College Award** in the Annual Function in 2017. Just after the completion of her graduation studies, she was **selected for Allen Career Institute Kota**. After the completion of her training successfully, she has been

offered Rs 5 Lakh package. Since then, she has been an active College and Department Alumni Chapter and has actively participated in College Alumni Association activities.

7. Resources Required

To make this healthy academic practice more effective, the college has tried to discover various NGOs to participate in this noble educational act. As a result, including the Ex-principal and Ex-vice-principal, the college has successfully involved 14 Trusts to help the students through books, prizes, scholarships etc. They are as follows:

1	Shree Maneklal M.Patel Memorial Merit and Means Scholarship
2	Alumni Association Scholarship
3	Tuition fee & Hostel Fee Waver by the SVKM Trust
4	DiwaliBa Madhavlala Patel Kadiwala Memoriam Trust Scholarship
5	Swami Umeshchandra Manilal Paritoshik Scholarship
6	Smt.Manguben Vinodbhai Trust Fund Scholarship
7	Sitaram Trust Paritoshik Scholarship
8	Shree Devchand Yogi Trust Fund Scholarship
9	Formar Principal Shree D.J.Patel Scholarship
10	Gopaldas Kanshara Higher Educaiton Scholarship by the alumnus, Dr.Hasit Dangi
11	Soil Health Card Project Stipend
12	Patel Ritaben Radhvjibhai Fellowship for Handicap students
13	Sarve Netrutva Freeship
14	Fellowship for Science Fair