



BEST PRACTICE

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Topic: - SERVING IN COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Objectives:

1. To serve the society during the complete halt of normal activities due to the Covid 19 lockdown since the last part of March 2020.
2. Promotion of teamwork culture to control and prevent such a highly contagious disease.
3. Encouragement for the frontline workers by incorporating with them to sensitise people and make aware of the need of the hour.
4. Distribution of some basic needs such as food, sanitizer, masks, gloves, water, etc.
5. Promote the spirit of dedicated services of student volunteers at their capacity during such disasters by giving the proper orientation of do's and don'ts.
6. Providing some buildings of the college for opening the quarantine centre.
7. Help in the proper management of biomedical waste products to adhere with SOP's.
8. Counselling and mass awareness programme of the villagers of surrounding areas by mass testing of suspects to ease the effort of Govt. machinery to control the pandemic and get vaccinated early.
9. Minimisation of the number of affected people in this part of the state.

The Context:

1. Covid 19 Pandemic is one unique and most challenging disaster of this century which started to hit hard from the late march of 2020.
2. Imposed prolong lockdown since late March 2020 as containment measure by operating several quarantine centres across the state as well as the establishment of covid care centres and hospitals with dedicated services of huge number of frontline workers.
3. Working as corona worker / frontline worker is highly risky and their task would be far beyond possible without the corporation of organisations such as clubs, locals and student volunteers.
4. Well coordination of all the responsible parties have been instrumental for overcoming this highly contagious disease as relying everything to the Govt. machinery is not feasible during the pandemic.
5. Shortfalls of many essential items and arrangements have to be overcome with the help of local/student organisations.

The Practise:

1. Containment measure of the pandemic is the isolation of affected and suspected persons until the active phase of the disease is completed.
2. The Govt of Manipur imposed prolonged lockdown and set up different quarantine centres, covid care centres and hospitals across the state.

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3. Local organisations and student volunteers played a vital role in executing containment measures taken up by the government.
4. The college building has been used as a quarantine centre with full corporation from the college fraternity and student volunteers of NSS I and NSS II units of the college.
5. The volunteers were cooperative with the front-line workers and extended help to provide manpower or any other essential materials whenever needed.
6. The student volunteers of the NSS units along with some staff of the college visited the quarantine centres within the campus. Gloves, hand sanitisers, mask, face shield, drinking water and other essential food items were provided to quarantine centres of neighbouring villages like Liwachangning, Leishokching, Penaching, Leipungtampak and Purumchumbang which are in close proximity to Komlathabi.
7. The volunteers were highly alerted for careful disposal of bio medical wastes in proper place.
8. Moral support to the frontline workers and proper counselling of the suspected covid individual of quarantine centres to enthusiastically overcome the stressful period.
9. Proper sanitization of the surrounding areas of villages with disinfectants.
10. Local natives evacuated from other parts of Indian states were quarantined before living with family and friends.
11. Volunteers helped in vaccination and mass testing drive to avert any eventuality.

Evidence of success:

1. The spirit of collective and teamwork culture is promoted.
2. All the quarantine centres in and around Komlathabi area successfully played a crucial role to control this highly contagious disease.
3. Serving the people during the complete halt of almost all the activities due to lockdown.
4. Extremely limited number of fatalities when compared with the figure of the whole state as well as for the whole country except very few cases mainly due to previous comorbidities.
5. No littering of hazardous waste in and around all the quarantine centres.
6. Strict SOP is maintained by following standard protocols to keep all the surrounding areas well sanitized by periodical application of disinfectants.
7. No shortage of water, food, light and sanitary items in all the centres.
8. Round-the-clock helping hand from the volunteers encouraged the workers as well as the suspected individuals.
9. Natives evacuated are safely quarantined and vaccination drive successfully done.

Option/ Note:

Covid 19 pandemic is one unique disaster of this century. The whole world was under its threat and Manipur was not an exception, starting to hit hard from late March of 2020 with the imposition of lockdown for long period. The follow-up containment measures taken up by the government led to the opening of several quarantine centres, covid care centres and hospitals across the state. Serving at this hour is highly risky and socially stigmatized due to fear of disease as well as lack of understanding. Co-operating with corona warriors to get rid of this stressful period is a priceless human service and overall success is the outcome of collective effort.

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Best Practice 2

Topic: - UPHOLDING THE SPIRIT OF TEACHING DURING PANDEMIC

Objective:

1. To provide complete learning materials to students who live in poor internet area and impossible for healthy online classes conducted during suspension of physical classes due to lock down.
2. Building up of mutual relationship between the students and teachers.
3. Making aware of the challenges to be faced by students after the Covid lock down.
4. Maintain the spirit of work culture for the sake of student communities which is one of the pivotal ethical value of teaching profession.
5. Help to educate weak and underprivileged students to contemplate with their counter parts who have good internet facility. Many students who are unable to afford smart phones get the opportunity to learn the course completely.
6. Help in the preparation of semester Exam conducted by Manipur University as per the academic schedule so as to complete their degree on time.

The Context:

1. Complete lockdown as containment measure for Covid 19 pandemic affects the normal functioning of college and suspended all physical classes.
2. Normal academic programmes of Manipur University have to be pursued in the interest of the student community so that their degree courses complete on time.
3. On-line classes through Google Meet platform for conducting live virtual class and other e-learning methodologies such as MOODLE which is an open source learning platform were recommended to fulfil the academic requirement of students, but incidentally it was not absolutely successful due to non-availability of internet facility in many parts of the hilly areas and many students were left helpless with these modes of teaching-learning.
4. The faculty members considered the urgent requirement of providing study materials to the students for all the courses and supplied hard copies of the same.
5. Non-teaching staffs cooperated in the preparation of hard copies in the college campus as printing and xeroxing in market area was not fully operational and also not safe due to pandemic.

The Practice:

1. Disastrous pandemic of Covid 19 circumstantially imposed all the educational institutions to switch to online mode of teaching to continue the studies as usual.
2. Limitation in online class as many students cannot afford smart phones as well as many students in hilly area was not accessible to mobile internet.
3. Virtual live class through Google Meet platform was conducted in addition to uploading of study materials to open-source e-learning platform through MOODLE, which were not successful due to unavoidable circumstances of unhealthy internet facility so that an alternative way to make up the loopholes by providing study materials have been worked out.

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4. Teachers prepared complete notes for all the papers and made copies for all the students with the help of non-teaching staffs by using resources available in the college.
5. Teachers of respective departments distribute the hard copies of the study materials for every semester shift wise by following strict SOPs for the safety of students and staffs.
6. The Principal's office formally notified for this inevitable venture and seek cooperation from the teaching and non-teaching staffs to make this venture a great success with a priority of safety for students and staffs.

Evidence of Success:

1. The cooperation of teaching and non-teaching staffs made this crucial endeavour of providing complete notes to all the students a grand success which implicates very high pass percentage of our students in the regular examination conducted by Manipur University.
2. Students who are unaffordable for smart phones get equal opportunity to learn complete syllabus and overall completion of prescribed syllabus was possible only because of the adoption of this method which would have been otherwise overlooked due to lockdown.
3. Students successfully completed their degree on time and thus facilitated them to pursue higher studies as well as to look for job opportunities.
4. Maintenance of healthy teacher-student relationship even during the total suspension of physical classes.

Problems Encountered and Resource Required:

1. Obstacles and risks on the movement of staffs and students due to restriction of lockdown.
2. Conventional way of conveying message to students who reside in poor internet area where even WhatsApp message was unreliable.
3. Making huge number of copies of study materials was not an easy task even with the help of non-teaching staffs.
4. Potential risk of transmission of corona among students and staffs.
5. Fulfilling all the provisions for the safety measures of corona by providing all the protective gears for Covid so that whoever comes to college without proper safety measures can use it free of cost.

Notes/Optional:

It is an alternative strategic team work culture at the risky time for culminating teaching-learning process by implementing of cases / circumstances specific modification of methodologies especially in far flung remote hilly areas where internet is poor for healthy online class. Moreover, teachers were compelled to complete the syllabus of all the courses by using any available means as the university notified for conducting online examination well in advance to safeguard the career of students and in the purview of this contexts and inconveniences of students, the teaching fraternity collectively had a consensus at least to provide ready-made study materials for which the principal office extended all possible aids to make the mission of this institution a successful one even during pandemic.

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