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7.1.2 Best Practice 1

1. Title of the Practice

TAPASSU - Free Coaching for Competitive Exams UPSC, KPSC & IBPS

2. Objectives of the Practice:

- To provide awareness about the Central and State Government exam pattern.
- To motivate and prepare students for various competitive examinations.
- To create awareness and spread the information about competitive exam opportunities.
- To provide the guidance in various competitive/ entrance examinations such as, SDA, FDA, RRB, PDO, SSB, UPSC & KPSC Civil service exams.
- To develop competitive skills through various types of objective tests.
- To train student about aptitude test based on verbal and quantitative skills
- To provide awareness on Reasoning Ability and General Intelligence
- To Develops critical thinking and problem-solving skills among the students

3. The Context

Career Guidance and Placement Cell of the college has been conducted coaching for competitive examinations. Students must typically clear competitive examinations to gain admission into prestigious institutions and programs. The coaching helps the students be aware of their competitive feelings in low stakes contexts. Competitive exams can be challenging and require a lot of preparation and hard work. It provides numerous benefits, including confidence, developing, reasoning, logical, self-analysis skills, promoting healthy competition and problem solving. Competitive examinations offer both challenge and opportunity.

The concept of competitive exams spread globally, evolving to encompass job, placement, opportunities and challenges. Competitive exams are tests that are used to select candidates for admission, scholarships, jobs and other purposes. Preparing for competitive exams demands dedicated effort, strategic planning and the right resources. Most of the students

hail from rural area. They are socially and economically backward. They cannot afford private special coaching for the competitive examinations. There is no awareness about the competitive examinations.

4. The Practice

The primary focus is imparting coaching to the students for taking up career in government and provide sector. The college Career Guidance and Placement Cell (CGPC) conduct a meeting with all the departments regarding the classes. With the approval of Principal, Coordinator was sent notice and prepared the brochure.

Coordinator of the cell had prepared time table and allotted the classes for faculty of all departments and Coordinator gives the information about the classes for all students. Afterwards interested students had enrolled their names for TAPASSU - Free Coaching for Competitive Exams UPSC, KPSC& IBPS. Every year more than 100 students enrolled their names for free coaching. Study material is provided by the concern subject faculty. Students take the use of the study material as per their requirement.

CG&PC emphasizes regular practice and conduct regular tests to simulate the actual exam environment. The CG&PC provides students with simulated mock interviews, regular assessments, and constructive feedback to nurture their confidence regularly. Competitive exam coaching classes have emerged as an essential tool for aspirants seeking to excel in their chosen professions. Coaching is offering the books and providing study material for students to prepare for their exams and improve their skills.

Through this cell the college organizes various activities for the development of the students. The cell organizes workshops, special lectures, seminars, coaching and even counseling is given to the students by experts on regular basis. The cell is working hard to develop the competitive skills needed for the job in the students. Librarian also provided online and offline access of study material, practice tests, previous exam question papers, separate competitive exams books and space for group study to support students in their exam preparation. Librarians can assist students in finding and using the most relevant materials for their exam. Experienced teachers and trainers from coaching centers are invited for special lectures in this Free Coaching for Competitive Exams.

The students are taken maximum benefits for the competitive exam and as expert are provided with the syllabus of the exam, review and outline of competitive success plan.

5. Evidence of Success

The coaching for competitive exams are not only equips students with academic proficiency but also instills essential life skills. Competitive examination is a fair assessment tool that provides equal opportunities to all irrespective of class, caste, religion, and gender. The students are able to attempt any competitive exam as they are provided with the syllabus of the exam, syllabus and study material given to each subject.

Teaching skills in competitive exam help teachers to become better educators and promote a more effective learning environment. The resource persons at coaching have years of expertise in teaching and preparing students for competitive exams.

The students those who are not enrolled became aware about the competitive examinations. Many students benefitted by the career guidance and secured seats in PG and showed excellence in various competitive examinations like SDA, FDA, Banking Exam, Police, PDO, Railway etc

The goal of a discussion is to get students to practice thinking about the course material. Students had developed the leadership qualities and competitive spirit. The experts had been guided and solve the queries of the aspirants at the ground level, thus avoiding the guessing aspect while attempting the questions in the respective subjects.

6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required

Due to lack of language, some students were unable to acquire an efficient understanding English medium study material for competitive exam, because most of the students were Kannada medium. some rural students did not register to take competitive exams, as their homes were reeling under financial crisis. Due to lack of education, students are unable to acquire an efficient understanding of how to utilize financial resources for effective use.

The present testing pattern (Examination System) favors rich students who can pay for private coaching and attempt the examination several times. There is a need of special computer system with high speed Wi-Fi connectivity. Advanced competitive examination books, software and E Resources should be purchased every year. SWOT attempt to diagnose the difficulties of undergraduate students hailing from rural areas in English language. Rural students have limited exposure to current affairs, competitive exams, and the English language

7. Notes (Optional)

Competitive exams play a pivotal role in shaping the academic and professional trajectories of millions of students across India. Preparation is the key to acing for these exams. Competitive exam preparation needs a student to focus and have a positive attitude. Competitive exams have now over ruled the world. CG&PC is coaching crucial for gaining knowledge, upgrading our skills and following a systematic approach to education. The competitive nature of coaching encourages students to set clear academic goals. In today's world, where the job market is highly competitive, competitive exams provide a level playing field for candidates to showcase their skills

7.1.2 Best Practice 2

2) Title of the Practice:

ChanakSha-The Economic Fest

It is annually conducts various competition as Debate, Drawing, Exhibition, Quiz, Presentation, Creative Video Making, Treasure Hunt for students

- The ChanakSha fest encouraged economic knowledge, GST, state and Union Budget and sharing financial interaction.
- The fest is highlighting essential information for current economic, IMF, GST and Digital currency
- To provides Economics students a platform to enhance their presentation & debate skill and Competitive atmosphere
- ➤ The purpose fest to create awareness about facets of self confidence and entrepreneurship motivations.
- The objective of Fest is to provide experiential learning of various economic concepts in interesting way through various activities and competitions.

3) The context:

Department of Economics has been annually organized ChanakSha-The Economic fest in our College, that offers a platform for students to improve their economic, competitive spirit and business skills. The Fest was designed primarily to test the economic knowledge of the participants. This fest will explore how Economic practices continue to influence contemporary current economic structures, opportunities corporate sectors, and world economic knowledge.

The ChanakSha fest for new economic thinking brings together students and individuals that seek to improve competitive spirit and participation. ChanakSha fest brings students healthy and fair competition and the events together lift up the entire economy, to educate flourish the business and gives knowledge Indian on economy booming through expenditure balance. A debate competition is a structured contest between two teams that present opposing arguments on a given topic.

The Fest was organized clay modeling competition to help the students to express their artistic skills and creative vision through tactile engagement. The essay competition in fest is to give students the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge, critical thinking and writing skills.

The ChanakSha Economic fest found its roots in 2022-23, It serves as a haven for students passionate about economics. Annually conducted various activities are Quiz, Exhibition, Creative Video Making, Paper Presentation, Drawing, Treasure Hunt, debate, group discussion, budgets analysis, skill development programmes and other competitions.

Department of Economics organizes regular ChanakSha - The Economic fest. This event provided a practical platform for budding economists to apply theoretical knowledge in a simulated market environment. The main purpose of this event is to make students familiar with the economic skills, profit-loss analysis, Budget analysis and Banking skills. The fest based on various aspects of economics which aims to imbibe financial education in the students and change the way they think. This event's aims are to broaden knowledge of the Economy among the students.

5) Evidence:

ChanakSha - The Economic fest Competition is emerging as key milestones along the student's academic journey, representing the connection to future opportunities with unlimited prospect. The Fest was provided students and enthusiasts with a platform to engage in debates, essay, quiz and economic exhibitions focused on various economic topics.

The event was witnessed the importance of promoting economic literacy and encouraging the study of economics. Students were participated from various colleges in the jurisdiction university level. All the students and staff members were making a great contribution and enjoyed taking part in the event. One among the participated students will be announce as "ChanakSha Student" and award the Cash Prize.

ChanakSha - The Economic fest is one of the most prestigious economics competitions for undergraduate students. This event also organized state level during 2023-24 academic year.

6) Problems entered and resource required

The biggest problem would be sponsorship. Colleges often have limited budgets for events, requiring careful planning to source funding through donor. Such an event requires a huge amount of money and it is very difficult to raise such a large amount of money. Ours is rural college, most of the students are coming rural backgrounds. The rest are minor problems which can be solved by planning well in advance.

The positive effect of the ChanakSha - The Economic fest was collected of four factors: economic knowledge, Budget awareness & Digital currency and promoting students for economic to opt Economics subject for their higher studies and Economics is a competitive oriented subject. The negative effects of the fest consisted of two factors: most of the colleges students are Kannada medium and our college distance is 55 KM from Karnatak University, Dharwad so limited students were taken participation.

