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## Best Practice - 1

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## **Best Practice 1: Empowering All round development of Rural Girls through Higher Education**

**Goal:** Cauvery deltaic region of this area has economically and socially deprived agricultural formers and fisherman community. Such families are reluctant to send their girls child for higher education and avoid sending the children to cities or admitting in hostels. So, many girl students who are also first generation graduates are unable to get access for higher studies. Hence, efforts are taken to admit the girl students in higher studies and encourage them to achieve academic career as well as in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

**Processes:** Although the college had boys, due to the mission of the college "Empowering women by enhancing their literacy and employability", evening section was started during 1984 exclusively for girls students. Subsequently, all the 4 PG courses and four UG courses namely B.Sc. in Botany, Zoology, History and Economics became co-education courses in the Day college which are in aided section. In addition, over the period of time, the girl students have been encouraged to take part in all curricular, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities.

**Practice:** Girl students of 70% in the evening session and 30% in the aided session are admitted in all the courses. The forums and committees related to female students are established and several activities are conducted for enhancing the knowledge, creating awareness, equipping the skills, etc., In addition, International Women's Day, International Day of Girl Child, etc., are celebrated when the girl students are encouraged to lead the programs and show their talents. In every department, there are female faculties who deal the personal issues of female students. College buses are operated in different routes covering interior villages exclusively for girl students for safe and secure travel.

**Evidence:** Currently 56% of girl students have been studying in the college and the pass percentage was around 65%. In addition, out of 16 UG university ranks holders 13 girls in the UG and out of 13 PG rank holders 10 of them were girls during this year. Over the years more than 77% of girls got graduated. Among the scholars 22 are woman PhD scholars. The women team and girl students participated and won several medals in international, national, state and university level games and athletic events. Some of the prominent achievements



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are Ms. L. Kanimozhi (P237630) I M.A., (His) participated and secured Fifth Position in the International level Asian Beach Volley Ball Tournament Held at Bangladesh from 8th to 11th Sep 2023, Ms. K. Mathumitha (U23 3147) I B.Sc., secured four consecutive Gold Medals in the all India open Karate championship Held at Thanjavur, Ms. G. Abinaya (U21 6631) III B.B.A., and Ms. L. Kanimozhi (P237630) I M.A., (His), Ms. J. Keerthika (U23 4572) I B.A (His), Ms. A. Monika (P237928) I M.A (Eco) Represented Annamalai University team in the South Zone Inter-University Volleyball Women Tournament which was held at Padmavathi University, Tirupathi, Ms. R. Swathi (P23 8137) I M.Com., represented Annamalai University team in the All India Inter University Archery Competition which was held at Gurukashik University, Behatinda, Delhi, Ms. D. Dhatchayini (U23 6555) I B.Com., Ms. K. Santhiya (P23 7335) I M.Sc., (C/S) represented Annamalai University team in the South Zone Inter-University Cricket Tournament which was held at Alagappa University, Karaikudi, Ms. J. Jayaprabha (U22 6647) II B.B.A., secured Gold Medal in the Annamalai University Inter- Collegiate Boxing Championship, Ms. J. Archana Krishnan (U22 6643) II B.B.A., secured Silver Medal in the Annamalai University Inter- Collegiate Boxing Championship, Ms. R. Abirami (U21 1971) III B.Sc., (Che) secured Silver Medal in the Annamalai University Inter- Collegiate Boxing Championship.

**Problem faced:** Many of the students are first generation graduates and had lots of inhibition for joining and continuing higher education. In addition, many of the parents are from economically deprived sector who are working in the agricultural fields as daily coolie and find the payment of fees itself difficult. Students do take part time jobs which put pressure on them for studying and attending the classes continuously.

**Resource required:** To reduce the financial constrain and to make the girl students to attend the course, it is essential to have part-time job. In addition, all the possible government and private scholarships/funding are to be availed to overcome the financial constrains.



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## Best Practice 2: Sustain the Students with Endowment Cash Awards and Prizes, Freeships Scholarships for Successful Completion of Higher Studies

**Goal:** Totally around 80% of the students are economically deprived and are in need of various financial supports and encouragements for continuing the higher education. Among the students 55% are girl students and in which more than 75% girls are first generation graduates who are mostly from agricultural and fisherman background. Hence, many of them dependent on either full or partial funding which is obtained through government and trust/private scholarships, management freeships, etc., Further, the students get motivated for their academic, co-curricular and extracurricular performances by getting prizes and citations. Medals, prizes, cash awards, certificates and citations are the credential documents given in appreciation of their achievements and motivate peers to achieve in their career too. In addition, these gestures bring competitive sprits among the students and also bring the hidden talents of the students.

**Processes:** The eligible students are asked to submit prescribed filled-in application for various scholarships, financial support, etc. The selection of the students is based on the fulfillment of the requirements of the respective scheme and the applicants' academic performances. Medals are given for rank holders and outstanding performers. Prizes, cash awards, certificates and citations are given based on student's performances in various competition, and achievements. The best student awards are given based on individuals academic achievements, involvement in curricular and co-curricular activities, understanding responsibilities and portraying best behavioural traits.

**Practice:** The eligible and performed students are facilitated to get the scholarship and financial assistance from funders and endowment donors. The rank holders are bestowed with medals in the convocation and the winners of the competition are given prizes in the college day and other celebrations.

**Evidence:** Totally 1.01 crore rupees was disbursed through the Government scholarship for 2930 students. Further, 1,63,800 rupees were received by 21 students from various private and trust fundings. Additionally, a sum of 5,70,159 rupees was given to 75 students by the management for various categories of students. Ten physically challenged students were given 1,09,385 rupees for food



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and lodging in the hostel. The Government of Tamil Nadu started a scheme called "Pudumai Pen" which provide monthly financial support for educational requirements. Totally 219 eligible girls are facilitated to get the support for this year. Although there are around 200 endowments which provide more than 290 prizes, awards, and medals for various prize winners, but the pandemic lockdown prevented the functions such as college day, convocation and other celebrations and thus during this period prize distributions were not made.

**Problem faced:** Some of students lack the submission of application and documents for these funding. The pandemic lockdown prevented many of the functions and distribution of the prizes during the period. Financial support from the management of the institution is restricted as it is a non-profitable organization who charges barest minimum from the students. As the college is rurally located, the availability of companies, firms and donors are very few who can fund huge grants for these needy community. In addition, many of the parents and students lack the knowledge on banks loans.

**Resource required:** Huge grants from donors are required especially for first generation and economically deprived students.