

THE INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS OF SAKUS MISSION COLLEGE

Extension activities:

One of the distinctive feature of Sakus Mission College, as per the vision and mission of the institution is extension activities rendered by the college community jointly. The vision of the college is to empower the student fraternity through value-based education and the college is also devoted to promoting education in all branches of learning. The mission of the college is to train men and women in every aspect of life. And also embody ethics of gentleness, love and sharing of knowledge irrespective of race, caste, creed, gender, etc.

The institution being a mission college helps in various mission work and charitable acts immensely. True to its vision, the institute tries to impart quality education at higher education and partake in the process of moulding each individual to be a missionary. In fact the outreach ministry extended by the Worship Committee is one which is commendable indeed. The College boarders of both boys and girls regularly involve in extending charitable works. Besides, the teaching and non-teaching staff also initiate in the mission activities as per when the need arise.

Objective of extension activities:

1. It aims in providing minimum assistance by reaching out the downtrodden section of people, economically and socially deprived for better living condition and life.
2. The basic objective of extension activities is to extend help especially those people living under below poverty line, to help them raise the living standard on the whole.
3. The foremost aim is to spread happiness and share love towards the poor and needy people by providing basic needs of food and clothing, etc.
4. Another pivotal goal of such activities is to build and promote better social relation, improved living condition within the vicinity and for humanity in general.
5. To help bring awareness upon the teaching and student community about the affairs of the society and how to extend help.

Nature of extension activities:

Extension activities rendered by the college is beyond classroom teaching transaction. Basing on the vision and mission of the institution, the SMC hostellers carry out mission activities every year by reaching out the oppressed and helpless people. The main intention of the mission trip is to facilitate minimum assistance towards the needy people. The boarders participate in the activities by visiting some neglected areas, where the majority of the disadvantaged people resides and spend their lives in an open air space like railway station of Dimapur Nagaland. The specific time of conducting these kind acts is during the festive season of Christmas, so as to carry message of love to the humanity. In this way, it also indirectly reflects sharing of love and kindness from Christian perspective. Through these little acts of kindness for humanity, it makes a difference in some lives who are in dire need of such provisions.

Some of the extension activities undertaken by the institution are as follows:

1. The SMC hostellers led by Chairman of the College undertakes charity acts during the month of December 1st week every year, by distributing clothing materials like blankets, eatable stuffs to the under privileged people in order to promote awareness about love and sharing around the society.

2. The Worship Committee of the college does similar acts of charity by visiting certain educational institution as an outreach ministry. Recently on 12th of March 2019, they visited Government Primary School, Landmark Colony with the purpose to help understand the various scenario of students in Schools, most of whom comes from poor family backgrounds which would in return motivate them to share and be compassionate of people in need. Interaction with the students and teachers was held, sharing from the word of God, recitation of the Bible verses, singing were part of the activities. The members also distributed stationeries and eatable stuffs to the children.
3. The Sakus Mission College Students' Union also participated by initiating a mission work on 6th of July 2019 under the theme 'No one should go hungry in a world of abundance'. The President of the SMCSU and his executives visited the Dimapur railway station and reached out to the people living under below poverty line by distributing fresh drinking water and food stuffs.
4. Along with the students community, the teaching and non-teaching faculties has initiated a trend of collection of 50 rupees per member every month under the theme SMC 'Welfare Fund' to extend support and help each other by maintaining a record of every acts, which has a tremendous contribution in vast areas of mission work. The amount collected are utilised for various purposes as per the needs arise.
 - On 27th of March 2018, the Staff community have contributed an amount of Rupees 14,800 (Fourteen thousand eight hundred) only and in kind as well towards two students' families affected by fire. Altogether 10 students and 5 staff members visited the two families of fire victims, located at Signal Angami, Dimapur, Nagaland.
 - Financial Aid was again extended by SMC fraternity towards the medical treatment of one of our student for his kidney transplant purpose. An amount of ₹37,000 (Thirty seven thousand) only was contributed for the same. Altogether 8 representatives from student community and 5 staff members visited the ailing student.
 - Specific amount is set aside for various kinds of visitation related to SMC teaching and non-teaching staff members like Hospitalisation case, Wedding, Funeral, Farewell, etc.
 - The total amount utilised from the Staff Welfare Fund collection w.e.f April 2018 till March 2019 was around ₹25,000 (Twenty five thousand) only. The said amount was shared between 11 families for various purposes as a sign of sharing and supporting with one another. Such acts of kindness does strengthen the bonding among the members of the institution.