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BEST PRACTICES

BEST PRACTICE-I

1. Title - Empowering Futures: A Financial Assistance Initiative for Success
2. Objective - In response to the financial challenges faced by our students and their families during these tough times, we have introduced freeship and concession programs. The objective of these programs is to provide financial support and relief to eligible students, ensuring that their education remains accessible and uninterrupted specially during COVID 19 Pandemic.
3. Context – Through these initiatives, we strive to create an inclusive and supportive environment where no student is left behind due to financial constraints caused by the pandemic. Our goal is to ensure that every student has an equal opportunity to pursue their academic goals, regardless of their financial circumstances.
4. Practice - The criteria for eligibility and the extent of financial support provided may vary based on individual needs and circumstances. Our institute's dedicated team works closely with students and their families to assess their requirements and determine the appropriate level of assistance. We believe that education should not be hindered by financial limitations, especially during these challenging times. By offering freeship and concession, we aim to alleviate the financial burden on our students and enable them to continue their education without undue stress.
5. Problem encountered - If any student is in need of financial assistance, we encourage them to reach out to our student support services. They will be able to provide them with more information and guide them through the process of availing the freeship and concession programs. In furtherance of this, several freeships and concessions were offered to our students during COVID 19 pandemic.





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6. Evidence of success - Factors taken into consideration while granting freeships and concessions are as follows:

- a. **Timely Support:** Our institute understands the urgency of providing financial assistance to students during these challenging times. We ensure that the application and approval process for freeship and concession is streamlined and expedited, so students can receive the support they need without unnecessary delays.
- b. **Flexible Eligibility Criteria:** We recognize that each student's financial situation may be unique. Therefore, our freeship and concession programs have flexible eligibility criteria to accommodate various circumstances. This allows us to support a wider range of students and ensure that no deserving student is left behind.
- c. **Comprehensive Coverage:** Our freeship and concession programs are designed to cover not only tuition fees but also other educational expenses such as textbooks, study materials, and technology requirements. This comprehensive coverage helps to alleviate the financial burden on students and enables them to fully engage in their studies.
- d. **Confidentiality and Respect:** We understand the sensitivity of financial matters, and we treat all applications for freeship and concession with utmost confidentiality and respect. Students can feel assured that their financial information will be handled securely and with the utmost discretion.
- e. **Ongoing Support:** Our commitment to our students goes beyond just providing initial financial assistance. We have dedicated support services in place to guide and assist students throughout their academic journey. Whether it is additional resources, counselling, or mentorship opportunities, we are here to support our students every step of the way.




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BEST PRACTICE-2

1. Title - Law for Liberation: Advocating Justice in Slum Communities
2. Objective - We believe that access to justice is a fundamental right, thus our objective is to strive to bridge the gap between legal services and those who need them the most through our students' efforts, we. By offering free legal aid to the people residing in slum areas, our students are making a tangible difference in their lives and fostering a more equitable society.
3. Context - Our students offer pro bono legal assistance to individuals residing in slum areas.
4. Practice - At our institute, we are proud of our students' commitment to making a positive impact in the lives of slum-dwelling individuals. Through our free legal aid program, our students offer their expertise and support to those who may not have access to legal resources.

Our students understand the unique challenges faced by slum communities, such as issues related to housing, land rights, and basic amenities. They work closely with local organizations and community leaders to identify the legal needs of slum residents and provide them with the necessary assistance.

5. Problems encountered: Whether it's helping individuals file legal documents, offering guidance on tenant rights, or advocating for improved living conditions, our students are dedicated to ensuring that the voices of slum-dwellers are heard and their rights are protected. By providing free legal aid, our students not only contribute to the empowerment of slum communities but also gain valuable practical experience in addressing real-world legal issues. This hands-on approach allows them to develop a deeper understanding of the complexities of the law and its impact on marginalized populations.





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6. Evidence of success:

- a. Education and Awareness: Our students conduct workshops and awareness campaigns within slum communities to educate residents about their legal rights and empower them with knowledge.
- b. Mediation and Dispute Resolution: Our students act as mediators to help resolve conflicts and disputes within the slum communities, promoting peaceful resolutions and avoiding unnecessary legal battles.
- c. Legal Clinics: Our students set up legal clinics within the slum areas, where residents can seek legal advice, consultation, and guidance on various legal matters without any cost.
- d. Collaborations with NGOs: Our students collaborate with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) that work specifically with slum populations to provide comprehensive support and assistance to those in need.
- e. Advocacy and Policy Reform: Our students actively participate in advocating for policy reforms and changes that address the systemic issues faced by slum communities, aiming to bring about long-term improvements in their living conditions.
- f. Pro Bono Representation: In cases that require legal representation, our students offer pro bono services, representing slum residents in courts and tribunals to ensure their rights are protected and justice is served.
- g. Community Empowerment: Through their work, our students empower slum communities by equipping them with the knowledge and tools to navigate the legal system independently, fostering self-sufficiency and resilience.



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