

Best practice 4

Title of the Practice

Gurukul vigyan Kshethra

Objectives of the Practice

1. Provide holistic learning to the students.
2. Bring the students to the ancient Indian educational system.
3. Practice student-centred interactive learning.
4. Imparting learning to the students in a natural surrounding where the learners imbibe brotherhood, humanity, love, and discipline.
5. Focuses on applied knowledge that prepares students for life.

The Context

The Department of English has experimented with a new learning experience for the students, titled Eco Hour. Eco Hour lends opportunity to the students to experience learning in a more conducive natural setting rather than curtailed within the four walls of a traditional classroom. Increased interest from the students extends this initiative to a broader framework, Gurukul Vigyan Kshethra in compliance with the ancient Indian school of education of the Gurukulas.

The Practice

The Gurukul Vigyan Kshethra offers a minimum of one hour per week for each class to spend in the Gurukula. The Gurukula is set up in the tranquil meadow amidst lush green cardamom plantations, within the campus premises. The teacher shall sit on a raised platform and the students shall sit in front of him/her in a semi circle form under the shade of a tree. Gurukul Vigyan Kshethra practices question answer method of learning, ensuring student involvement, thereby nurture the inquisitiveness in students, the essential quality that a student requires.

Evidence of Success

Positive feedback from both the students and teachers and the active involvement of the learners in teaching learning proved the success of the programme.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required

Limitations in conducting class during unfavourable weather conditions.

Notes (Optional)

Gurukul Vigyan Kshethra ensures Student-centred learning process in which the students pose their queries based on the topic of discussion and the session progresses through active interaction.