

Best Practices -1

Title: Reaching out to Students during COVID pandemic by Radio Broadcasting of Lectures through University's own Community Radio *Radio Khanchi 90.4 FM*

Objective:

- Fast and widespread of lectures among students.
- Ontime completion of syllabus.
- Technology awareness among faculties and students.

Context: During COVID period, RU took initiative for Radio broadcast/ Online classes for the benefit of its students in view of the Digital Divide. As a majority of students in Jharkhand come from weaker economic background and affordability of smartphone or a laptop along with internet connectivity was questionable.

Practice: In this context, RU took the initiative of broadcasting recorded lectures through University's own Community Radio namely *Radio Khanchi 90.4 FM*. Teachers/faculty members of Departments were asked to record their lectures for broadcasting purpose by Radio Khanchi. More than 40,000 students of Ranchi University within the city and its periphery got benefited by this initiative.

On Air lectures through radio is one of its kind concepts, all over India. Very few universities have taken such initiative. This idea is unique in higher education system in the country and specifically in Jharkhand.

Evidence of Success:

The idea was a great success as more than 40,000 students were benefitted from these Radio lectures and performed well in their examinations

Problems Encountered and Resources required:

Some of the teachers were not tech savvy and also were not very enthusiastic to record lectures in the beginning but online training enabled many teachers to record Lectures and make this program a great success.

Ranchi University has its own Community radio with a FM Band with a reach of 15 Kilometres, so there was no additional expenditure as this system was already in existence and the same was used for broadcasting of lectures.

Notes:

A collection of more than 1600 lectures has been created, and the same is presently available for students through YouTube, Instagram, Facebook and Twitter. The lectures are still being recorded keeping in special focus on NEP curriculum and IKS.

Best Practices - 2

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Objective:

- Fast and widespread of lectures among students.
- Ontime completion of syllabus.
- Technology awareness among faculties and students.

Context:

During COVID period the teachers/faculty members were asked to record their lectures for broadcasting by Radio Khanchi. More than 40000 students of Ranchi University within the city and its periphery got benefited by this initiative.

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Title: Sunday Classes: Each one Teach one

Objective:

Imparting education to children belonging to Classes 1 to 9 of Slum areas in and around Ranchi University

Context:

Commitment to society - Tutorial classes (MUSKAN CLASSES) for students of class 1 to 9 and awareness.

The NSS constitutes small clubs named *Sunday Classes* in which students are drawn from different semesters of various RU departments. These students organize tutorial classes for the students of slum areas in and around the university in a radius of 20 km. Through these Sunday Classes, they teach students of classes 1 to 9 in various subjects – Language, Maths, Science, etc. along with other communicational and writing skills. Apart from imparting education, they also bring in awareness about health, cleanliness, human rights, sports, etc.

The NSS forms special groups to visit the adopted villages and organize awareness programs about Voting Rights and many other recent Govt initiatives among the adults. The NSS has taken the initiative and organized an awareness program about the national freedom struggle and instil pride among them while making them aware of the regional martyrs.

Practice

This not only benefits the children of slum areas but also instils a sense of ownership & commitment towards society. This also boosts self-confidence of the participating students of our university. This idea is unique in higher education system.

Evidence of Success:

The above practice has improved the communication skills and knowledge base of the children from the slum areas. This improvement is also reflected in statements of the proud and happy parents of these children.

Problems Encountered and Resources required

Initial hesitance among Slum kids in joining these Sunday Classes. Parents also reluctant to permits their children to join these classes.

No resources was required in arranging these Sunday Classes organised by NSS unit of Ranchi University.

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