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BEST PRACTICE #1

- 1. Title of The Practice: Social outreach- commitment to the grassroots.
- 2. Objectives of The Practice: The SBWAC believes in a strong sense of connectedness with the society where from a majority of its primary stakeholders come.
- 3. The Context: Higher education and the institutions where it is imparted have a significant role to play in the tangible and intangible transformation of society. The SBWAC has always striven for realizing this purpose.
- 4. The practice: The SBWAC has adopted a suburban locality (*Harijanbasti*, kafla and periphery) for regular awareness drives in matters relating to nutrition, health and hygiene, enrollment of children in primary and further education, voter's awareness program, institutional child birth and environmental awareness programs have been undertaken from time to time.
- 5. Evidence of Success: Remarkable lifestyle changes have been observed among the people of the Harijana basti of kafla locality of Cuttack. Increase in the gross enrollment ratio of the children in primary education, increasing recourse to institutional child birth, the voters assertiveness in the pre and post-poll phase, frugal use of common resources like water and some of the visible positive signs
- 6. Problems Encountered And Resources Required: Any outside intervention is presumed by people useless if no material gain is associated. Continuous efforts by the students and staff have prompted them to realise that change in mentality is more important than receiving purposive doles.

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BEST PRACTICE#2

- 1. Title of The Practice: Games and Sports: Nurturing the future talents
- 2. Objective of The Practice: The SBWAC has vowed to bring out hidden sporting talent in the hundreds and thousands young women enrolling for higher studies every year.
- 3. The Contexts: The long established tradition of excellence of the college in the sporting arena and a constant supply of talented young women, more so the sizeable tribal community, have been the driving force behind the ideal pursuit.
- 4. The Practice: The SBWAC has earned name and fame at the university/state levels in a number of sporting events on a regular basis because of a robust talent pod. This is helping young women drawn from predominantly rural areas in not only building their career in academics but in the wholesome development of personality.
- 5. Evidence Of Success: If the short period from 2018-19 to 2022-23 is any indication, the students of SBWAC have proved themselves in varied sporting competitions like net ball, chess, kabaddi, football, volleyball, badminton, basketball, putting the shot, discus throw, hockey, kho-kho, yoga and running races organized at inter-university, inter-district, state and national levels.
- 6. Problems Encountered And Resource Required: The traditional mind set of women's safety and paucity of funds have sometimes been temporary setbacks but they have not deterred the students and staffs from the relentless pursuit concomitant laurels that have ceaselessly followed.

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