

## **Best Practice 2**

**Title:** Distribution of Saplings and Medicinal Plants among Students and Local People

**Objective:**

- To create awareness among students and local people about climate change and the need of afforestation.
- To create an ecological balance at the local level.
- To maintain the oxygen level in the local atmosphere by contributing towards increment of carbon sink.
- To make students and the local people aware of the medicinal value of plants.

**Context:** Since environmental pollution has snowballed into a global concern, it is our duty to increase green cover in the environment as much as possible. It is also important to make people aware of the beneficial aspects of nature to prevent the ignorant masses from harming the environment through deforestation. Hence the initiative.

**Practice:** Seeds are collected from the staff and students. These seeds are planted in the College Garden. College generates saplings of medicinal plants from its own medicinal garden. Saplings of fruit plants and medicinal plants are distributed among the staff, students and local people. Sometimes saplings collected from surroundings or NGOs are also distributed.

**Evidence of success:** Due to our initiatives, we have been able to increase the green cover of our campus as well as the surroundings.

**Problems encountered and Resources required:** Since our college is situated in a rural area, we do not face much problem in procuring seeds or manures for this initiative.