

# **NSS COLLEGE OTTAPALAM**

## **Best Practices, 2019-20**

### **1. Title of the Practice: Eco conscious and Ecological Sensitization**

**Vision: Greening the World –Local to Universal**

**Mission:**

**To develop a culture of planting and conserving native flora and fauna.  
To create an ecologically conscious society.**

**Goal:**

**The institution has a practice to maintain green protocol in campus.**

**Environmental Sensitization in youth,**

- To create awareness among student community to protect plants and life.
- To provide nature Trekking and Field trips.
- To promote community/ family farming practices.
- To conduct Green Audit.
- To improve quality and quantity of ground water resources.
- To foster a habit of optimum use of natural resources.

**Structure:** The institution realizes these goals through a number of clubs and committees spearheaded by faculty members with the active participation of the student community. The Nature Club, NSS volunteers, Bhoomithrasena Club with the Departments of Botany and Zoology are committed towards these ends.

**Context:..** A green and ecofriendly campus is relevant not only from the point of view of physiological and psychological health of the youth, but also of the well being of the entire community. The College seeks to do its share in addressing the contemporary issues to protect the nearby forest resources and to cultivate ecologically conscious

**Practice:** The Institution has conducted the following programs:

Sl no	Club /Department	Program	Date	Funding/ collaborating Agency	Students Participated
1	<b>Bhoomithrasena Club &amp; Botany Department</b>	Environment Day	5.6.2019	Government of Kerala	90
		Plant Conservation through self knowledge	4-102019	Kerala State Council for Science, Technology & Environment	
		Seminar on Protecting Plants and Life	20-2-2020	“	65
		Nature Trekking in Kuthiran Forest	28-11-2019	Kerala Forest Department	45
		Nature Trekking in Nelliampathy Forest	6-3-2020	Kerala Forest Department	35
2	<b>Biodiversity Club Albatross Nature Club &amp; Zoology Department</b>	Field Trip to Silent Valley	1-10-2019&	Kerala State Biodiversity Board	30
		Tribal Development, Thirunelli	2-10-2019	Kerala Tribal Department	90
		Registration of Zoology Department in Bird Count India	3-10-2019	Kerala State Council for Science, Technology & Environment	16
		Honey bee and bee rearing	20-2-2020	Kerala State Council for Science, Technology & Environment	35
3	<b>Albatross Nature Club</b>	Green Audit	-	-	12
4	<b>NSS</b>	Garden Cleaning and Planting	22-7-2019	-	200

**Evidence of Success:** The College has maintained the pristine state of nature in the campus. A rich biodiversity of flora and fauna is protected and conserved by a dedicated team of workers. The faculty members are involved in tree planting schemes in association with the forest department and the Government of Kerala. There is a functional and active Nature club that works very hard to organize various events at regular intervals. All this has resulted in a continuing generation of conscientious green soldiers/students who are aware of the hazards and risks of harming the Earth.

**Problems encountered and Resources:** There is a lack of sufficient financial resources to conduct various programs.

## **2. Title: Social Responsibility as a Way of Life**

**Vision:** To educate and to train students to be efficient, empathetic, and socially responsible.

**Mission:** To inculcate social values and ethics among younger generation.

**Goal:**

- Surveys for Flood Relief activities.
- Rebuild Survey for Government of Kerala
- Collection and distribution of flood relief materials.
- To contribute to Palliative Care, Old Age homes.
- Exhibition-cum –sale of Handicrafts by Departments of Hindi and Commerce and eco- friendly products by Department of Economics.
- Aids Awareness campaign
- Corona Awareness Campaign
- Distribution of Sanitizer to locals

**Structure:** The NSS coordinators and its 200 volunteers and various departments of the institution under the aegis of the Principal organizes various activities to inculcate among the students, social and moral responsibility towards all underprivileged sections of society. Commerce and Economics departments actively participated in field surveys and Chemistry department in corona awareness programmes and Sanitizer distribution to locals

**Context:** The Institution right from its inception and the precepts of the Founder has always advocated for social emancipation of all irrespective of class, caste, or creed. The founding principles laid down by our forefathers have set our trajectory even to this day. The College and all the faculty, students, and administrative staff are united in this endeavor.

**Practice:** The College and its various Cells have organized many programs:

Sl no	Club	Program	Date	Students Participated
1	NSS	Flood Relief work I .II, III	10-8-2019 to 15-8 -2019	200
2	NSS	Malampuzha Canal Cleaning	5-6-2019	200
3	NSS	Sneha Sangamam2019	1-9-2019	200
3	Departments- Economics Commerce and NSS	Rebuild survey for Govt. of Kerala	2-9-2019 to 7-9- 2019	250
4	Hindi Department	Exhibition cum sale of handicrafts	14-2-2020	95
5	Economics Department	Socio Economic Survey on the impact of Floods in Palakkad	9-08-2019	85
6	Commerce Department	Survey on problems faced by street vendors	July to August 2019	46
7	Chemistry Department	Distribution of Sanitizer prepared by Chemistry Department to Local community	20-03-2020	112
8	Commerce department, NSS, Tourism Club	Corona Awariness Campaign	March 2020	87

**Evidence of Success:** A self-centered generation especially the youth is a bane of any society. The conduct of multi variegated programs, first hand experiences of natural calamities, meeting people who have overcome these disasters are some of

the ways the students of our campus have learnt valuable lessons for life. These experiences have changed their outlook on life and given them new goals to set. Values and ethics have become a part of their personality and changed their attitude towards society.

**Problems encountered and Resources:** Constraint due to lack of funds, a busy semester schedule, and natural disaster like floods, Corona have affected academics as well as various participatory activities of the student community.