# INDIRA GANDHI GOVT. ARTS AND COMMERCE PG COLLEGE, VAISHALI NAGAR, BHILAI

### **BEST PRACTICE 2**

#### <u>Title: -</u>

#### Preserving, securing and nurturing love and admiration for Chhattisgarhi culture.

#### **Objective of the Practice:-**

- > Creating awareness of the rich cultural mosaic of Chhattisgarh.
- The student with fast running scientific world, often forget their grass root level, their foundation. It is quite necessary that a student, however they may rise in life, but they should always have an appreciation for their culture and heritage.
- The practice is a means of promotion of literacy, performing arts, food habits, folk dance, music, ornaments among the students.
- > The practice intends to preserve and secure and nurture the rich cultural heritage of Chhattisgarh, through records, display of artifacts etc.

#### The Practice:-

- The college has a Chhattisgarhi cultural committee, which actively performs, plans various programs, lectures, webinars, visit displays related to Chhattisgarhi art and culture along with other department of the college.
- The college has organized food fair consisting of local Chhattisgarhi recipe, prepared by the students which was sold and encouraged by students and staff alike. The money generated, was donated to a financially weak student to pursue her studies.
- Similarly fashion show on Chhattisgarhi costumes, jewelry was organized by English department to propagate the traditional outfit.
- Webinars were arranged by skill development cell on Chhattisgarhi crafts like cane basketry, mud pottery, musical instruments of Chhattisgarhi.
- The department of social science organized visit of students to places which can imbibe the richness of culture, like Vidhansabha, Purkhoti Muktangan, which treasures Chhattisgarhi culture and tradition.
- The college has setup and maintains a Chhattisgarhi culture museum which preserves the artifacts, pictures, booklets, paintings, books, related to Chhattisgarhi culture.
- > The Chhattisgarhi culture committee maintains a register to keep a record of the visitors.

#### Context:-

Chhattisgarh is a newly formed state and is rich in its cultural heritage. The state has its unique and vibrant culture. It's a region with colorful tribes, rhythmic folk music, dance, which provide an insight into the culture of the state.

It has been observed that with times students are distancing themselves from the rich culture of the state, which forms the integral part of the country. Hence along with education, one must know about its roots and foundation. They should develop a tendency to appreciate and feel pride of it. Moreover, we tend to preserve their rich culture of the state as one of the identity of our multi diverse country.

#### **Evidence of success:-**

- > The evidence of success can be seen in the feedback received from the students and stakeholders.
- The evidence of success can be seen in the enthusiasm of the student in participation in the programme organized related to Chhattisgarhi culture, as student especially in cuisine / cooking / costumes would come up enthusiastically to participate.
- Often the student come up with new programs and ideas and they even arrange the guest or resource person needed for the programs.
- > The Chhattisgarhi cultural museum is one of its kinds in the area; hence it receives lot of appreciation.
- Some of the activities like Chhattisgarhi cuisine, pottery etc. organized had been taken as a small scale business and they are taking it as a profession.

#### **Problems Encountered and Resources Required:-**

- > Resources are required to stabilize the museum and maintain it.
- > Resources are also required to organize, Resource Person, who hail from far off villages
- Often the local artisan /craftsman may not converse in Hindi, and only communicate in Chhattisgarhi, which students and staff basically from other states may find it difficult to understand.





Interaction with PadmShri Teejan Bai - Well known Pandwani Singer of Chhattisgarh



## Celebrating Chhattisgarh Foundation Day - 1 Nov 2021



Displaying the food and cuisine of Chhattisgarh on the occasion of National Nutrition Month - 2021



Online workshop on Basket Making of Chhattisgarh - 4 June 2021



Display of Chhattisgarhi Costume - 10 March 2021