Best Practice-I

Title of the Practice - Knowledge Hub: Enhancing Learning through extended Library Facilities

Objectives of the Practice:

1. Promote Academic Excellence
2. Support Research and Innovation
3. Improve Information Literacy
4. Enhance Digital Learning
5. Foster Collaborative Learning
6. Encourage Lifelong Learning
7. Create a Knowledge-Sharing Community
8. Ensure Inclusivity in Learning

The Context:

In an era of rapid technological advancement and evolving educational paradigms, libraries continue to play a pivotal role as knowledge hubs that support learning, research, and intellectual development. Modern libraries, equipped with both physical and digital resources, offer students, educators, and researchers access to an extensive range of information that fosters independent learning and collaborative inquiry. Libraries serve not only as repositories of books but also as dynamic spaces for knowledge exchange, skill-building, and innovation.

The Practice:

Comprehensive Resource Collection - The College has a state of the art library equipped with all modern facilities. It maintains a diverse collection of books, journals, e-resources, and multimedia materials tailored to curriculum needs. It Implement a systematic acquisition process to regularly update resources.

User-Centric Services - The college library has adequate space to include quiet study areas, collaborative workspaces, and a multimedia center. The library is equipped with modern technology, such as computers, printing services, and high-speed internet. It also provides online library services through a user-friendly portal that provides access to digital resources. To facilitate students, departmental library facility is available in all PG departments and in BBA, BCA. To facilitate readers the college provides library/ reading facilities for 14 hours a day (7:00am – 9:00pm)

Community Engagement - The College organizes different events such as book fairs, author talks, book review competitions and workshops that foster a culture of reading and learning. The college has made collaborations with other department libraries for mutual sharing of recourses. The college also facilitates the outside readers for availing college library services. It also organizes various programs in the nearby schools for the decimation of knowledge.

Feedback Mechanism -The College conducts regular user feedback surveys to understand the needs of students and faculty and to improve library services.

Evidence of Success:

➢ The library grading committee appointed by DHE Shimla has recommended the highest Grade -V for the college library facilities.
➢ The success stories shared by our readers a testament of our quality services provided.
➢ Improved student engagement and satisfaction with library services.
➢ Enhanced academic performance due to better access to resources.
➢ Increased usage of library facilities and resources.
➢ Fostering a culture of research and lifelong learning within the college community.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

Problems Encountered:

➢ Limited financial resources.
➢ Lack of sufficient staff.
➢ Maintaining the motivation level in voluntary work.

Resources Required:

➢ Budget for creating different facilities.
➢ Budget for their annual maintenance.
➢ Adequate staff.

Supporting Documents

S.no.	Name of the Facility	Link to Relevant Document
1	**Comprehensive Resource Collection**	View
2	**User-Centric Services**	View
3	**Community Engagement**	View
4	**Collaborations with other Institutions**	View
5	**Success Stories**	View