INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS

Phek Government College, being the only institution of higher education in the District Headquarters, it acts as a catalyst for community development through community extension services by the faculty members as well as the students. Community extension services by the institution have taken many forms wherein the teachers as well as the students, either collectively or in their individual capacities, have rendered their best towards the betterment and upliftment of the society in terms of social capital. Phek is a district in Nagaland which is predominantly inhabited by the Chakhesang and Pochury tribes, both of which falls under the 'Backward Tribe' category. Phek Government College is located in Phek Town which is also the District Headquarters. It has the unique distinction of being the only college in a town with a population of nearly 15,000. As such, it has a dual role to play. It caters to the educational needs of the burgeoning youth population, and at the same time, acts as a catalyst for community development in terms of social capital.

The institution has strived its best to not only cater to the educational needs of the community, but it has also served the community by extending services and creating awareness about social issues in various ways in the year 2022, some of which are mentioned as under:

- 1) The faculty members of the college extended their services as co-ordinator, assistant co-ordinator and academic counselors to the IGNOU Study Centre in Phek Town.
- 2) Faculty members are also board members and consultants in important academic boards, institutions and organizations. They are also leaders and members of important local organizations such as Lotha Hoho, Sema Baptist Church Phek Town, Angami Union Phek, the Gideons International in India etc.
- 3) To promote social justice and equity in education, the institution provided Special Merit Scholarship and Special Merit Scholarship for General Category Students to meritorious and needy students. L.Mefutiba Merit Award and Certificate of Recognition, Education Department was given to the college topper in the University exam and topper in Education honours, respectively.
- 4) Phek Government College was awarded the District Green Champion Certificate by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, for the academic year 2021-22 in recognition of its efforts in successfully elevating the Swachhta Action Plan, and implementing best practices in the areas of sanitation, hygiene, waste management, water management, energy management and greenery management.
- 5) The NSS volunteers attended New India 75th Year of Indian Independence organized by the Nagaland State AIDS Control Organisation, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India on 24th February, 2022 at Phek Government College.
- 6) The volunteers of NSS attended the International Women's Day on the theme "Break the Bias" organized by Women Development Cell, PGC on 8th March, 2022.

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- 7) On 23rd April, 2022, the college participated in the Phek Town Chakhesang Students' Union 18th Sanitation phase from Clock Tower to Local Ground, Phek Town, under the banner "One strength, One Voice."
- 8) A freedom rally, Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav commemorating 75 years of Independence was jointly organized by NSS, NYKS and District Youth Resources Office, Phek in collaboration with the District Administration, Phek on 29th April, 2022.
- 9) The NSS volunteers orientation programme was held on 11th May, 2022 with Dr. Thoshusie Katiry and Dr. Medongulie Zatsu as resource persons.
- 10) The NSS participated in the Mega Tree Plantation Drive commemorating World Environment Day on the theme 'One Person One Tree' on 5th June, 2022 organised by the District Planning and Development Board in collaboration with the National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Ltd.
- 11) The NSS volunteers participated in the awareness programme on 'Fire Safety Measures' oreganised by the Fire Department, Phek in the college campus on 6th August, 2022.
- 12) The students of Phek Government College participated in a walkathon on the awareness of "Har Ghar Tiranga" in commemoration of the 75 years of Indian Independence from Clock Tower to Local Ground on 8th August, 2022.
- 13) An awareness program on "Har Ghar Tiranga" in commemoration of the 75 years of Indian Independence was held on 10th August, 2022 with the teaching faculty and students of the college.
- 14) A field study trip-cum-cleanliness drive was organized by the teachers and students of environmental studies of the college, in Mt. Kapamodzu, Phek district, on 26th August, 2022. The main purpose of the trip was to study the vegetation and also to create awareness about the importance of conservation of environment and ecotourism.
- 15) Phek Government College, in collaboration with NIT Nagaland and GB Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment, Uttarakhand, sponsored by National Commission on Himalayan Studies conducted a one-day workshop on "Sensitization and Developing a Cadre of Para-hydrologist on Spring-Shed Management" on 31st August, 2022.
- 16) The Programme Officer and the volunteers of NSS observed "World AIDS Day" on the theme "Equalize" on 1st December, 2022 in collaboration with Nehru Yuva Kendra, Phek.
- 17) Students from the college's Red Ribbon Club participated as volunteers during the World AIDS Day program at District Hospital, Phek on 1st December, 2022.

Phek Government College, as the only institution of higher education in the district headquarters, is committed towards creating a support system which would enable a substantive transformation of the society. The institution foresees itself to be a place where academic knowledge is not merely imparted, but it strives to be a place which produces individuals who will be agents of transformation in the society. While it contributes to the society, the institution also feeds on the vast support network that it receives from the local community in pursuance of its goals, values and mission.

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