



7.1.9 Sensitization of students and employees of the Institution to the constitutional obligations: values, rights, duties and responsibilities of citizens

The Constitution of India assigns high values and responsibilities on citizens viz. respect for the National Flag and the National Anthem, uphold and protect the sovereignty, unity, and integrity of the country, render national service when called upon, promote harmony and the spirit of common brotherhood, renounce practices derogatory to the dignity of women, value and preserve the rich heritage and environment of the country, safeguard public property, and promote education.

These objectives are in the focus of Hamidia college as the vision and the mission statements emphasize. The college promotes quality education with utilization of full human potential towards building equitable and responsible individuals of a strong nation.

Academic and extra academic environment in the campus gives opportunity to the students to face challenges of the world while adhering to ethics and cultural values of our diverse nation. Students, right from the time of their admission are encouraged to learn about and abide by duties and responsibilities of citizens. Students are routinely sensitized about the need for protection of environment through numerous programmes carried out throughout the year for cleanliness and tree plantation. Blood donation drives and road safety rallies infuse sense of pride, compassion, and responsibility towards the society.

Details of activities that inculcate values necessary to render students become responsible citizens-

- **Constitution Day** – (26th November every year) with sensitization of students towards the constitutional values, rights, duties, and responsibilities of citizens. Students are encouraged to participate in activities on the related themes.


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- **Voters Awareness Drive (03/01/2018)** - Students participate in district level competitions under the aegis of NSS, winning prizes in debate, painting, essay writing and slogan writing. 14 colleges and 112 students participated in the program.
- **Celebration of National Voters Day** - Campaigns taken by the students make them aware towards their democratic rights and duties. This adds to developing their personality also.
- **‘National Unity’ in Annual Function of the college** - Focus on ‘*Ek Bharat, Shreshth Bharat*’ theme. Students joined in colourful dresses representing various regional cultures of the country, thus bringing out the true feeling of ‘Unity in Diversity’. Competitions like solo and group songs, Rangoli and walk in traditional dresses were held.
- **Lessons from Mahatma Gandhi’s life** - Conference (13/02/2020) on *Relevance of Gandhian thoughts and practices* motivated students towards Gandhi’s principle of simplicity, as he always practiced ‘simple living and high thinking.’ The principal stressed on leading a good life within modest means, citing the example that Gandhi was frugal in his living. Dr Pare suggested the students to visit the places visited by Gandhi in Madhya Pradesh. Speakers called upon to save trees and replace wood with cow dung based composite wood during Holi festival. Slogan writing competition was also organised.
- **Saga of national integration and brotherhood during seven-day camp.** Hamidia students listened to thought provoking speeches by eminent personalities from varied fields, engaged in multifarious activities, and performed in cultural events. The chief Guest Sri Surjeet Singh Chauhan, Bhopal Municipal Commissioner, Dr R K Vijay, Sri Rahul Singh Parihar, Village Sarpanch, Principal and faculty members, participated in this event. Sri Parihar went down the memory lane remembering illustrious alumni like Chief Minister, Ex Governors, IAS, IPS, Members of Parliament, etc. It was informed that student Atul Singh Rajawat will be honored for his exemplary service by Indira Gandhi NSS Award by the President of India.
- **Students Exchange Programme (14 - 27 March 2017)** - Under the *Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat* initiative of HE Dept, Hamidia College students were part of a sixteen-member team that carried goodwill from MP to the states of Manipur and Nagaland. In this exchange programme the students learned about their culture and customs and participated in academic and cultural events. They visited several govt colleges in Dimapur, Kohima and Imphal; National Zoological Park, Kohima War Cemetery, Tribal

Museum, Govinda Temple, etc. Student of Hamidia College, Shubham Chauhan, represented MP state and gave presentation on the culture and heritage of the state as MP occupies an important position in India. In the 'Return Exchange Visit', 23 students from Manipur visited MP. They gave performance on martial arts and performed with students of Hamidia. In the farewell event organized in Hamidia College, students presented a cultural event together; Manipuri students sang Madhya Pradesh Gaan, while a student of Hamidia sang *Sana laiva*, a Manipuri song and all joined for *Bundelkhandi* songs. Thus, students learnt an array of cultural and community ideas. Senior officers from HE Dept, Govt of MP were also present.

- **Panchayati Raj** is the basic institution in rural India that makes the very foundation of governance in villages. A district-level symposium on the 'Role of PR in the Reinforcement of Democracy' held in the college brought together students from six colleges (October 2019). The participants deliberated on decentralization of administration. Gandhi's views were stressed regarding complete freedom of governance to villagers.
- **Seminar on Relevance of Gandhian Thoughts** 12/02/2020 - Topic: Materialism versus Spirituality. State Coordinator of the Personality Development Cell was the Chief Guest. Speakers included scientist Dr Harshvardhan from IIT Delhi among others. Students wrote slogans on Gandhi's messages. In another programme – **Gandhi Samvad** – Gandhi's preaching and practices were the focus. Main speaker was Dr. Bramhanand Alune. Literature on Gandhian thoughts was distributed to students at the college.
- **Nehru's Philosophy and Legacy** - Dept of History and MP History Council jointly organized a two-day seminar. Over 200 students participated and got enlightened from the talk of chief guest, Prof Rehman Ali, retd archaeologist.
- *Yuva Sankalp Divas* – Rajiv Gandhi's 75th Anniversary was celebrated with oration competition in the college.
- **National Integration Day Celebration** – November 19th.
- **75th Anniversary Celebration of Quit India Movement**, August 2017 - Cleanliness was the focus of activities. NSS adopted village Bhoipura witnessed street play, awareness rally and 'clean your neighbourhood' drive by students.
- **Seminar on water and river conservation focused on** - clean water tanks of Bhopal and clean rivers for good health to all.

- **Reverence to the Teachers** - Contribution of teachers in building a strong nation was the theme of a special programme by Personality Development Cell (July 2017).
- **Service to Society** - NSS Camp in village *Hinauti Sarak* concluded with a message for students to feel pride in indigenous culture and do service to society (April 2017).
- **Transparency in Governance and Role of Information Technology** - State-level seminar during 'Yuva Sankalp Varsh' brought out numerous advantages of IT. Seven universities participated in the event.
- **Foundation Day of NSS**. September 2016; January 2017 Hamidia students spread message of cleanliness in village *Bhoipura* as part of Gandhiji's 150th Birth Anniversary celebration. Speakers in a seminar organised by MP State AIDS Control Committee called upon today's youth to be cautious and spread awareness about the curse.
- **Republic Day and Independence Day celebration**. Every year after hoisting of National Flag, singing of National Anthem and devotional songs, taking of oath of national integrity, the college invites eminent persons to motivate students and staff by appraising the contribution of freedom fighters and accentuate duties and responsibilities of citizens.
- **Research Ethics** - The college is a research centre for 10 disciplines. Postgraduate students are given lectures on research ethics.
- At UG level, curriculum in Foundation Course deals with environmental issues to sensitize students for preserving ecosystems and environment. Students learn about moral values through Mahatma Gandhi's "My Experiments with Truth". They also learn about rights and duties, liberty and equality, justice, welfare state, power and authority, Indian National Movement, Fundamental Rights and Duties, etc.
- Students' volunteering in national health programme, in association with government and non-government organizations has created a niche for the students of the college. It is noteworthy that one student at the college, Shubham Chauhan, has been designated as Brand ambassador of *Swachchhata Abhiyan* for Bhopal.