Key Indicator – 7.2

7.2.1 - Describe two best practices successfully implemented by the Institution as per NAAC format provided in the Manual.

Best practice-1

1. Title of the practice: Fee Concessions by the College Managing Committee

2. Objective of the practice:

1. To encouraging more girls to pursue higher education, especially those from underprivileged backgrounds.

2. To provide quality education to the students belonging to economically weaker section especially.

3. To contribute in the mission of women empowerment through education.

4. To attract more students to join the institution.

5. To promote gender equality in education and society.

6. To encourage academic excellence by providing financial incentives.

3. The context:

Its context revolves around, founder of this institution, Behan Devki Devi Ji's dream of self-reliant women. She considered education as a key tool for women's empowerment and societal progress. This fee concession facility is institution's commitment to turn her noble dream into reality. Reduced fee burden helps the women belonging to underprivileged section to gain skills, confidence and intellectual independence.

4. The Practice:

A significant portion of fee is waived off every year. 20% of the full fee is waived off for the students belonging to the low-income group, single-parent child and meritorious students having above 80% marks in the previous exams. This session the amount of concession given was 38, 47,384/-. Besides there is also provision of 50% fee concession for the teacher's wards.

5. The Evidence of Success

It made education more accessible to the girls belonging to disadvantaged backgrounds. Many students, who were earlier thinking of discontinuing studies after 10+2 have successfully completed their graduation and post-graduation and got good placement opportunities.

6. Problems encountered and resources required

Ever-increasing demand for fee concessions affects institution's operational budget. Sometimes it becomes very difficult to determine the authenticity of the demand for concession which creates the chances of wrong utilization of this provision by financially stable students. To provide opportunities

to maximum number of deserving students, the institution has to rely on external sources in the form of donations or scholarships.

Best practice-2

1. Title of the practice: Entrepreneurial Fiesta-2024: Kalakari se Karobari

2. Objective of the practice:

1. To inspire and encourage students to explore entrepreneurship as a viable career option.

2. To provide hands-on experience in business planning, marketing, sales, and financial management.

3. To create a platform for students to present innovative ideas, products, and services, fostering creativity and innovation.

4. To cultivate a mindset of financial independence and self-sufficiency among women.

3. The context:

The context of organizing this Entrepreneurial Fiesta every year revolves around the founder of this institution, Behan Devki Devi ji's dream of self-reliant women of our society. This year the fiesta was organised as a tribute to Behan Devki Devi Ji on her birth anniversary.

Empowering young women to explore and exhibit their entrepreneurship skill is a pathway to selfreliance and leadership. As our institution aims to provide an environment that nurtures creativity, innovation, and confidence, and this fiesta aligns with this mission.

4. The Practice:

To make the students self-reliant, a one-day long Bazaar "Kalakari Se Karobari" was organized in collaboration with Red Ribbon Club 12th March, 2024. Exhibiting their unique entrepreneurial skills, the students arranged around 60 stalls ranging from a variety of food items, beauty and skin care, handicraft and handloom to play zone. Different food corners like delicious phuchkas, chaat & tarts, taste of Chinatown, Sweet Corn, Indo-Korean veg-ramen, Chocolate Laddoo, Bhel Puri, Mojito, Pasta, Sandwich, Dhokla, Shakes, Cold Coffee, Fruit Chaat; and other attractions like Mehandi, Nail Art, Press-ons, Homemade soaps, Hair oils, Face pack, Artificial jewellery, Handlooom, pots, Macrame art, Paintings and many such more stalls were arranged. The highlight of the fiesta was 'Dance floor delight'.

5. The Evidence of Success

The event proved to be a great success as it gave actual market experience to the students. It gave them a chance to understand the importance of fluctuating market demands and competition. Those who earned profit gained confidence to move further in this direction and those who incurred loss learnt a lesson for the next time.

6. Problems encountered and resources required

The most common problems faced while conducting this event were: budget constraints, team coordination issues and hasty decisions leading to wrong market judgements. But in spite of all these issues, the young entrepreneurs achieved the desired goal of organising this fiesta. The best lesson which they learnt was to 'Be decisive and bear the responsibility of their decisions.'