

Best Practice –I

2019-20

Adoption of Crematorium

Goals:

- To maintain cleanliness drive of the Crematorium
- To eradicate blind faith
- To bring environmental awareness among students and villagers
- To generate scientific temper among the masses
- To create social attachment
- To bring out socialization

The Context:

We observe, today, in every village that there are quarrels and controversy over the crematorium among the castes. We adopted this Khadgaon crematorium which is near to the college to establish healthy relations and bring social awareness among the future generation. It is said to be abode of ghosts, evil spirits and fierce deities. Therefore, people in general prefer to avoid going near crematorium at night.

To achieve above goals, our college has undertaken one untouched and novel programme. The NSS unit of our college is very active and we have organized various programmes through it. We have a strong desire to do something innovative and creative for the society in which we live. During the discussion, our office colleague Mr. Satyanarayan Bhutada suggested to adopt Crematorium the neglected thing by the society. His innovative idea is liked by all. So, to do something for the society we adopted this crematorium to remove and eradicate their feelings of fear, blind faith and generate scientific temper. Our college has adopted the nearest Crematorium of Khadgaon road, Khadgaon. With due permission and insight of our principal, the NSS unit of the college has contributed well by implementing this scheme. The principal, the teaching, non-teaching staff and students actively participated in making this Crematorium clean and green by planting different types of plants under this scheme.

The Practice:

The college has maintained cleanliness and planted trees with the help of NSS students and all the staff members in Khadgaon Crematorium. Our aim was not limited only to maintain cleanliness and plant trees but also, we tried our level best to create humanity, scientific temper, environmental awareness and national integrity among the minds of each and every person who enters this crematorium.

We feel proud to mention here that we painted some selected slogans on the walls to make everyone conscious about the purpose of their birth, life and death i.e. the human cycle of life. We also feel glad to cite here that we are practicing it as our best practice successfully for the last three years.

We feel proud to mention that these activities of keeping the Crematorium clean and maintaining it from time to time is a special activity of our NSS department. The college has taken this mission with prior permission through proper channel of the Grampanchayat.

Tree plantation and cleanliness of Crematorium is done on the occasion of 15th of August, 2nd October, 12th December, and 26th January. Around 60 trees and 52 tree guards are planted and maintained.

Specially, all these tree guards are donated by all our staff members. We take care of these trees by watering them every week. All the college students actively participate in this mission.

Evidence of success:

This helped us in keeping the Crematorium clean. By planting different plants, it proved fruitful in maintaining the environmental balance, to remove and eradicate their feelings of fear and generate scientific temper. It became useful in eradicating the traditional blind faith, and misunderstanding prevailing among the students as well as the villagers. It proved useful in changing the mentality. So, we are happy to mention it that this is as an impressive accomplishment of our college.

We all are aware that every one enters the crematorium for performing the last right of a person after death. The body is seen as an instrument to carry the soul. Bhagwat Gita quotes, "Just as old clothes are cast off and new ones taken, the soul leaves the body after the death to take a new one." Cremation is referred to as "antimsansakara", literally meaning 'the last rites'.

Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

When we planted trees for the first time in Crematorium, we didn't find those trees at that place. Next year, we planted the trees once again on the same place for the second time. Keeping this problem in mind, we decided to donate tree guards by each member of our staff. We find the difficulty of negative mentality of our students. The question of religious equality is raised among the students. It is very difficult to get the co-operation of the employee of crematorium.

We found even the non-cooperation of the villagers. We also faced the difficulty in keeping the trees safe and water the roots. We also faced the scarcity of water. To overcome this scarcity of water, we tried to keep these trees alive by watering them sometimes by private tankers and mostly by recycling the waste water near the crematorium. Though the college has faced such various difficulties, we adopted this Crematorium as our special drive. The college has made efforts to protect these trees and keep it clean.

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प्यातून पायपीट । देखरेख नसल्याने स्वच्छतेचा बोजवारा, प्रवेशद्वारात दुर्गंधी, वृक्षांकडेही दुर्लक्ष

खाडगाव स्मशानभूमीत वाहतेय गटारीचे पाणी !



स्वच्छता करण्याची गरज...

स्मशानभूमीत श्रीमती सुरीलाटेवी देशमुख महाविद्यालयाच्या पुढाकारातून अनेक वृक्ष लावण्यात आली आहेत. त्याची निगा हीत नसल्याचे चित्र पाहावयास मिळत आहे. प्रवेशद्वारातून आतमध्ये जातानाच चिखल तुडवीत जावे लागत आहे. शिवाय, दुर्गंधीयुक्त पाणी जमा होत असल्याने नागरिकांच्या आरोग्याला धोका निर्माण झाला आहे.

लोकमत न्यूज नेटवर्क

लातूर : शहरातील खाडगाव स्मशानभूमीची दुखस्था झाली असून प्रवेशद्वारातच गटारीचे पाणी येत असल्याने अंत्यविधीसाठी येणाऱ्या नागरिकांना पाण्यातून वाट काढावी लागत आहे. याठिकाणी मोठ्या प्रमाणात वृक्ष लागवड करण्यात आलेली असून झाडे चांगली आली आहेत. परंतु देखरेख नसल्याने स्मशानभूमीत अस्वच्छता निर्माण झाली आहे.

लातूर शहरातील प्रमुख स्मशानभूमीपैकी एक खाडगावची स्मशानभूमी आहे. याठिकाणी दररोज किमान दोन ते तीन अंत्यविधी होतात. त्यामुळे इथे येणाऱ्या नागरिकांची संख्या मोठी आहे. स्मशानभूमीच्या प्रवेशद्वारातच



खाडगाव स्मशानभूमी परिसरात मोठ्या प्रमाणात दुर्गंधी वाढलेली आहे. या ठिकाणातून वाहणाऱ्या नालीची उंची कमी असल्याने रिगरोडलागत्या नालीत पावसाचे पाणी बसत नाही. त्यामुळे पाऊस पडला की सडतील पाणी हे स्मशानभूमीत जाते. पाण्यात वाढून आलेला कवरा उदोघ पडत असल्याने नागरिकांना येरसोयीचा सामना करावा लागतो.

पावसाळ्यात गटारीचे पाणी वाहते. त्यामुळे आत जाण्यासाठी नागरिकांना रस्ता शोधावा लागतो. स्मशानभूमीच्या परिसरातही स्वच्छता नसल्याने मोठ्या प्रमाणात दुर्गंधी आहे. गटारीच्या पाण्याचा येथून योग्य निचरा होत नसल्याने ही

समस्या दिवसेंदिवस वाढतच चालली आहे. स्मशानभूमीलागत असलेल्या रिगरोडच्या नालीची उंची वाढल्याने शहरातून येणारे पाणी रिगरोडच्या नालीत जात नाही. परिणामी मोठा पाऊस झाल्यास सदरील पाणी स्मशानभूमीत शिस्ते

किंवा रस्त्यावर येते. दुर्गंधीयुक्त पाण्यातून इथे येणाऱ्या नागरिकांना मार्ग काढावा लागतो. स्मशानभूमीची देखरेख नेमकी कोणाची असा सवाल उपस्थित केला जात आहे. विधी करून उतलेले साहित्य अनेक जण रस्त्यावरच टाकतात.





