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## 7.2 Best Practices

### 7.2.1 – Describe at least two institutional best practices

#### 1. Title of the Practice Tanzeal

**Objectives of the Practice:** The objective was to actualise the NSS motto of ‘Not me but You’ and help in community development.

**The Context:** The children who come from families in the neighbouring slums have no opportunity for institutionalised learning with limited resources to purchase books. To cater to the needs of such children, the NSS unit of the college enrolled around one hundred volunteers, who undertook several activities to actualise the motto of NSS.

**The Practice Under project Tanzeal:** NSS volunteers taught 120 students from the neighbouring slums on the campus on weekdays. A holistic teaching module was prepared to take care of the mental and physical needs of students. Through a help desk, old books were collected as per the needs of students. All the important national days and festivals like Independence Day, Rakhi, Holi and Diwali were celebrated with them. Students were also taken for picnics to places like the Bal Bhavan, the Red Forts and parks in adjoining areas.

**Evidence of Success:** The book donation drive provided resources to the underprivileged children and the efforts of the volunteers witnessed increasing enthusiasm among the children towards education. The value of inclusion was promoted. The success was evident in the high participation rate (120 students).

**Problems Encountered and Resources Required:** Motivation remained a key hurdle in actualizing the full potential of the project. The lack of enthusiasm among some volunteers kept the scope of the project limited. Moreover, the challenge was to sustain the motivation of the underprivileged children over a long period of time.

#### 2. Title of the Practice Project Adhikaar

**Objectives of the Practice:** Project Adhikaar took on the task of empowering women through e-rickshaw training.

**The Context:** The families in the nearby villages were facing financial problems due to which they were not able to fulfil the basic needs of their children. These problems led to the dropping out of children from schools.

**The Practice:** Team Enactus, DCAC started project Adhikaar where the members provided e-rickshaw training to women. The objective was economic empowerment of the women along with skill development. This empowerment will also trickle down to their children who will not have to drop out of school due to lack of resources. The women were trained for four weeks and were taught the basics of traffic rules, financial stability and self-defence.





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**Evidence of Success:** Team Enactus, DCAC empowered 52 women through skill-based training in using e-rickshaws. After procuring an e-rickshaw through micro-credit, women could earn up to ₹ 20,000 per month after getting skilled through this project. The success of this project was covered by The Quint Bloomberg..

**Problems Encountered and Resources Required:** The problem of addressing gender stereotypes remained the major hurdle in this project. The micro-credit facility should be provided to more families to procure e-rickshaws.

