Best Practice 1: Student National Seminar

1. Title of the Practice

<u>Student National Seminar</u>. This is conducted annually for undergraduate and postgraduate students with the intention to give the students exposure to research, publications, and knowledge transfer. Students from various streams are allowed to present papers on the given themes.

2. Objectives of the practice:

- To promote research among Undergraduates and Post Graduates students
- Creates a forum and provides platforms for the exchange of ideas and discuss potential topics related to each department.
- The target audience is mainly Undergraduates and Post Graduates students.

3. The Context:

- Topic: The seminar topic should be relevant, current, diverse, and of interest to the target audience
- Speakers: The selection of speakers is critical to the success of the seminar
- Venue: The venue should be accessible and conducive to learning.
- Logistics: Logistics planning is crucial in ensuring that the seminar runs smoothly. This includes planning for transportation, accommodation, meals, and other necessary arrangements.
- Evaluation: Evaluation is essential to determine the success of the seminar and identify areas for improvement. Evaluation can be done through feedback forms or surveys from the attendees.

4. The Practice

- Student-centric: The seminar is designed with students in mind, and it is tailored to their needs and interests.
- Interactive: This enables students to learn from each other, share their perspectives, and build their knowledge and skills.
- Networking: This helps to build professional relationships and broaden students' horizons.
- Mentorship: A student national seminar provides an opportunity for students to receive mentorship and guidance from experienced professionals in their respective fields

5. Evidence of Success:

Attendance: Higher attendance rates indicate that the seminar was successful in generating interest and attracting participants.

Positive feedback: Positive feedback from attendees, presenters, and sponsors is a strong indicator of a successful seminar. Feedback is collected through Google feedback forms.

Publication opportunities:

6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required:

- Budget constraints: It is difficult to secure funding for the seminar, and even with funding, there were constraints on how much can be spent.
- Quality control: Ensuring the quality of the presentations and panel discussions was a challenge, especially since the speakers are students, who may lack experience in public speaking and presentation skills.
- Technical difficulties: Due to covid, some sessions were conducted online, which impacted the flow of the presentations due to range issues in WIFI.
- Time management: Seminar organizers faced challenges to manage their time to ensure that the seminar runs smoothly and stays on schedule.