

Institutional Distinctiveness

Motivation, Inspiration and Honour: Shahaji Urja Paritoshik Scheme

Shri Shahu Chhatrapati Shikshan Sanstha and Shri Shahaji Chhatrapati Mahavidyalaya, Kolhapur, have pursued Rajarshi Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaja's revolutionary thoughts on education. The institution is imparting quality higher education to its students and providing excellent academic atmosphere for their overall development. So as to achieve vision, mission and objectives, the institute implements various practices in curricular and extracurricular areas. One of the prominent quality imitatives undertaken by the institute for creating quality culture and achieving excellence is the practice entitled, '**Motivation,**

Inspiration and Honour: Shahaji Urja Paritoshik Scheme'. The scheme intends to give power means 'Urja' to the students for boosting self-confidence and for pursuing their goals in life. Through this scheme the attempts are made to provide consistent motivation and inspiration to the students. The successful students are honoured with 100+ cash prizes and certificates every year and are felicitated in the auspicious presence of dignitaries. In last five years, total 282 students were awarded with cash prizes and certificates. **Shahaji Urja Paritoshik Scheme** remains the benchmark created by the institution among all the affiliated colleges of Shivaji University, Kolhapur. It is entirely run through the financial supporters of the institution. The Principal has strengthened scheme by appealing stakeholders to initiate the prizes and awards in the fond memory of their loved ones.

For the effective implementation of the scheme, separate committee with its unique mechanism is constituted. The committee, under the Chairmanship of Principal, performs its functions including preparation of year-wise plan. The plan has got sanction from IQAC and CDC in their meetings. It is decided in CDC meeting that the scheme fund received has to be deposited in the SSCSSKS Pat Sanstha and the annual interest generated on the deposited amount will be given as cash prizes every year through resolution. The plan was executed with the procedure stated below:

- The Principal is taking sincere efforts continuously in implementing the scheme by facilitation through constant inspiration and support. He pointed out the need of raising fund to initiate prizes in various subjects.
- The students are motivated throughout the year about the scheme and are also provided necessary assistance by teaching and administrative staff.
- The prizes are awarded in Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony.
- Attempts are made to donate the prizes at the auspicious hands of the honorable donors.
- The audited statement is prepared and maintained for the scheme every year.

Mechanism of the Scheme:

A well-planned mechanism is followed in the process of preparing name list of prize winners. The committee collects the names of the topper students from respective subjects. The names of prize winners from NSS, NCC, Sports, Library and Administrative Staff are decided by the respective head on the basis of performance. The final list of prize winners is sanctioned in the committee meeting after getting confirmation from IQAC and CDC. The prize winners are communicated about their selection. From the academic year 2020-2021, the special prize 'Student of the Year' is started in order to inspire the students to exhibit outstanding overall performance. The prizes are awarded every year in auspicious presence of dignitaries in the field of academics as well as alumni, retired staff and well wishers. The donors are felicitated for their contribution in the award distribution ceremony. The scheme is given wide publicity in the quarterly publication 'Shahaji Bulletin'. The issue of the bulletin is distributed to the students with the view of enabling them to cherish their memories for long time.

Impact of the Scheme:

- Ensured commitment and participation of all stakeholders with the Institution.
- Developed sense of responsibility and trust among all the stakeholders.
- Prizes developed unbiased competitive spirit among the students.
- Boosted the self-confidence and motive for excellence among the prize winning students.
- Increased participation of students in curricular and extra-curricular activities.
- Ensured the engagement of former faculty and alumni in institutional progress.
- The prizes rendered financial support to the students.
- Increased the attendance of the students for all programmes.
- The scheme developed the sense of commitment and intimacy about the college among the students and parents.

Appreciation of Scheme:

- Dr. D. T. Shirke, Vice-Chancellor, Shivaji University, Kolhapur acknowledged that it is first of its kind practice implemented successfully among all the colleges affiliated to the university.
- Dr. V. D. Nandavadekar, Registrar, Shivaji University, Kolhapur, praised our efforts made for raising measurable fund through interaction, appeal, counseling and cooperation. He pointed out that this is a guiding example for other colleges.
- Prof. R. G. Waradkar, Former Head, Department of Political Science, expressed his opinion that these prizes are going to inspire the students throughout their life.
- Mr. Satish Chavan, Alumnus and renowned Industrialist, appreciated the scheme.
- Miss. Snehal Kadam, 'Student of the Year 2021-22 Award' winner, expressed her views with the words 'it is the most memorable achievement of my life.' She also stated that this scheme really motivated her and will become a source of motivation to all upcoming students.

Fund donors:

Donors	Total Nos.	Donated Amount
Current Senior College Teaching Staff	22	140000
Current Junior College Teaching Staff	18	90000
Former Senior Teaching Staff	12	210400
Former Junior Teaching Staff	6	52000
Current Administrative Staff	5	20000
Former Administrative Staff	3	32000
Alumni	4	36458
Well-wishers	4	65000
Current Student	1	20000

Total= 665858

Incremental Growth:

Academic Year	Total Prizes	Donations	Fund
2017-2018	08	81458	81458
2018-2019	41	201400	282858
2019-2020	67	152000	434858
2020-2021	78	55000	489858
2021-2022	88	176000	665858
Total = 282	665858	666858	

Shahaji Urja Paritoshik Scheme has received wide publicity in leading newspapers. It has been acclaimed by all the stakeholders, prize winning students and parents. Thus, all the stakeholders are putting their efforts to improve quality performance of the students. Even the parents have also expressed their immense satisfaction on this distinctive scheme. Through this unique scheme the institute is marching towards achieving excellence in quality education.