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The Director

ASTECC, Guwahati, Assam

Date: 18-08-2022

Subject: Proposal for the Promotional Scheme "Drive against Superstitions"

Dear Sir/Madam,

Attached please find the proposal for the Promotional Scheme "Drive against Superstitions" as submitted by the Department of Physics, Sipjhar College, Darrang for its approval.

The details of the enclosures are stated as:

1. Cover Application letter
2. Proposal details
3. Bank details.

With regards,



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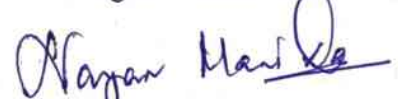
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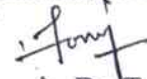
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Project proposal

Objective of the Program:

Today is the day of technology, tomorrow is far advanced. The mankind has evolved from the apes to the sapiens with the vast use of the cerebellum and cerebrum. We have a better life or a luxury life which the other animals or primates are deprived of which is because of the tremendous developments of brain. Any hypothetical ideas or views now can be challenged with full-proof arguments; and this has led to the present era for the human kind. In spite of all these, a group of people or some part of the society still is living the primate's era thought and is still having the same ill-notions. The superstitions, the ill-notions, the ill-practices (such as witch hunting, daunting the females, ideas treated as taboos) stand as a bar for future progress and utter a look back into it. These delay the future progress of mankind and in certain cases even they end up with loss of innocent lives. We need to uproot such thinking and practices from the core of our present society, and sooner is the better. With this notion in mind the Department of Physics,

Sipajhar College with the support from the principal of the same college has put up their minds to aware the ground level people or mostly the village areas where such practices seem to be more prominent. The young minds in the school of remote villages will be taken into our radar. At first we will consider 5 to 6 such school within the sipajhar locality and will discuss or share the ill-effects of all the superstitions and ill-practices. A few motivative and encouraging speech will be arranged with some intellect from the subject background and also try to arrange other means (such as workshop, exchange of words, street play etc.)

Importance of the Program:

National-level: The Indian constitution is providing the religion as fundamental rights to it's citizen, and this has led to the ill-practice of different social evils in its name. The followers of the practices have profoundly cherish the idea that such practices keep the mass of people calm and composed, they keep people safe from adverse unknown outcomes, and have rationale views for ever-practicing thoughts. Apart from it the wrong-doing in utterance of religion or ill-practices have led to many lives. The self-declared so called Godman have robbed the people of their money in the name of religious doings. There are many such examples which are anti-societal. The Government of India have taken steps to reform our societies by passing laws, encouraging literacy, special focus on rural and tribal areas, raising awareness, enhancing science and technology, female literacy, separating beliefs and religions. In spite of the laws and rules the superstitions are still a large scope to be reformed urgently and speedily.

State-level: Like the other states of the sub-continent, Assam is also trying its hands on raising the awareness amongst the local citizens against superstitions. The Government has implemented its laws through different scientific and non-scientific organizations, non-profit organizations to work against the superstitions or ill-notions. ASTEC is one of the few such organizations under Government of Assam, which regularize and provide the funding to promote against the ill practices. The hurdles are always there and there are failed stories of awareness programs in Bihar, on the other hand other state like Maharashtra could handle the same very effectively.

Village-level: In 2020, Sipajhar College had received funding from ASTEC for the program "SASKAR". The aim of the project was to aware common people mainly students (of schools

/colleges) lived near sipajhar college. Through this program both college and students were benefited. Exchange programs, arranged good quality lectures in schools were done. As a feedback, many schools nearby Sipajhar College request our college to arrange such programs so that more and more students along with their parents and family get the benefit. This encourages us to arrange many such activities for the social benefit. The importance of the program is to develop thinking and communication capability of students at school level.

Justification of the proposal:

The native of Sipajhar is surrounded by the village areas. The literacy percentage is below the average rate. The people here still believe the classic ideology and the other superstitious beliefs are still in work. We as the highest academic institute in the Sipajhar area need to show our desire to enhance the education system and thus promote the scenario of the present advances world to these sum of people. With the help of this initiative we will try to send the message of today's era to the common people. This surely will lift the scientific thinking and logical doings amidst these mass.

Place and dates of the program (Tentative)

We have chosen the following schools in the locality of Sipajhar. Tentatively we have also managed the month on which the programs will be conducted.

SI No	School name	Locality	Approximate students to be covered	Tentative month of conduction
1	Sipajhar B J high School	0 km from Sipajhar station	100	Within 1 st month of proposal approval
2	Sankar Jenith Academy	1.5 km from Sipajhar station	100	Within 2 nd month of proposal approval

3	Gandhi Smriti High School	3.5 km from Sipajhar station	100	Within 3 rd month of proposal approval
4	Sipajhar Academy	0.5 km from Sipajhar station	100	Within 4 th month of proposal approval
5	Sipajhar Jatiya Vidyalaya	1.5 km from Sipajhar station	100	Within 5 th month of proposal approval

Budget:

The distributions of budget with their heads are mentioned in the following table. (for a single designated school)

Sl no.	Details	Amount (INR)
1	Resource person honorarium or Street Play Artist / TA	2000/-
2	Tea and snacks (at school premises)	1200/-
3	Transportation	1000/-
4	Arrangement (Mike, generator, UPS, projector)	1300/-
5	Banner (flex)	500/-
6	Others (helper, pen, papers, water bottles etc.)	1000/-
	TOTAL	7000/-

The budget for the chosen 5 schools would be $7000 \times 5 = 35000$ /- (INR) (*Rupees Thirty Five thousand only*)

Conclusions:

We appreciate ASTEC and Government of Assam to initiate such a program thinking the overall progress of the common people irrespective of the caste, place and society. We would be highly obliged if we could be able to make upto the grant level. We the faculty of Sipajhar College has always been open for helping hands to the needy ones from the neighboring villages in making the standard of living a sound one. We have conducted a couple of such programs initiated by ASTEC beforehand also and have given a successful conclusion with lot many beneficiaries from the local neighboring villages. Our works have been appreciated not only amongst the local people but also in the administrative levels. As a part of the local society we believe in progressing hand in hand with the localities.


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