

# Best Practices 3



## 1. Title of the Practice

Adoption of Konampet Village -Community Service through Little Flower Extension(LIFE)

## 2. Objectives of the Practice

**What are the objectives / intended outcomes of this “best practice” and what are the underlying principles or concepts of this practice (in about 100 words)?**

The adoption of Konampet, Sangareddy Dist, initiated by LIFE (Little Flower Extension) with the objective of improving:

- Education
- Healthcare
- Infrastructure
- Livelihood enhancement
- Overall wellbeing and leading to improvement in quality of life

## 3. The Context

**What were the contextual features or challenging issues that needed to be addressed in designing and implementing this practice (in about 50 words)?**

After surveying a few villages, the college decided to adopt Konampet Village to focus on the socioeconomic condition prevailing in the village and to better the overall living conditions of the residents.

The initial stage while adopting this village was a careful planning assessment of the village and a meeting with the local Sarpanch, Ward Members and the locals. The meeting with Sarpanch led to a detailed action plan outlining the needs, goals, objectives, strategies and activities for the village adoption program. The needs of the village were prioritized based on the urgency of needs of the village.

## 4. The Practice

**Describe the practice and its uniqueness in the context of India higher education. What were the constraints / limitations, if any, faced (in about 400 words)?**

The adoption of a village plays a crucial role in improving students education in several ways:

- Adoption of the village made students aware of the specific needs and challenges related to education.
- The students understood priority must be given to healthcare to lead an active and productive life, which can lead to preventive measures and timely treatment of illness.
- The college highlighted the current status of hygiene, identified the challenges and provided necessary suggestions and help for improvement.

It creates a sense of duty among the students. They come to know about the challenges faced by the people living in the rural areas. Awareness was created in the areas of

- Hygiene in the village
- The condition of the school in the area
- Drinking water facility
- Health issues faced by the villagers

### **5. Evidence of Success**

**Provide evidence of success such as performance against targets and benchmarks, review/results. What do these results indicate? Describe in about 100 words**

- Conducted a survey on the economical status of the residents of Konampeta
- The first project was installation of a water purifier to improve the drinking water facility where the villagers were going to another village to bring drinking water.
- Free medical camp and eye testing was organized for the villagers and the students of primary school.
- Free distribution of vitamins, calcium tablets and syrups to the villagers.
- Our college students were mobilized to clean and beautify the village and school.

### **6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required**

**Please identify the problems encountered and resources required to implement the practice (in about 150 words).**

- There was initial reluctance and resistance and Skepticism among villagers which posed a significant challenge in gaining their trust.
- Limited involvement of village community members in the initial stages.