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### **Institutional Distinctiveness**

#### **Title: Quality in Overall Development of Institutional Activity**

#### **Objectives:**

1. To plan activities such as outreach programmes through institutional clubs
2. To promote Programme like Blood donation
3. To create eco-friendly environment to build a sense of responsibility in students towards environment.
4. Promote self-defence activities
5. To guide students regarding scholarships

#### **Content:**

Army College of Nursing (ACN) was exclusively established at Jalandhar Cantt (Punjab) for daughters of Army personnel/Ex-servicemen in Aug 2005. ACN is functioning under the aegis of Army Welfare Education Society (AWES) which is proudly serving the Army by its professional management of 137 Army Public Schools and 12 Professional Colleges throughout the country. ACN is recognised as one of the top three Nursing Colleges of the university and has had the most enviable record of 100% results, large number of distinctions and 100% quality placements in 'Best in class' hospitals of NCR and North India. The college rightly prides itself by having the best of infrastructure and most conducive environment for the daughters of the brave soldiers of Indian Army

#### **Practices:**

The Institute provides ample opportunities to the students for well complemented growth in academic as well as sports, cultural and other extra-curricular activities organized through institutional clubs and SNA. The spirit of mutual work, discipline, social responsibility towards community development and nation building is inculcated through Youth Red Cross, National Service Scheme, and National Cadet Corps. Blood Donation, awareness campaign and Programmes are also organised time to time to promote a sense of service among students. The Institute contributes towards women empowerment by organizing various activities under Gender Sensitization and Women Development. The Nature care and environmental awareness is being promoted by Institute through Green Audit of the Institute campus, Tree plantation, Water conservation-treatment-reuse, scientific waste management, energy audit, Health & Wellness audit, Cleanliness campaign etc. Polythene free campus and Solar water heaters at the roof are the examples of our eco-friendly approach. We feel proud that Institute is known for empowering girl students hence time to time through self-defence classes to equip the girls with the needed skills. The NCC unit for girls provides a suitable environment for a disciplined life and taking up a career in the armed forces.

Students are guided regarding scholarships from Govt. and TNAI. Students are beneficiaries of such Scholarships; special efforts are put in to arrange for scholarships by philanthropists.

**Evidence of Success:**

The college is time to time appreciated by the institutional management committee and Board of Governors of the successful planning and implementation of such programme. These programmes are also bringing recognition to the institution from stakeholders, faculty, students etc.

**Resources Required**

1. Teaching staff who are committed and have good network or have social media skills
2. Separate budget allocation for certain programmes and extension activities.
3. Administrative support for documentation and arrangement of infrastructure, transport facilities.
4. Local resources collaborated with Army Authorities like Vajra Indoor Shooting Range, ASHA school, central MI rooms etc.
5. College NCC, NSS & Red Cross units, with due guidance and collaboration of 2 Punjab Battalion, Red Cross Society Jalandhar and NSS Jalandhar.

**Challenges faced:**

1. Difficulty in getting prompt responses from the community.
2. Lack of education in underprivileged community creates barrier in communication



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