

## **Best Practices 2016-17**

### ***1. Promoting female hygiene & health as part of “Swachh Bharat” initiative***

Maintenance of right cleanliness and hygiene is essential for preventing ailments resulting from infection. This is true not only in terms of personal hygiene but also for the surroundings which an individual lives and works in. For a Women’s institution, this revolves around the personal hygiene for young female students and as also the maintenance of hygienic environment for all. Therefore, easy access to **Sanitary Napkins** using **Vending Machine** is of prime necessity. In line with the objectives of the “Swachh Bharat Mission” of the Government of India a sanitary napkin vending machine was installed which would dispense napkins for a paltry sum of money to the students.

To ensure maintenance of hygienic environment and sustainability, proper care and initiative must be taken by every single woman to carefully dispose of their used sanitary pads. Hence an incinerator was also installed for proper disposal of used napkins. The objective was also to help students prevent spread of infection and ensure a safe environment for all.

### ***2. Promoting ICT- enabled learning by becoming a local chapter of NPTEL, MHRD initiative***

Gokhale Memorial Girls’ College and NPTEL and jointly organized the “**NPTEL Awareness Workshop**” for the faculty and students of the College on 14/01/2017. The workshop was conducted by Sri Biswajit Chowdhury, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics and the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the College. Mr. Shib Sankar Das, Network Engineer, Centre for Education Technology, IIT Kharagpur was the honourable speaker. The aim of this workshop was to create maximum awareness about NPTEL and its various initiatives. The workshop included sessions on NPTEL and its features, NPTEL Online Certification Courses and the concept of the NPTEL Local Chapter. Typical duration of the workshop was 11:00 am - 1:00 pm., followed by an interactive session with the students. Subsequently NPTEL, IIT Kharagpur created a dedicated local chapter page for the college and it became the Local Chapter of NPTEL from 18/01/2017 with Sri Biswajit Chowdhury appointed as the SPOC.

The first batch comprised of 25 students and they applied for various courses such as –

- Post-colonial Literature
- Emotional Intelligence
- Foundation Course in Managerial Economics
- Services Marketing: A Practical Approach
- Language and Mind
- Human Molecular Genetics
- Consumer Behaviour
- Ethics
- Enhancing Soft Skills and Personality
- Probability and Statistics
- Introductory Course in Real Analysis