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Title of the Best Practice: Daily News Reading in College

Objectives:

- To encourage students to develop the habit of reading newspapers regularly.
- To enhance awareness of current affairs, national and international events, and socio-economic developments.
- To improve students' reading, comprehension, and communication skills.
- To promote analytical thinking and informed discussions on contemporary issues.
- To create a culture of knowledge-sharing and intellectual engagement on campus.

Context:

In today's digital age, many students rely on social media for news, which often leads to misinformation and shallow understanding. To counter this, the News Reading in College initiative was introduced to help students develop a habit of reading reliable news sources. This practice ensures that students stay informed about national and global events, improve their language skills, and actively engage in meaningful discussions.

Practice:

- **Daily Newspaper Availability:** Newspapers in different languages are made available in the library, reading room.
- **News Sessions:** A dedicated time is allocated for students to read newspapers before classes start.
- **News Presentation:** Selected students or faculty members summarize and discuss key news articles during assembly or classroom sessions.
- **Writing & Reflection Activities:** Students write daily news summaries, reflections, or opinion pieces to enhance their analytical and writing skills.
- **Competitions & Recognition:** Quizzes, essay writing, and speech competitions on current affairs are conducted to boost engagement.

Problems Encountered:

- Difficulty in allocating dedicated time for news reading within the academic schedule.
- Ensuring access to newspapers in multiple languages for students from diverse backgrounds.
- Lack of initial interest among students in reading newspapers.
- Encouraging students to differentiate between reliable and fake news sources.
- Managing the cost and availability of newspaper subscriptions and digital resources.

Resources Required:

- Subscriptions to newspapers.
- A designated reading area in the library.
- Access to digital news platforms, online newspapers, and news applications.
- Student volunteers to monitor and facilitate news discussions.
- Scheduled time slots for structured news reading and interactive sessions.





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