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Agenda

1. Hospital & Medical Facilities

a. Computerize the medical records of hospital synced with webmail IDs and hence establish an online appointment booking portal.

I propose that all the medical records in our Institute Hospital and sync them with webmail IDs of the concerned so as to facilitate the process of maintaining & transferring (when required) medical history, taking appointments and hassles of hospital number. It will also make all the medical records including medicines taken from pharmacy at the hospital centralized. It will also help parents monitor the medical records of their wards in special cases. I also propose to extend this system to establish an online appointment portal.

b. Create a mechanism for feedback of the medical staff.

I propose to establish a mechanism that will allow patients to give feedback of the doctor which will be forwarded by student body to medical officer on monthly basis.

2. Dealing with Women Empowerment

a. Conduct Self -Defense classes for women in campus

With the context of all the sexual harassment cases witnessed in past 2 years I propose to organize Self Defense Classes for Women of our campus to fight back and take necessary steps in their defense when they undergo such mis-happenings.

b. Celebrate Women's Day on a grand scale.

To establish and present the respect and dignity of women in IITG inside and out campus I would like to organize celebration of Women's day on a grand scale in campus.

3. Udhbav

Expand Udbhav into a full-fledged inter-departmental fest.

As Udbhav basically aims at encouraging and enhancing interaction between students and faculties, I propose to organize Udbhav as inter-departmental fest on cultural grounds along with already existing

sports so that all the students and faculties with interests and talents on different grounds can be made a part of it.

4. Plans for Intern and Placement training

To help all the students face intern and placement recruitment process I propose to organize training sessions on Aptitude test, coding skills, group discussions, Personal Interviews etc. periodically throughout the year and on frequent basis when intern and placement season near. I would also like to make sure that as soon as campus intern and placement season ends a student departmental meet would be organized where the next batch students would be informed with statistics of present year placements and interns, and guided via their seniors to prepare themselves in one year.

5. Facilitate group studies for students preparing for higher studies:

To help students aspiring for GRE, TOEFL, GMAT, CAT, GATE, UPSC etc. prepare as a group, help and guide each other, I would like to propose to facilitate interested students to form groups using Fb group and call for meetings, then after they can periodically meet and discuss on their preparation strategies. The advantage of such groups would be students can share and would have better access to study materials, plus each group would be allotted with a mentor who would be an already experienced alumni who would guide and motivate them.

6. Student Exchange Program

a. Encouraging IITG students to opt for it:

I propose to organize talks, videos on student exchange program, stating its rules, procedures and advantages to motivate our students to opt for it.

b. Events for exchange students

To make exchange students feel at home in our campus and our country I propose to organize a welcome event for them as we do for fresher's during fresher's week at the beginning of year, and 2-3 day small fest for students from different countries where we can have cultural, sports, technical and other fun activities which would enhance interaction between exchange students and native ones.

7. Counselling and Advisory Cell

With campus witnessing two extreme tragic and sensitive incidents last year, actively working of counselling and advisory cell is of utmost importance for now. On this context I would like to propose

making of counselling and advisory cell more popular and accessible to students so that they approach it at initial stage of their problems itself before it turns too deep and vast inside him.

- For this an experienced and interested faculty from each department would be made part of the counselling cell where he can donate few hours regularly and help students fight their academic pressures.
- The professional counsellor to be made more popular and close to student community by encouraging talks and discussions about the ease and advantages of counselling in social networking sites to hostel HMC meetings.
- Problem sharing platform: We can have a portal where students can anonymously post their small yet serious problems or depressive thoughts and interested, serious Campus Junta would comment on it providing tentative solutions.

8. Interaction club

a. Student Mentorship Program:

To make STP more popular among students I would propose to make it more flexible and easy without much rules and procedures involved in it. This would enhance the required level interaction among mentors and mentees ensuring a long term bonding. I would also propose allotment of mentors on regional basis which would help a fresher to open up more frankly.

b. Departmental talks:

Organizing departmental interaction talk on monthly basis with faculty members where students can give feedback on on-going as well as completed courses to DUPC, raise their academic issues and present the challenges and need of their current courses.

c. Departmental Seminars:

While some departments conduct it, I would like to organize it for all the departments once in each semester where in a series of days of departmental seminar both undergraduate and post graduate students would meet and discuss on some general, interesting and very popular topics of their own departments from very basic to advanced level.

9. Youth Empowerment Club

a. Yes+ and spiritual camps

With Yes+ being organized successfully in campus already I would like to continue it with providing them further aid in terms of volunteers, venues etc. and extending such initiatives to yoga classes and spiritual camps having a tie up with the Hari-krishna movement.

b. Anti-addiction

I would like to propose organizing of anti-addiction motivational talks and a link in IITG through which students can actually undergo anti-addiction treatment.

10. Social's Club

a. Linkage with NGO's

With already existing lots of activities on-going in social's club I would further like to propose of linking it with NGO volunteers wing to facilitate interested students to work as interns during semesters and vacations to contribute for a noble cause and themselves gain experience of working in such organizations.

b. Strengthening of ZIZ:

With ZIZ successfully running, I would like to provide to encourage more volunteers and facilities for ZIZ program.

11. Students Rights and Responsibility Club

a. Academic rights

I propose to try for shortening and simplifying of administrative procedures in academic issues and getting transparency in it. To create provision of getting more than 7 books issued from the library on special permission from the concerned professor.

b. Initiatives

To establish a grievance cell where one can inform about any kind of Sexual, gender and racial discrimination he/she faces. To make people aware of already existing Women Cell and ensure whether the problems reported to the cell are rectified or not.

12. Clear boundary between new clubs

With emergence of new clubs and already existing clubs who overall work for the welfare of campus the clear distinction in work frame is essential for their smooth functioning, so I propose with consent of all the club secretaries welfare board would come up with distinct boundaries for all its clubs.

13. Facilities for research scholars:

As research scholars continue their research work all night with some of the labs provided with just stools and few chairs, so I propose to get proper seating lounges/facilities for them to ease out their working during all day and night.

14. Extension of academic/non-academic building timings:

a. Library Timings:

I propose library timings to be extended till 2 a.m. atleast during exams

- b. Allowance of girls to stay all time in labs and dept. CC's: During exams, projects and assignments girls could stay in dept. labs and CC's even after 12p.m. without much of procedures.
- c. Extension of New SAC timing:

With New SAC closing time just at 10:30p.m. it becomes really difficult for Gymkhana members to carry out their activities as students get free from all academic and sports activities only after 8p.m. so extension of New SAC timing atleast till 12p.m. is essential.

15. Bus facilities

To organize and devise proper routes for intra-campus buses on required time at important stops to make intra-campus bus system more useful for the campus junta.

16. Transport facility for PD

I propose to make an arrangement of carriage-system for students who are handicapped by leg to facilitate them for attending labs, classes etc. on time.

17. Student Well-being group

To bring the existing student well-being group to fore-front and make it more popular accessible to campus students, ideate and plan out with them necessary steps and amendments required in certain rules and systems for student well-being.

Experiences (Credentials if any):

- 1. **Secretary, Anchoring Club**: Joining this post I have gained skills such as organizational, management and dealing with administrative procedures (under SGC) by organizing successful events like Mr. and Miss Fresher'14, Interviews of guests on a professional interview set-up during Techniche, managing Anchoring and Control desk announcements during Techniche, Anchoring and giving organizational help in various events organized by cult board like Virasat, Independence day Celebration, Bhupen-Hazarika Anniversary Celebration, Rhythmus etc.
- 2. **Vice President, Saarathi** NGO: Recently a group of IITG students have started their own NGO to help human trafficked survivors with the help of student affair section and welfare board, being the vice president of that initiative, I am learning further administrative and management skills on an NGO level.
- 3. **Represented college in Mood Indigo'14**: As Anchoring Club we participated in various literary modules and stand-up comedy acts in Mood Indigo for the first time where I was the contingent leader from our institute.
- 4. **Branch Representative**: I have been acting as BR since Jan'14 till present of department Physics, 2012-16 batch where I have learnt smooth and convincing interaction with DUPC members, dept. HOD and professors while organizing departmental feedback talks, departmental seminars, departmental parties and Udbhav.
- **5. One of the Mentor under Student Mentorship Program:** Being a part of Student Mentorship Program, I have experience of dealing with problems of fresher's, encouraging them on both academic and non-academic grounds, helping them overcome stress and issues.
- 6. **NSS Group Leader**: I have worked as one of the first co-group leader and then group leader for around three semesters for 2012-16 batch where I organized plantation, cloth, paper and medicine collection drives. Organized cleanliness drive for my group and took part in street play for city awareness.
- 7. **Active Member of RadioG**: Chief Organizer of numerous Radio Shows(mentoring campus own Radio Station, RadioG) which acts as campus media.
- 8. **Active Participation in college events**: I have anchored numerous events in campus, interviewed various prominent personalities visiting campus, won VJ hunt in Manthan, worked in a Movie Project by