

### 7.3.1 Distinctiveness

#### MET Seva

Institution like to be recognized with its different attributes, which make it distinct. These distinctive characteristics of the Institution are reflected in all its activities in focus & Practice. Institute believes in setting benchmark for itself and others in the society.

Being an institute of higher learning, we realize our role in building a society free from discrimination and deprivation. In order to fulfill our role, we are engaged in various tasks, which can be labeled as Best Practices. Fostering Community Responsibility, Gender Equality, Spreading environmental awareness etc. these few initiatives are taken as part of its best practices by college.

The institute right from its inception is functioning with one of the objectives of serving humanity and uplifting the deprived section of society. Promoters were inspired by ideology promoted by Mahatma Jyotiba Phule and Savitribai phule.

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*Lack of knowledge leads to indiscretion ;*

*Indiscretion leads to lack of ethics.*

*Lack of ethics leads to absence of direction and momentum;*

*Absence of direction and momentum results in bankruptcy.*

*Such is the havoc caused by the lack of knowledge.- Mahatma Jyotiba Phule*

Promoters believe that education is only way to uplift the society. The vision of the trust and the institute focusses on overall development of stakeholders while creating sense of responsibility towards the society. Marching towards the vision the corporate social responsibility cell, MET-SEVA, was established.

The main purpose behind this was to create a sense of responsibility and instilling sensitivity amongst the students and other stakeholders towards community development. The CSR cell was established with the following objectives:

- To instill a sense of social responsibility in the minds of the students
- To engage the students in meaningful service that meets community needs
- To equip the students with skills, attitude and knowledge so that they can work for the deprived sections of society.

Under MET-SEVA Institute tries to help underprivileged strata of society by providing them support through various activities. With the help of students institute is identifying, supporting and promoting innovations and scalable interventions for empowering the underprivileged.

Under MET Seva, few villages have been adopted for their holistic development through student's involvement in social upliftment programmes.

Apart from this, the cell have also provided their services along with Nashik Maha Nagarpalika by setting up the Covid care center during the second wave of the pandemic at Meenatai Thackeray stadium of Nashik. This was only for the covid patients with Oxygen saturation level above 92% and HRCT Chest score of less than 6. The patients were kept there under the supervision of the appropriate no. of Doctors and other Medical staff. Food was made available for the patients. There were sufficient number of oxygen cylinders kept for the patients. MET seva have gone an extra mile in taking this step when overall it was a situation where there was lot of fear of the pandemic and everyone was fighting with it.

