

Best Practice 1.

Title of the Practice: Blank Paper Bank - To Save the Paper to Save the Tree

- Goal:**
1. To save the paper to save the trees.
 2. To bring environment consciousness among the student.
 3. To make aware the students about the wastage of paper.
 4. To cultivate the social ethics among the students.

The Context: To create environment awareness among the student is the basic concept behind this practice. Million tons of paper produces every year. A ton of paper costs 17 trees. Thus, huge amounts of the tress are cut down by the industry to prepare the papers every year. Saving a piece of paper will ultimately save these trees. By saving the paper we can contribute in reducing the negative impact that paper production has on the natural forests reservoirs, people and wildlife that depends on them. Also it will contribute in reducing the climate change and keep our ecosystem healthy. So to save the papers, department of chemistry started the practice of Blank paper bank.

Practice: • Students use new practical manual for every semester. After the end of session, some unused or blank pages remain in it.

- Students of chemistry department have started the practice of collecting such blank papers. They ripped out all the blank pages from the practical books, taking care not to rip the pages. Trimmed the rough edges to square off the rounded corners.
- Students assembled the stacks of paper sheets properly, having a hundred pages each. Then, these were sent to professional bookbinder for binding into note books.
- These note books prepared from blank papers were donated to needy children of village school and made them useful again.

Evidence of Success: College students get aware about saving of the paper. Students not only donated their papers from the used manual but also collected paper from the students of their nearby houses. Thus, social awareness is developed among the student. In addition to note book student also donated some school stationary to the poor and needy students of village.

Resources Required: Interested student volunteers.

Problems encountered: It is found to be difficult to raise the fund for the preparation of note book.