

5.3.2 Presence of Student Council and its activities for institutional development and student welfare

Response:

Student Council is an initiative to harness leadership skills amongst the students. The Student Council act as an umbrella body for all the clubs and committees on campus, ensuring their smooth functioning at each juncture. Apart from being the link between the students and the management, the Student Council is responsible for the broad enhancement of the campus and constantly strives towards making the experience of the student on campus comfortable and enriching. The student led body undertakes responsibility in organizing various events, discipline students and bring accountability in their sphere of allocated duties. This practical training of students helps in development of their personality, leadership skill and team work. It is a body “by the students, of the students and for the students”. The role of student council is:

- a) To do conceptualization, planning and execution of an event
- b) To interact between students of various classes, teachers and guests
- c) To inculcate in students the importance of observing various rules and regulations of university
- d) To develop leadership qualities
- e) To encourage positive initiative and provide students an avenue to demonstrate their creative talent.

Student council is an important platform consisting of students and supervised by seniors. The Council assists all clubs and committees on campus with their functioning and conducting of various other activities. It provides opportunity to students to develop their leadership skills, attitude, personality and many other aspects for holistic development. It operates with a sense of responsibility in dealing with the student concerned activities. The university also encourages participation of student representatives in various decisions making, academic and administrative committees, this enables them in acquiring better academic environment. Student opinions and suggestions are considered to take measures in view of students' perception. University puts efforts for the all-round development of a student. It contributes to educational spirit and community welfare. It is the voice of student body which help share student ideas, interests and concerns of education with the community. They often also help raise funds for institution wide activities such as social events, community projects and reforms. They help in organizing seminar workshops and conferences. They also participate in public function, cultural activity, sports, debates and various competitions.

Students are also allowed to give their feedback in mentor groups about teaching learning process and other activities of department in the university. Students are allowed to register their grievances and interact freely through these councils. They can suggest or complain regarding curriculum, support services and any other unfulfilled requirements. Students can also be nominated as members of disciplinary committee, anti-ragging committee and other such committees as the need arises. The functions and activities of a Student Council should support the aims and objectives of the Council and promote the development of the institution and the welfare of its students. Student council work closely with the administration, teachers and students and consult periodically with other students in the institution, further they involve as many students as possible in the activities of the Council. There is a wide range of activities

that benefit the institution by an active student council. The Student Council has the freedom to represent the views of the student body to the institute's management thereby promoting good communications practices within the institution.