

Best Practice 1: Truly Nazareth Podcast Initiative

Introduction:

In the academic year 2022 to 2023, the Department of Visual Communication introduced the Truly Nazareth podcast as a flagship initiative.

Objectives:

1. To deliver insightful narratives showcasing inspiring life stories from Nazareth Institution.
2. To establish a platform driven by alumni involvement, created, and executed by students.
3. To foster positive change among young minds by offering guidance on life skills, career paths, motivation, and practical solutions to everyday challenges.

The Context:

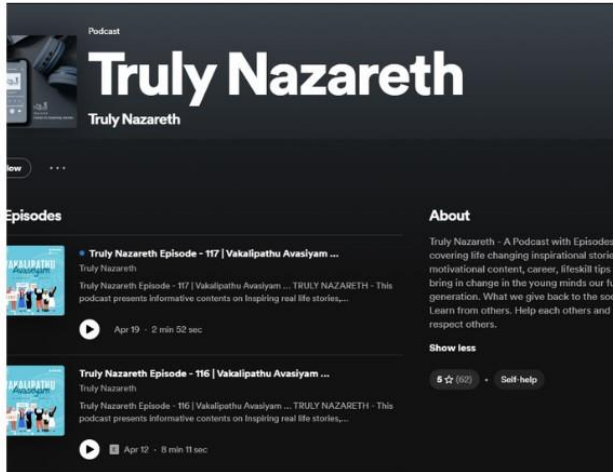
Situated in the outskirts of a rural district, the college caters to a student population, 80% of whom hail from underprivileged communities in and around Avadi and Thiruvallur District. Many students lack access to comprehensive education, motivation, and peer support. The podcast serves as an accessible medium to address these needs.

The Practise:

The podcast airs every Thursday at 6:00 PM, crafted entirely by students who conceptualize, script, provide background scores, and produce the content. Distribution is facilitated through the Spotify app.

Evidence of Success:

The initiative aims to produce over 100 episodes, showcasing its sustained impact and longevity in providing valuable content to its audience.



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Best Practices -2

Title of the Practice: STEW program

The STEW program which stands for “STOP throwing E-waste” is an initiative led by the Department of Computer Science at Nazareth college (The STEW program includes E-waste Awareness, E-waste drop-off and E-waste Disposal as three levels of practice.

Objective of the practice:

Level 1: To create awareness on E-waste management among students and faculty within college and neighborhood schools

Level 2: To initiate E-waste, drop off day at the institution to encourage the students of schools and colleges to drop E-waste on a designated day

Level 3: To initiate a E-waste disposal system by collaborating with E-waste recycling company in Chennai.

The context:

The college has partnered with schools for awareness, E-waste recycling units for Disposal. This signifies a commitment to responsibly manage electronic waste, further enhancing the program impact and sustainability thereby following responsible environmental practices.

The Practice:

Level 1: E-waste management Awareness

The students of Computer Science were given awareness on E-waste and E-Waste ambassadors were selected to spread awareness through the STEW-Program to neighboring schools

Level 2: E-waste Drop off

This initiative aims to reduce E-waste through prevention, reduction, recycling and reuse. The Schools in Kovilpathagai were given awareness about E-Waste and informed the E-waste Drop off program and were encouraged to participate. The staffs and students of the college also encouraged to drop off E-waste at a designated box in the lobby

Level 3: E-waste Disposal

The collected E-waste from schools and colleges was sold to a E-waste recycling company. The company pays for the E-waste and also gives E-certificate to the institution.

Evidence of Success:

The STEW program has been successful at all 3 levels, the number of beneficiaries are listed below

Level 1: 1143 students

Level 2: 12 items weighing is 369 kg

Level 3: The collected was disposed at SKV E-waste Recycling Private Limited

Problems Encountered

1. Insufficient facilities to collect, store and process E-waste at Department
2. To Encourage schools to change their disposal habits



