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### 3.6.1 Extension activities in the neighbourhood community in terms of impact and sensitising students to social issues and holistic development during the last five years

Various kinds of extension activities were conducted during the past five years by the university. Students and faculty members on the campus carried out these activities. Our community service student group Sambhav is active in organizing various activities for the social cause. Few of these activities include: blood donation camp, old age home visit, Orphanage visit, Vigyan Shala visit, Swachhata Hi Seva, cloth collection and distribution etc. These events are participated by a large number of students with good number of faculty members involved to motivate the students. Sambhav organizes Blood Donation Camp every year in association with Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad. Donation are held in our Faculty mess and the donors are provided food and all the necessary care. For more details, please see : <https://www.facebook.com/wemakeitsambhav>. Our students arrange extension activities in the neighborhood community sensitizing them to social issues and holistic development. They undertake the Plastic Free Campus drive to keep the environment neat and clean on a regular interval. Every year, our Director visits community science center under GUJCOST and contribute towards popularizing the science and mathematics education among high school students.

The B.Tech curriculum at DA-IICT includes **rural internship (RI-One of the best practices of DA-IICT)** as a compulsory component. Each group of Students carry out 4 weeks of internship by and spending time with the villagers. The best part of our RI is that when the students graduate, they describe rural Internship as one of the best experiences that they had at DA-IICT. Students work in various types of NGOs; some work on education, some are into bringing awareness, some fight for the rights of some groups, some are committed to health, some work for solid waste management and environment. A group of students who had gone to Uttarakhand took up the task of solid waste management on themselves. They not only segregated the garbage with their own hands but even designed a system that can be followed for garbage collection. Another group of students who were working with primary school children developed an app on mobile to teach them alphabets. The experiment was very successful. Many students develop close ties with the NGOs and the villages they worked for. Some students keep in touch with the families in villages and visit them again, long after their internship. The whole experience of living together as a group with just basic amenities, and doing some work that could be useful to the local population, leaves a deep impression on their minds.

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