



KALINGA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES (KISS)

Deemed to be University, Bhubaneswar - 751024

(Declared under Section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

### 7.1.9 Sensitization to the constitutional obligations

**Q: Sensitization of students and employees of the Institution to the constitutional obligations: values, rights, duties and responsibilities of citizens.**

**A:** The University pays great attention to celebrating various national and international commemorative days. The institution lays emphasis on gender, Sustainable Development Goals, happiness, values, education, human rights, volunteerism through community work, persons with disabilities, inclusiveness, indigenous people, humanism, tolerance, food securities, children and youth, health and hygiene, compassion, solidarity, women empowerment, legends of the state/nation, Constitution and sports. In the recent past, many sensitization programmes have been organized with the objective of making responsible citizens.

- The commitment is reflected in the Vision and Mission of the University and KISS-DU follows it in letter and spirit.
- The University has introduced an array of Value-Added Courses on Active Citizenship and Democratic Values, Inclusive Education and Gender Equality, Self-Help and Happiness, among others.
- The University had conducted online courses on Self-directed Emotional Learning for Empathy and Kindness (Compassionate Integrated Training) in partnership with UNESCO and Life University USA.
- Observation of Constitution Day, Human Rights Day, Republic Day and the like to sustain constitutional ethos. The same has been incorporated in the regular syllabus as well.
- Making youth active, responsible, and empathetic citizens through NSS, YRC and Rovers and Rangers in order to remind them about their duties towards community building and institutional social responsibility.
- Learning through movies, academic excursions, field visits, cultural and study tours on thematic areas of environment, human relations, and culture
- Festivals embracing cultures, religions including sacred groves are observed in order to infuse brotherhood and 'We' feeling, respect for women etc.
- World Environment Day, Volunteering, Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan, Sustainable Development Goals, Community Engagement Activities, Plantation Drives, Earth Hour.
- From health perspective – International Day of Yoga, Fit-India Campaign and sufficient emphasis on sports and games is given at KISS-DU. To add to it team building, leadership and sportsman spirit is imparted through sports.
- Anti-Substance, Anti-Ragging, and Blood Donations Camps are conducted on a regular basis.
- The University had played frontline work during the Covid-19 pandemic. This included reaching out to the community people at remote villages. District visits are organized frequently to inculcate humanitarian feeling among staff and students.
- UN Days like International Day of World's Indigenous Day, International Day of Peace and Women's Day etc.
- Awareness Programmes on Code of Conduct, and Professional Ethics are regularly organized for teaching and non-teaching staff from time to time.

- Vigilance Week is observed every year and talks on corruption free India are held on campus.
- Students and staff are encouraged to adopt ethical approach in academics while conducting research and publications.
- Awareness Sessions on laws, rights and duties.
- MOOT Court Sessions on relevant issues
- Adopting the institutional philosophy of Art of Giving, Kanya Kiran, students and staff participating in Kalinga Fellowship (systems change societal leadership platform focusing on broad area of gender-based violence). The Fellows learn to create safe spaces for the survivors hence building an empathetic attitude with the mission to bring in a change in the society.