



DDMS(AMS) P. OBUL REDDY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Quality Circle

It was a proud moment for the school when the first ever student Quality Circles team won the **'Gold Award'** at the Chapter Convention on Quality Concepts, organized by Quality Circles Forum of India (QCFI), Hyderabad Chapter. The award was a cause of further celebration as it is the second time in a row that the school has won the award, that too, in only two years of introduction. Earlier, the teacher team had won the award at the national level as well and qualified for the international level convention.

The Crusading Comrades, as the student team named itself, consisted of Gayathri (Team Leader), Bisman Kaur (Dy. Team Leader), Sayeeda Farhath, Aarna and Pranav, all students of Grade XI. The comrades conducted a case study on the topic 'Mental and Emotional health at stake during the Pandemic period'. They followed the 12-step methodology of identifying, selecting, defining, analysing the problems, identifying causes, analysing root causes, analysing data, developing solutions, foreseeing probable resistance, trial implementation of solutions, regular implementation of solutions and finally Following up and reviewing. These steps involved regular meetings, brain storming sessions, conducting survey, collection of data etc., in addition to following the meticulous process. The case study was a huge success and brought about a sea change in the attitudes of both the teachers and the students. Teachers were found to be more empathetic and students more responsible ensuring the realization of the objective of the case study.

The added advantage of conducting the case study was that the team could find solutions to a few other problems as well. The team quoted at the end on how each member has developed confidence in finding solutions to problems and how simpler life ahead seemed to them. The case study was conducted by the team under the mentorship of Ms Sreekala Madhavan, HOD, English Department and a team of five other teachers.



A felicitation ceremony for the winning team was held at the school auditorium on 18 November 2021, in the esteemed presence of Shri S.V. Rao, Chairman, DDMS P. Obul Reddy Educational Academy, Shri. Ch. Balakrishna Rao, Chairman, QCFI, Hyderabad Chapter, Shri. Varadachary Janardhanan, Faculty member, QCFI, Hyderabad Chapter and Smt.Latha Shankar. Principal, DDMS P. Obul Reddy Public School.

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Speaking on the occasion, Shri S.V. Rao, also the Chief Guest of the event, congratulated the team and encouraged a greater number of students to form such teams and work towards quality learning. Shri. Balakrishna Rao, in his address, appreciated the team for its efforts, while calling for more number of teams to work towards the goal of the Quality Circle. Shri Janardhanan, Mentor to the team, also spoke on the occasion and praised the commendable efforts of the students in the conduct of the case study. Smt. Latha Shankar, Principal congratulated the team and said that she was looking forward to more such efforts towards providing quality education.