



Government Arts College, Kaparada

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7.3.1: Portray the performance of the Institution in one area distinctive to its priority and thrust within 1000 words

To Procure Water from Damanganga Ambitious Astol Plan and also Revive the Other Source of Water

Though, Kaparada is known as the Cherapunji of Gujarat, it faces acute water crisis. Kaparada is situated on a rocky and elevated hillock, so water does not percolate into the ground during rainy season. Instead it slips away. The institution made it a point to do away with the water crisis at the earliest. Several students from Kaparada would migrate to Dharampur for higher studies after HSC due to water crisis. The institution determined to combat it. We vehemently put forth the issue of water crisis before the competent authorities. The institution wrote a letter to Deputy Executive Engineer, Water Supply Board, Dharampur to provide water connection to the college from the Ambitious Damanganga Astol Plan vide letter No. GACK/2020/Astol Group Plan/328-337 dated 12/11/2020, drawing his attention to acute water crisis. The institution also drew attention, stating that the other source of water had already disconnected as the pipeline from the well deep on the rivulet about three kilometers from the college, passing through Vanvasi Girls' Hostel had damaged at several places and got disconnected about three years ago due to construction of the road.

Again, vide letter No. GACK/2021/Astol Group Scheme/116-125 dated 10/03/2021 the institution wrote a letter to Deputy Executive Engineer, Water Supply Board, Dharampur, requesting him to provide water connection under Astol Group Plan. Copies of this letter were forwarded to competent authorities, including Principal Secretary, Higher and Technical Education, Gandhinagar and Collector & District Magistrate, Valsad.

Again, vide letter No. GACK/2021/Astol Group/586-594 dated 23/12/2021 the institution wrote to Mamlatdar & Executive Magistrate, Kaparada to provide us water connection from Astol Group Plan, emphasizing the procurement of basic amenities like water to the less-privileged students. Copies of this letter were also forwarded to the higher authorities, including Principal Secretary, Higher and

Technical Education, Gandhinagar, Collector & District Magistrate, Valsad.

Consequently, Mamlatdar & Executive Magistrate, Kaparada vide his letter No. ADM/College/ Pani/Vashi /22 dated 17/02/2022 wrote to Taluka Development Officer, Kaparada to consider our request and forward the same to Project Administrator, Valsad.

And vide letter No. ADM /College/Water/Vashi/22, dated 17/02/2022 Mamlatdar & Executive Magistrate, Kaparada wrote to Project Administrator, Valsad drawing his kind attention to the water crisis of the college.

Again vide letter No. GACK/ 2020/Astol Group / 551 to 561 dated 09/09/2022 the institution wrote to the Project Administrator, Tribal Subplan, Valsad, requesting him to resolve this acute water crisis.

Institution vide letter No.GACK/2021/55 to 60 dated 02/02/2021 and vide letter No. GACK/2021/110-115 dated 10/03/2021 requested Taluka Development Officer, Kaparada to repair water pipeline to the college. Again vide letter No. GACK/ 2022 / 581 dated 16/09/2022, the institution wrote a letter to Mamlatdar & Executive Magistrate, Kaparada to take up this matter in The Taluka Swagat and also to include the question of other source of water, passing through Vanvasi Girls' Hostel.

Gujarat Water Supply and Gutter Management Board vide letter No. P.B. Kaparada/Swagat Karyakram /601/2022 dated 20/09/2022 wrote a letter to Mamlatdar & also forwarded a copy of the same to this institution, assuring to provide water connection from Astol Plan and also to repair water pipeline to the college from well, passing through Vanvasi Girls' Hostel within 10 days.

Elated over this prospective success, the institution vide letter No. GACK/2022/A.J.Y./Pani/588 to 590 dated 23/09/2022 wrote to Director, Higher Education, Gandhinagar, informing him with this latest development.

The principal also remained present in the Taluka Swagat Meeting. There in the Taluka Swagat Meeting he brought to notice of authorities the damage caused to the institution due to water crisis i.e. inability to keep washrooms clean, helplessness of the institution to water plants and flowers in the campus, in addition to the migration of students from Kaparada to Dharampur for higher studies. The institution eventually managed to obtain water from Astol Plan. About 3 diameter pipeline from the Astol water tank, at about 500 meters from the college to college underground water tank is installed. And another source of water was also revived. Currently, the college receives plenty of water.

Prior to Astol Plan, the Institution received water from a well, about 3 kms away from the campus, deep in a rivulet. The construction /repair of road caused a great damage to the pipeline at several places. Moreover, the submersible pump had also failed. Consequently, the only reliable source had remained unused quite for a long time. Ultimately with the help of Gujarat Water Supply and Gutter Management Board, Mamlatdar & Executive Magistrate, Kaparada, Gram Panchayat, Kaparada, Taluka Panchayat, Kaparada, our college staff including the outsourcing staff (who volunteered with the manual help), this water source was also revived. The entire expense incurred on repair of the submersible pump and the cost of pipe was borne by the Taluka Panchayat. Correspondences with the authorities in this regard are sufficient to substantiate the toil undertaken by the institution. Vide college letter No. GACK /2022/ Astol Group Plan/ Abhar Darshan Patra/710-726 dated 26/12/2022 the institution thanked all the competent authorities, including his staff who supported in the accomplishment of this herculean task.

The Principal during SVEEP Programme in the presence of staff, students and guests eulogized Mr. Chaudhary, the then Mamlatdar, Kaparada, saying that Bhagiratha ages ago brought Ganga from heaven to earth, while Mamlatdar in collaboration with other competent-concerned authorities succeeded to bring Damanganga in this 21st century to our premises. Moreover, the principal promised that the college would continue to quench intellectual thirst as the Mamlatdar had quenched our physical thirst.

Activities like this that the institution initiates are unique for they espouse institution to raise and fulfill the pressing needs with the help of competent authorities through collaborative responsibility. It also demonstrates how, we, as elderly and responsible citizens can be sensitive and sensible enough to address issues like this and join hands with one another so as to contribute in our official capacity to ensure happiness to our youths.




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