

### **7.3 “Kisan Manobal Yojana”.**

Our college situated in Karanja (Ghadge) Taluka is in rural area having population of around 20,000 mostly dependent on agriculture also the feeding of college is from all around 20 villages surrounding this place. Our college is the only institute catering the need of higher education which is main mission of our institution and in order to accomplish our mission we set several goals and objectives before us. One of our goals and priorities is to provide students, from this agrarian society, higher education and inculcate in them human values by sensitizing social issues of the society.

As we all aware that farmer’s suicide is very serious problem in the entire country specially in our Vidharbha region. This has become cause of worry for every one as responsible citizen of India and we cannot keep ourselves away from it . So it is our moral responsibility to take this issue as it is one of our priority to address the social issue in surrounding society.

Our college has started special drive named “People Awareness Program for Prevention of Farmers Suicide” (KisanManobalVrudhiAbhiyan). We have created a group of college faculties along with students of college and analyzed the causes of suicide. They have to bear high cost of input such as Fertilizers, Insecticide, Seed and Labour, Rain fed agriculture depending on injurious of monsoon, Lack of irrigation facility .Borrowing money from money lenders at exorbitant rate of interest, addiction, poverty and social superstitious tradition, lack of knowledge and absence of government schemes are main causes which have of advanced farming prompted farmers to take extreme steps to commit suicide.

Hence, we have decided to address these issues and undertaken special drive under in-charge-ship of Dr. Pakhale who also published his collection of poems “Kastakarayan” on the farmers plight. In this drive Dr. Pakhale along with other staff members and students visits the surrounding villages and organizes program and counselling them for morale boosting. They also distribute booklets containing various government schemes for the betterment of farmer’s life. In this process the Sarpanch and renowned people of village are got included and they also assist actively.

We are happy and satisfied with our constructive drive as spontaneous and overwhelming positive response and feedback has started receiving from farmers since the inception of the drive. The drive of the institute has got fruitful results because graph of suicide of farmers scaled down by boosting morale of them. The Institute is fully aware of its social responsibility along with catering higher educational purpose, and it has to great extent succeeded in its drive to check and control suicide of farmers with the optimal use of resources the Institute has.

The Institute is confident enough the drive in future also continuously brings about the complete control over the disastrous growth of suicide and it would initiate every possible step to fulfill its social responsibility.