Department Of Sociology
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Criterion 7:   **Innovations and Best Practices of the Department**

As part of its commitment to innovation and best practices, the Department has implemented the following measures to ensure optimal outcomes:

1. **Identification of Slow Learners:** Identifying slow learners in postgraduate classrooms can be challenging due to the higher level of academic rigor and diversity among students. However, several indicators help us to identify students who may require additional support:
   - **Inconsistency in Performance**
   - **Engagement and Participation**
   - **Monitoring of the Progress**
   - **Communication Patterns**
   - **Feedback and Response**

   By attentively observing student performance, engagement, and learning behaviors, we effectively identify slow learners and provide targeted interventions to support their academic success in postgraduate studies.

2. Creating community and belongingness for students through various programs and initiatives

3. Organizing regular seminars, conferences and workshops

4. We engage Prominent scholars in delivering insightful extension lectures

5. **Field Work of M. A. (Sociology) 3rd and 4th Semester students in different areas and communities**: This enriches students' learning with practical application, research skills, cultural immersion, critical thinking, professional development, personal growth, and societal contribution opportunities.

6. **Grand Viva of MA students of all semesters:** Viva voce fosters innovative learning by promoting active engagement, critical thinking, communication skills, and real-time feedback, encouraging students to explore ideas creatively and apply knowledge dynamically in academic discourse.

7. The Department held an Alumni Meet on 22-Oct-2022 in which around 150 alumni members participated