

Role of the Principal in College Development

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Abstract

Education is an effective weapon of social change as well as social development. At present we see many problems are increased in educational field. Day by day the complications are increasing. The role of principal should be versatile compare to earlier days, The complex is increased in the role of principal. In this paper an attempt is made to understand the significance of higher education in social development and to understand the versatile role of principal. After understanding the reasons the view is, there is need of not only Smart cities or villages but there is a need of Smart Principal also. By using many innovative strategies and tact, principal can become a vital element in social development though there are number of problems increased in the role of principal. By becoming a “Smart Principal” Principal become a milestone. This research paper is prepared with the help of primary and secondary data. Discussion with Principals, News papers, periodicals, internet, reference books, Hand book etc. are the sources of data. This paper may be fruitful for everyone in educational field.

KEYWORDS:-Principal, complex, Complicity, role, versatile, innovative, Smart Principal.

Introduction :-

Education is a powerful weapon of social change and social development specially higher education plays an important role in national development. Colleges and Universities are the pillars of higher education. Nelson Mandela has rightly said “Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.” Therefore role of certain officers in higher education like principal has to work for all round development of college and its stake holders. So it is become necessary to study, to understand the role of principal. In This paper an attempt is made to understand the role of principal and problems and their remedies. Conclusions are made with the help of data.

Objectives –

- ❖ To study the significance of higher education in social development.
- ❖ To study the complications increased in higher education.
- ❖ To study the role of principal
- ❖ To study the changing role of principal in college development.

Research Methodology:-

This is an explanatory study. This paper is prepared with the help of primary and secondary data. Discussion with principals, Reference books, various periodicals, hand books, news papers, internet these are the sources of data.

Principal’s Role in College Development –

In the field of Higher Education College is a large dynamic organization of living (human beings). College principals are key persons in the personal structure of higher education system. It caters to different cultures prevalent to the society. It’s administration is facing with challenges due to dynamic environment.

It is prime duty of every principal that “correcting anomalies is one of major step towards improving the overall functioning of all types of colleges. The principal of college has to take into consideration the following facts, while working as an academician as well as a administrator for the development of the college.

- 1) Principal should keep in mind the pedagogical factors that should motivate the teachers to use innovative modern techniques in teaching, principal should use the techniques and also inspire the techniques in which there is involvement of students in it.
- 2) He/she should keep the professional factors faculty equipped with latest knowledge in the subject, research and publications at books and articles etc.
- 3) Principal should keep demands of trustees - to maintain harmonious relation with the higher authorities to meet the demand of the trustees and also political factors – by raising funds from M.L.A.’s, M.P.s, industrialists, philanthropist etc.
- 4) Individual work ethics - that principal should be honest, sincere, punctual and self conscious.
- 5) Principal should give justice to the students and staff.
- 6) Principal should not impose, power and regulations but use it with logical method.
- 7) Social factors are also important that should maintain good relation with the social organizations like women organization, Lion’s Club, Rotary Clubs, Philosophical organizations like Rama Krishna Mission etc.

The elements of complex in the role of principal.

- Limited tenure of principal
- lack of proper or sufficient infrastructure.
- Lack of access to principal in the application of many policies.
- Lack of wider exposure to students and teachers.
- Regionalized environment and its constrained impact on role of principal.

Such number of causes are in the way of principals role as obstacles. But by using many proper strategies and many innovative tact. Principal can play his or her role well and develop college very well.

The principal plays a key role in establishing basic framework for over all improvement of the stake holders. Principal should always keep it mind, that he or she is running an institution which is the source of both human values and knowledge based society. A principal should be magnanimous in taking right decisions.

India has been doing reasonable progress in terms of education. All the stake holders have to get actively involved to set up and ensure inclusive higher education which in turn will inspirational and expedite the emergence of an inclusive society, where, everyone will have equitable access to information, to develop, every one’s skill, efficiency potential, perform and contribute to one’s best.

The principal will be able to provide an authentic leadership only when she or he got the complete control over the staff (teaching and non teaching) and the students.

A credible or reliable leadership exists only when the principal has a good nature with ideal character.

The principal should be competent, calm, highly balanced, dignified and more human in nature.

The principal has to ask questions herself or himself who she or he is? What values do uphold? How he or she distinct or special from others? What opportunities should create? What challenges should resolve? How do obtain the over all aims?

According to the ambitions principals should be a “Smart worker.” In the age of Globalization there is not only a need of “Smart cities”, “Smart villages” but there is a need of “Smart Principal also.” The principal has to acquire many new innovative strategies and tact to solve the problems of their way.

OBSERVATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS –

- 1) Influence at Globalization on Higher Education is remarkable
- 2) The field of higher education is changed in many ways.
- 3) Many obstacles are occurred as education become business.
- 4) The role of principal is vital in earlier days and in present also.
- 5) There is a need that principal, should work not only as principal but a “Smart principal.”
- 6) For excellence as a need of Globalize age, principal must be strong physically and mentally.
- 7) The office of principal is of high integrity. There fore the dignity and integrity of that office must be maintained, while working for the creation of knowledge based society.
- 8) At present there is a need of enhancement in and teaching skills of teachers. Here the role of principal is important.
- 9) Principal should adopt proper strategies for discipline among all college elements.
- 10) Principal is the supreme of the college. That’s why principal has various responsibilities principal should be visionary.
- 11) In India there is a need – ‘That the principal as the head of an Educational Institution should rise above all barriers of caste, language race, religion, territory etc.

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