## PTA meetings action taken report and outcome analysis

The issues raised in the PTA meetings in the last 5 years and the action taken has been summarized below:

## Issues discussed at PTA meetings

- Some students were depressed for not getting the course of their choice.
- Some students found it difficult to come on time as their homes were far away from college.
- Students found it difficult to get adjusted to hostel food.
- Out of station students felt home sick.
- Some students found it difficult to orient to the program.
- Some students struggled to finish their quota.
- Some students found their respective class to be too competitive and felt anxious.
- Students found it difficult to prepare for so many subjects are once.
- Some students had health issues due to which they found it hard to cope up with the course.
- International students found English language a barrier to their learning.

## Actions taken:

- Counselling was provided to the students who were depressed or home sick.
- Yoga classes were conducted within the college to help students.
- Mentor mentee meetings were conducted to orient students to the course and discuss and solve other problems.
- The students were made to solve previous years question papers to aid them in preparing for the various subjects.
- Remedial classes were conducted for slow learners and extended lab postings beyond college hours are provided to help finish the quota.
- Advanced learners were encouraged to take up research activities and present papers.
- International students were guided to English courses outside the college to help them familiarize with the language.

## Outcome analysis:

The outcome of the meetings in the following years has been:

- Students who in the first year BDS were depressed, as they wanted to take up MBBS, after being explained the scope of BDS, they began to take an active interest in the course.
- International students who had difficulty in understanding English were referred outside for gaining language proficiency.
- Students who suffered from home sickness and others were unable to perform due to certain health/ personal issues. Also students who suffered from anxiety and low self-esteem were counseled and were given extra help and attention. These issues were discussed with the parents and necessary help was provided.
- For students who had difficulty in completing the clinical quotas remedial classes were arranged to tackle this issue.

The outcome of this was that International students have managed to successfully complete their BDS course. Students with other personal difficulties were able to overcome them and fare well in their examinations. Also the remedial classes have helped the students in finishing their clinical quotas before they appeared for their examinations.