## 3.6.1: Extension activities in the neighbourhood community in terms of impact and sensitising students to social issues and holistic development during the last five years

NIEPA being a national level policy research and planning institute interprets the concept of neighbourhood community to include the policy planners, administrators, key institutional leaders, teachers, organisations governing education at federal and state level and other relevant actors including non-governmental organisations across India.

NIEPA students are sensitized to the development issues, social and economic inequalities, disparities, intersectionalities, analysis of intersectional differences to analyse provisions and to arrive at possible solutions and policy action points. This reflects in the topics chosen for study, analysis undertaken, the term papers submitted by them.

NIEPA disseminates the research outputs to the wider community through integrating briefs, reports and data with the training programmes at NIEPA to diverse groups of stakeholders such as researchers, teachers, administrators, policy implementation groups at all levels of the education sector.

All in-house as well as sponsored research result in some sort of publications /monographs. NIEPA takes appropriate measures to facilitate dissemination of research, including publications, uploading of the final research report at NIEPA website, development of training materials on the basis of research studies, wherever appropriate. As far as possible, outputs of a research study are diversified in the form of books/monographs, policy briefs, articles in journals and occasional papers.

Appropriate editorial and related services are also made available to faculty for finalizing research reports/publications. NIEPA also organizes national and international research seminars to share and disseminate research in specific thematic areas.E-dissemination strategies, including uploading of research reports and publications at NIEPA website are also developed by the institute.

(May not be needed NIEPA is also the nodal agency for many of the centrally sponsored schemes and has been instrumental in designing and implementing them at the national level. Some of which include *Shaala Siddhi* programme, School Leadership Programme, DISE / UDISE programmes and NRC under the PMMMNMTT. The institute also conducted an online Refresher Course under the ARPIT- SWAYAM platform in 2018.

NIEPA has also taken the onus of organising the Higher Education Leadership programmes for the Vice-chancellors and Administrators at the national level).