February, 2025

2025 E-NEWSLETTER



्र युवा कार्यक्रम एवं खेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS GOVERNMENT OF INDIA



NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS)

DIRECTORATE OF NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS)

Jai Bharat Jai Shivaji Padyatra Unites Maharashtra in Patriotism and Tribute

On 19th February 2025, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports organized the grand Jai Bharat Jai Shivaji Padyatra in Pune. This remarkable event honored the legacy of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, showcasing the values of unity, patriotism, and dedication upheld by NSS Volunteers. With the esteemed presence of dignitaries, including Dr Mansukh Mandaviya, Honourable Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports, Smt. Raksha Nikhil Khadse, Honourable Union Minister of State for Youth Affairs & Sports, Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Chief Minister of Maharashtra and Shri Murlidhar Mohol, Minister of State for Civil Aviation, the event reflected the collective spirit of service and nation-building.



In Pune alone, over 20,000 volunteers took part in the Padyatra, creating an inspiring and energetic atmosphere. In addition, NSS India extended its impact by organizing simultaneous Jai Bharat Jai Shivaji Padyatras across all districts of Maharashtra. These events saw enthusiastic participation by NSSVolunteers, who proudly demonstrated their commitment to the ideals of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and their role in shaping a united and empowered society.











BUDS Training for Trainers

The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports and Bal Umang Drishya Sanstha (BUDS), launched a comprehensive health and fitness assessment program. This initiative is aimed at evaluating the health and fitness status of the youth and enabling the early detection of potential health concerns, reinforcing NSS India's commitment to the well-being of young individuals.





In February 2025, Directorate of NSS, New Delhi facilitated the BUDS Training for Trainers (TOT) program in Delhi. Across four intensive training sessions, 140 dedicated Program Officers were meticulously trained to carry forward the objectives of this initiative. These officers are now well-equipped to implement the program at the grassroots level, promoting health awareness and proactive care among NSS Volunteers and youth nationwide.

Pariksha Pe Charcha

NSS units across India organized the live telecast of the Hon'ble Prime Minister's program, 'Pariksha Pe Charcha' (PPC). This impactful initiative, designed to address examination-related stress and promote a positive mindset among students, resonated deeply with the NSS Volunteers and students who participated.





The active engagement of NSS Volunteers in this event highlighted their dedication to fostering resilience and academic excellence among the youth, in alignment with the inspiring principles shared by the Hon'ble Prime Minister. NSS India remains committed to empowering students with the tools and mindset needed to overcome challenges and excel in their academic journeys.

@_nssindia



"Science for Viksit Bharat" Padyatra

The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports organized the 'Science for Viksit Bharat' Padyatra, which was virtually inaugurated on National Science Day in Tamil Nadu by Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Honourable Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports. This initiative paid tribute to the extraordinary contributions of Nobel Laureate Dr. C.V. Raman, whose groundbreaking work continues to inspire scientific innovation and progress across India.



The event witnessed the enthusiastic participation of over 4,000 dedicated volunteers, highlighting their steadfast commitment to fostering science, technology, and innovation as vital foundations for building a developed and prosperous nation. NSS India remains devoted to empowering young minds and advancing the spirit of scientific inquiry and excellence for a brighter future.



REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, AHMEDABAD

Blood Donation Camp Conducted By The Indus University

The National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Indus University conducted a Blood Donation Camp. This event garnered participation from students, faculty, and staff, who collectively contributed to a charitable endeavor. The outcome was the collection of 268 units of blood, which are designated for donation to local hospitals and blood banks. This initiative aligns with the NSS's established dedication to community service and public health. The Blood Donation Camp experienced robust participation. Volunteers collaborated to guarantee a seamless, secure, and efficient process. Medical professionals were on-site to supervise the blood donations, ensuring adherence to stringent safety protocols.







.

@_nssindia

Furthermore, the event served to underscore the significance of routine blood donation and its role in addressing the consistent need for blood supplies.



NSS Volunteers On Mahashivratri

The National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers of Smt. CP Choksi Arts & Shree PL Choksi Commerce College, Veraval (Gir Somnath) provided substantial community service during the Maha Shivratri festival celebrations at Shri Somnath Temple. The volunteers diligently participated and took the lead in managing crowds, conducting sanitation initiatives, and assisting elderly and disabled attendees. Additionally, they distributed refreshments and necessities to the congregation, ensuring the comfort of all. The NSS volunteers exhibited exemplary leadership and collaboration, and their contributions were highly commended by local officials and the community.













REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, BANGALORE

A Plastic Waste Collection Drive

The NSS Unit of Government PU College, Kerur, Bagalkot district organized a Plastic Collection Drive & successfully collected 300 Kgs of plastic waste. The collected plastic was handed over to the Gram Panchayat of Kerur for proper disposal and recycling. This initiative was aimed to promote cleanliness and environmental sustainability within the local community.



Road Safety Awareness Campaign

NSS India

@_nssindia

NSS Unit Devaraj Urs College, Doddaballapura organized a Road Safety Awareness program for educating students and the local community about traffic safety rules. The event focused on the importance of following traffic rules, avoiding accidents and promoting responsible driving. Students actively participated in discussions with the local residents, spreading awareness about road safety practices.



@_NSSIndia

.

REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, BHOPAL

A Seminar on One Nation, One Election

The National Service Scheme unit of Oriental College of Technology organized a seminar on the topic "One Nation, One Election." The program provided students/volunteers with important insights into politics, administration, and electoral reforms. The event was graced by the presence of Chief Guest Hon. Shivraj Singh Chouhan (Union Minister for Farmer Welfare and Rural Development), Chairman Mr. Praveen Thakral (Chairman, Oriental Group), Special Guest Mr. Vaibhav Pawar (Youth Wing President), and Mr. Bhagwandas Sabnani (State General Secretary, BJP Madhya Pradesh & MLA, Bhopal).



Workshop For Cleanliness Awareness Campaign

NSS India

@_nssindia

A workshop on the Cleanliness Campaign was organized under the aegis of Government E. Raghvendra Rao Postgraduate Science College. The workshop was attended by the Chief Guest, Mr. Amit Kumar, a senior official of the Bilaspur Municipal Corporation. National Service Scheme volunteers actively participated in the workshop.



@_NSSIndia

.

REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, BHUBANESWAR

NSS Advisory Meeting At VSSUT

An NSS advisory meeting and orientation programme were conducted with NSS volunteers from Veer Surendra Sai University of Technology (VSSUT), Birla, Sambalpur to discuss goals, strategies, and upcoming activities.



Odisha Darshan: A Unique Initiative

The Odisha Darshan and Youth Exchange Program of the National Service Scheme (NSS Cell) of the State Government's Higher Education Department is an innovative initiative. This is one of the various programs undertaken by the Department of Higher Education to build an empowered, strong and committed youth for social service through NSS. About 270 NSS volunteers and other participants visited various places of interest and universities and colleges of the state. The main objective of this program was for the volunteers to exchange ideas and gain knowledge about the NSS methodology by experiencing the geographical, cultural and socio-economic diversity of Odisha.











REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, CHANDIGARH

Student Police Experiential Learning Program In Various Districts

Student Police Experiential Learning Program was conducted in Ludhiana, Hoshiarpur and Rupnagar districts of Punjab through the My Bharat Portal, with the participation of NSS volunteers from various colleges in the region. This initiative aimed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the role of law enforcement in society and offer them hands-on experience in various aspects of policing.





The program featured a range of activities designed to expose students to the diverse facets of policing. Key highlights included: Interactive Sessions with Police Officers, Demonstrations on Crime Control Measures, Discussions on Legal Frameworks, and Community Policing Activities



Blood Donation Camp

The NSS Unit of Chitkara University, Rajpura, Patiala, Punjab organized a Blood Donation Camp on 18.02.2025 in collaboration with Rajindra Hospital, Patiala, Punjab, with the aim of contributing to the community's health needs and promoting the noble cause of blood donation. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Hon'ble Pro-Chancellor of Chitkara University Dr. Madhu Chitkara, who supported and encouraged the initiative.



NSS India



The blood donation camp witnessed an overwhelming response, with a total of 410 units of blood collected. This significant contribution will help save numerous lives and provide critical support to hospitals and patients in need of blood.



REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, CHENNAI

A Walkathon To Raise Cybercrime Awareness

280 NSS volunteers from Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research (BIHER), Chennai, participated in the Chennai 1930 Walkathon to raise awareness about cybercrime. Organized by the Tamil Nadu Police – Cyber Crime Wing, the event aimed to educate the public on cyber threats and safety measures. The walkathon, held from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM, covered the stretch from V.P. Singh Statue to the War Memorial along the Marina Beach. The volunteers, along with six NSS Program Officers, engaged with the public, promoting online safety and responsible digital practices, showcasing BIHER NSS's commitment to social responsibility and cybersecurity awareness.



@_nssindia



A Seminar On Importance Of Sleep For Well-being

The State NSS Cell of Puducherry, in collaboration with the NSS Unit of IGCAS, organized a program on "Importance of Sleep for Health" on February 21, 2025, at the college premises. The event began with Tamizh Thai Vazthu and the NSS song. Dr. Prakash P. Sandou welcomed the gathering, followed by a presidential address by Dr. J. Jasmine, Principal, IGCAS. Thiru D. Satish Kumar, State NSS Officer, delivered a special address. Dr. M. Senthil Velou, AIIMS Madurai, emphasized the importance of sleep for well-being. The program, coordinated by Dr. S. Saravanan, concluded with the National Anthem.



REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, DELHI

SDPG College Panipat Celebrates National Deworming Day

On National Deworming Day 11 February 2025, SD PG College, Panipat's NSS unit & health department distributed Albendazole tablets to 1,000 students & slum children. Principal Dr. Anupam Arora inaugurated the program, taking a tablet himself to motivate children, especially girl students, to prioritize their health











A Seminar On Importance Of Sleep For Well-being

NSS Unit of Swami Shraddhanand College, Delhi, in association with Sant Nirankari Charitable Foundation, organized a webinar under Project Amrit. The initiative aims to promote cleanliness & conservation of Yamuna River, inspiring collective action for a cleaner environment.





REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, GUWAHATI

Blood Donation Camp By NSS Volunteers

NSS unit of Govt. Aizawl North College, Mizoram organised a Blood Donation Camp at the college campus. A total number of 74 units of blood was donated by the NSS volunteers. The camp aimed to promote the spirit of service and raise awareness about the importance of blood donation in saving lives, thanking all NSS volunteers for their selfless contribution and commitment to this noble cause.











Creating A Kitchen Garden For Mid-Day Meal

The NSS unit of Anandanagar HS School, Tripura, has successfully developed a kitchen garden on the school premises. As part of this initiative, NSS volunteers harvested fresh vegetables, which will be utilized for the Mid-Day Meal program, ensuring nutritious food for students.



This initiative is a significant step towards sustainability and nutrition for all, fostering self-reliance and environmental awareness among students. The NSS unit remains committed to promoting healthy eating habits and sustainable practices within the school community.

REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, HYDERABAD

National Integration Camp

A National Integration Programme was Organized at the Sri YN College in Narsapur, Andhra Pradesh. Contingent Leaders and Volunteers from different states and Regional Directorates participated in various activities like Morning Yoga Sessions, Cultural Activities displaying the diverse talents captivated by the lively performances, National Integration rally showcasing the unity in diversity, Cleaning Programmes and also visited the nearby Ashram for valuable advices from the Gurus. The National Integration Camp was successfully organized with good memories





Road Safety Awareness Campaign For A Safe Driving Habit

A Road Safety Awareness Campaign was organized by various institutions of different Universities. NSS Volunteers participated in rallies to spread awareness and promote safe driving habits. The aim was to educate the public about the importance of road safety, encouraging responsible behavior on the roads, to reduce accidents. This programme received a good response & appreciation from the commuters.





REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, JAIPUR

Swachhata Campaign For A Greener future

On February 12, 2025, the National Service Scheme (NSS) units of Rajasthan University in Jaipur organized and carried out a cleanliness drive within the university campus. Approximately 60 NSS volunteers actively participated in the initiative. The volunteers diligently collected waste materials from various areas of the campus and ensured their proper disposal. This Swachhata activity reflects NSS's commitment to promoting cleanliness and environmental awareness among students.









Awareness Rally To Promote Gender Equality

On February 19, 2025, the National Service Scheme (NSS) units of Vivekananda Global University, Jagaputra, Jaipur, conducted an awareness rally in their adopted village. Approximately 150 NSS volunteers participated in the rally, proceeding through the streets of the adopted village, Siroli. The volunteers displayed placards addressing various topics, with a primary focus on raising awareness against gender discrimination.



REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, KOLKATA

Special lecture on Leadership By Shri Sourav Ganguly

NSS India

(G) @_nssindia (X)

Shri Sourav Ganguly, former President of BCCI, delivered a lecture on "Leadership" at the University of Burdwan on 20th February 2025. The lecture aimed to inspire youth with leadership principles, dedication, and commitment. Ganguly shared anecdotes from his cricketing career, emphasizing diligence and perseverance. He also highlighted the importance of balancing humility and success, confidence and uncertainty. The session was presided over by Vice Chancellor Prof. (Dr.) Sankar Kumar Nath.



@_NSSIndía

Traffic Awareness Program

On February 26, 2025, the National Service Scheme Unit of Bethune College, Kolkata, conducted a road safety awareness program and disseminated information regarding traffic control regulations at Hendua Crossing in North Kolkata. This initiative was undertaken in partnership with the Ultadanga Traffic Guard and concluded the unit's special camp. At 11:30 a.m., volunteers gathered and presented officers with tokens of appreciation, including chocolates and roses, acknowledging their dedication to public service. Following a detailed explanation of traffic regulations provided by Additional Officer-in-Charge Sujit Kumar Ghosh and Sergeant Mihir Bera of the Ultadanga Traffic Guard, volunteers were positioned at the crossing to observe and learn traffic control procedures. Subsequently, to enhance public awareness, volunteers displayed informative posters created by both themselves and the traffic officers.



REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, LUCKNOW

Volunteering at the Mahakumbh

NSS India

@_nssindia

The NSS Volunteers of Prayagraj (SHUATS, Prof. Rajendra Singh (Rajju Bhaiya) University & University of Allahabad, (Prayagraj) Uttar Pradesh are actively assisting pilgrims at Mahakumbh in Prayagraj, ensuring a smooth and safe experience for all. They are guiding people, managing crowds, and providing essential services, embodying the true spirit of service.



@_NSSIndia

Filaria Eradication Program

The National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of DSN College, Unnao, Uttar Pradesh, conducted the Filaria Eradication Program at the adopted village of Galgalha and Pandit Ramdulare Mishra College, Unnao. During the program, NSS Volunteers engaged in activities such as an Awareness Rally, a Seminar (Sangosthi), Street Plays (Nukad Natak), and the distribution of medication to educate the community about Filariasis.





REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, PATNA

A Plantation Drive

The NSS unit of Banwari Sahu College, Latehar, Jharkhand, organized an inspiring plantation drive aimed at promoting environmental consciousness. The event was graced by the presence of Hon'ble MP Shri Kalicharan Singh from Chatra, whose participation added significance to the initiative. The College Secretary, Principal, NSS volunteers, and other dedicated college staff joined hands in making the drive a grand success. Enthusiastic students actively took part in planting saplings, reinforcing their commitment to a greener future. This collective effort not only highlighted the importance of environmental conservation but also emphasized the need for community-driven sustainability endeavors.





An Awareness Programme On Lymphatic Filariasis

The NSS unit of Nalanda Mahila College, Bihar, conducted an impactful awareness programme in February 2025, focusing on the prevention and elimination of Lymphatic Filariasis. The initiative highlighted the importance of the Mass Drug Administration (MDA) campaign as a key measure to combat this debilitating disease. College staff, NSS volunteers, and students actively participated in spreading knowledge about the causes, symptoms, and prevention of Lymphatic Filariasis. Through informative sessions and community outreach efforts, the programme aimed to educate the public and promote collective action toward a healthier and disease-free society.



REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, PUNE

Jai Shivaji Jai Bharat Padyatra

Honorable Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Shri Devendra Fadnavis, Honorable Union Minister, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, and Honorable Union Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports, Smt. Rakshatai Nikhil Khadse, led by the Honorable Minister of State for Civil Aviation of India, Shri Murlidhar Mohol, over 20,000 volunteers participated in the Jai Shivaji Jai Bharat Padyatra in Pune on February 19th, 2025.







Cultural Performances During National Integration Camp At Shivaji University, Kolhapur

Cultural performances by NSS volunteers during National Integration Camp organised by the Regional Directorate of NSS, Pune, at Shivaji University, Kolhapur from 16-22 Feb 2025 showcasing the diverse traditions and cultures of various states of India.





REGIONAL DIRECTORATE OF NSS, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Swachh Survekshan

Swachh Survekshan 2024 is a National Initiative that evaluates the existing Sanitation Management Systems and Waste Processing efficiency in districts to determine rankings. As part of this, efforts are underway to enhance Kochi Corporation's ranking through City Beautification. On 10th February 2025, students of St. Teresa's College, Ernakulam, contributed their part by painting the walls and trees across the city with artworks related to Waste Management Themes

This initiative aimed to create awareness, promote cleanliness, and beautify urban spaces, reinforcing the vision of a cleaner and greener city.





Celebrating World Wetlands Day

The NSS Unit of Sree Narayana Mangalam College, Maliankara, Ernakulam, Kerala State observed World Wetlands Day with various awareness activities highlighting the importance of WETLAND CONSERVATION.

Volunteers, students and faculty of the college participated in Seminars, Plantation Drives, and Clean up activities.

The aim of this initiative was for reinforcing the need to protect wetlands for ecological balance and biodiversity preservation.















