

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2011-12

Name of the Association: NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

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Others:-

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Objectives of the association : For the current year:

- 1) Health and Hygiene 2) Education 3) Environment
- 4) Awareness 5) Disaster Management 6) Consumer Rights
- 7) Note Books and Electricity Saving

Our Moto is : “Not me, But you”

Activities planned to achieve the objectives:

- 1) Visit to Orphanages: We intend to visit orphanages so as to interact with the kids and teach them various subjects as well as games. It shall also be a highly enriching experience for the volunteers.
- 2) Visit to senior citizen home: we intend to visit senior citizen home to spend time with the elders. We shall entertain them, organize talent shows and help spread happiness.
- 3) NSS magazine: For the first time in the history of NSS we wish to release NM NSS Magazine. We want to spread the word about NSS and its activities so as to encourage others to join in the noble cause. It shall help youth become more responsible towards the society.
- 4) to spread awareness: We wish to spread awareness about various issues such as AIDS, consequences of alcoholism, education of girl child, health and hygiene etc.
- 5) to spread the message of peace
- 6) to encourage environment friendly behaviour among people through beach cleaning, tree plantation, newspaper collection for use by rural women (as was conducted last year), save electricity etc.
- 7) to donate various items to the poor and needy people.
- 8) organise Blood Donation Drive and also thalassaemia check-up. We also wish to conduct something new this year such as helping MDRI (Morrow donor registry of India) to spread awareness about the need of such registry in India as well as register people for the same.
- 9) to conduct District Level Seminar

- 10) to conduct successful Rakhi and flag selling events to help the institutes we associate with for the same as every year.
- 11) Encouraging enrolment into NSS
- 12) Successful residential camp wherein we would conduct various activities for the welfare of the people at the adopted village.

Report of all events conducted in 2011-12:

NSS has given us a platform to serve the society and bring happiness and smile on many faces. We created a hub to deliver services to the society by showcasing our talents. So it's not simply an association; it's a reason to achieve our objective and carry on the legacy for the coming years. We started our year with enrollment procedure in the month of June 2011 and **100** students joined as NSS volunteers for the Academic Year 2011-2012.

Our events started in July 2011 wherein 5 NSS Volunteers attended a 2 days workshop related to AIDS awareness conducted by the Red Ribbon Club (RRC). On 6th August i.e. Hiroshima Day, the NSS Volunteers participated in a Peace Rally from Azad Maidan to Hutatma Chowk. NSS Volunteers celebrated Rakshabandhan with orphans at YMCA and also kept an entertainment session for the kids to enjoy. An Orientation Program was conducted to welcome our new NSS members on 10th August 2011. NSS displayed the work of art of the lesser privileged through an exhibition and the sale of Rakhis during Raksha Bandhan. Rakhis prepared by blind women from NAB i.e. National Association of Blind and mentally challenged children from VDI i.e. Vallabhai Dangra Institute were sold during a period of 13 days in the college premises. 1654 rakhis(as well as key chains) were sold and the amount collected was Rs.20149 .Flags from HI-TECH Family Enrichment Foundation, individually handcrafted by mentally challenged children were sold in college premises, residential areas and railway trains. We managed to sell 1500 flags for Rs. 3750. On the 12th of August 2011(International Youth Day), the NSS Unit conducted an event "Condom Mera Dost" in association with the Red Ribbon Club to spread awareness regarding usage of contraceptive measures to prevent AIDS. Also, from 8th August 2011 to 13th August 2011 friendship week was celebrated in college by tying friendship bands relating to AIDS Awareness. . On the 15th of August 2011, NSS members came together to salute the national flag on Independence Day in college. 3 volunteers participated in the Independence day Celebrations at the University of Mumbai.

The NSS unit of N.M. organized a major BLOOD DONATION DRIVE on 23rd and 24th of August 2011 in the college premises in association with The Lions Club of Juhu and Think Foundation. The blood banks involved/ helped were Sion Hospital Blood Bank, J.J. Hospital Blood Bank and J.J. Mahanagar Blood Bank. We collected 336 bottles of blood, saving many lives! Thus creating a history in the record book of NM NSS. A free Thalassaemia check-up was conducted by Think Foundation where 417 students got their checkup done on 23rd and 24th August, 2011. Marrow Donor Registration (180 members registered) and Platelet Donor Registration (215 members registered) was also done in association with Marrow Donor Registry of India. One NSS Volunteer attended a Residential Leadership Camp Conducted by the University of Mumbai from 27th August to 31st August, 2011.

On 5th September 2011, Teachers' Day was celebrated in the college. NSS volunteers dedicated a song to teachers and also made a card for them. On 10th September the NSS Unit organized a seminar on stigma related to AIDS in association with RRC. The seminar was interesting and informative for all students of the college and helped spread awareness. For the smooth functioning during Ganesh Visarjan, on 11th September 2011, the NSS battalion of volunteers joined hands with Juhu Police. We formed a human chain to regulate the traffic near Juhu beach. The NSS Volunteers also participated in a Beach Cleaning Drive conducted by the Indian Coast Guard on 17th September, 2011 for cleaning of beach after Ganesh Visarjan as a part of International Coastal Cleaning Day. On 24th September, the NSS Unit visited an orphanage, Buthello at Malad. The students were taught craft and basic English at the orphanage. On 25th September, the NSS volunteers again visited YMCA and taught the orphans various board games. Also a General Knowledge Quiz was conducted for them.

On 8th October, the volunteers conducted a tree plantation drive in Vesave Vidya Mandir School and also helped spread awareness regarding tree plantation among students there. On 5th October, the students volunteered at a musical night kept for the senior citizen at Dinanath Mangeshkar Auditorium, Vile Parle (E) s. NSS volunteers assisted in managing the audience. The enthusiasm & zest for life shown by the senior citizens was a moment worth capturing. On 1st October, Elders day was celebrated at YWCA, an old age home. The NSS Volunteers played various interactive games with the elders to entertain them.

To add a feather in the NSS cap, a **District level Workshop** was conducted on Disaster Management, along with demonstration by the NSS Unit on 11th and 12th November 2011. All **42 colleges** from the district were invited to attend the workshop. Speakers from B.M.C. conducted the workshop. We received an outstanding response from various colleges for this event. On 16th November, 2011 a seminar was kept for students who were detected Thalassaemia Minor, to make them aware about the causes, prevention and consequences of Thalassaemia major which might affect their future generations.

A newspaper collection drive was conducted throughout the year in college. These newspapers were submitted to the Lions Club Office for rural women to prepare paper bags and generate employment in rural areas.

We conducted a residential camp in Usgaon Dongri, Virar (E) for 7 days from 8th December 2011 to 14th December 2011.

During this camp, we conducted the following activities for the empowerment of the villagers:

- **Campsite and Village Visit:-** We conducted a detailed survey of the village and interacted with the villagers so as to plan out activities for them.
- **Balwadi:-** Balwadi is the heart of the village. The Balwadi children are the youth of tomorrow. They are the torch bearers. We had informative sessions such as Origami, Value Education, Basic hygiene, Puppet show, etc and entertainment in the form of cartoon screening, dancing, singing, etc. We also had the "Each one teach one" session wherein each volunteer adopted a child for that period & did his/her bit to teach them something that would be of use to them.

- **Mid-day Meal:-** The volunteers had a great time cooking puri bhaaji and Kheer as a treat to the balwadi kids. It was a learning experience for the volunteers and brought great joy amongst the kids too.
- **Agriculture:-** Agriculture was done by students by using the method of Drip Irrigation. The students properly dug the area, cleared the waste, spread manure and sowed seeds of Methi and Palak.
- **Art Mela & Competitions for Village Women:-** An Art Mela was conducted for the village women so that their talent could be encouraged and appreciated. There were various competitions like the rangoli competition & diya painting competition. It was good to see so many villagers enthusiastically put their best foot forward.
- **Street Play for villagers:-**We conducted a social awareness skit in Marathi, highlighting the various ill effects of alcoholism which was applauded by the villagers. The response of the villagers was over whelming.
- **Sports day for Village children:-**A sport day was organized having different sports competitions like running race, balloon race, 3-legged race, frog race etc. for the village children. They really brought back our childhood memories with their enormous response and zeal.
- **Medical camp:-**We conducted a day long medical camp which included General Check-up, Gynaec Check Up and Pathology. Due to extensive propagation in the village we got an overwhelming response wherein 330 villagers attended the medical camp. We provided them with free of cost aid in the form of medicines and refreshments.
- **Donation Drive in Village:-**We conducted a donation drive in the college for clothes, stationery, vessels, cycles, etc. which we donated in the village. We also donated blankets, wheat, and rice in every house.
- **Events at Girls Hostel (Eklavya Parivartan School):-** Various events were conducted at girls hostel such as a session was kept on positive thinking . We also conducted a Gynaec session for the girls. Girls were shown a video of an IPS officer to encourage them to pursue different carriers. There was a card making competition kept for the volunteers to encourage their creative skills.
- **Donation of Solar Lamps:-** The NSS Unit distributed solar lamps worth Rs. 67200 in the village. The lamps were given to the needy people who did not have electricity on World Electricity Day. Students went from house to house and spread awareness amongst the villagers on usage of the lamps and distributed the same.

We conducted the following activities for the NSS volunteers:

- **Physical Training:-** Activities like trekking, exercising, jogging, etc were conducted early in the morning.
- **Seminar on Relationship Management:-** A seminar was conducted by on relationships.
- **Fishing:-**Volunteers also did fishing at the riverside area.
- Other than educational activities, the highlights of the camp were Desi Night, Campfire, Halloween Night and various creative games as a part of the Entertainment Sessions held every evening.

We all saw life through the eyes of the heart. This camp experience will be inscribed in all the villagers and volunteers' hearts forever.

It was a great achievement for us when our secretary Maulshri Upadhyay was awarded with Ajit Dattar Memorial Scholarship and NIEM (in association with Education Times) Event Manager of the Year Award and Joint Secretary Chirag Chitalia was awarded the Best Staff Choice Award in our Annual Day celebration for the Academic Year 2011-12.

Showing the way to achieve success, joy, happiness & fulfilment, the N.M.NSS unit 2011-2012 says a good bye to this academic year with an assurance that our junior volunteers would continue the journey with the same conviction and achieve new heights aiming the sky as limit....

“We are the force that is driven, to achieve the impossible”