



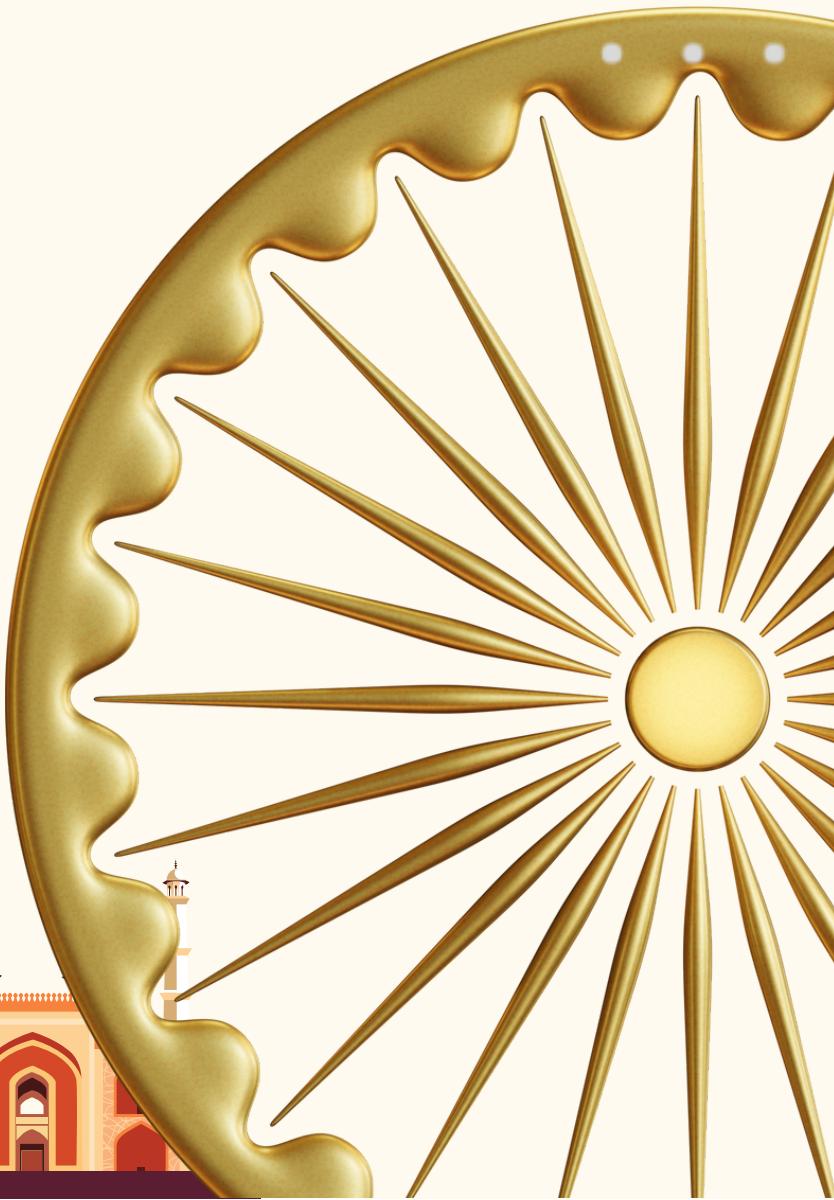
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**NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME
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NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

NSS serves as one of the supported extracurricular activities, overseen by the University of Mumbai and the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports in the Government of India. The TCET NSS UNIT commenced in October 2005 with 42 volunteers and has since grown to include 200 members. Over time, more than 1400 students have become NSS volunteers. The National Service Scheme (NSS) is dedicated to addressing social issues. Its motto, "NOT ME BUT YOU," encapsulates the essence of democratic living, emphasizing selfless service. This philosophy underscores the idea that an individual's well-being is fundamentally interlinked with society's welfare. NSS values Discipline, Punctuality, and Respect. The primary goals of NSS revolve around collaborative efforts for the betterment of society. Hence, NSS volunteers are committed to enhancing the community's welfare.



OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of National Service Scheme (NSS) are :

- Understand the community in which they work.
- Understand themselves in relation to their community.
- Identify the needs and problems of the community and involve them in problem-solving.
- Develop among themselves a sense of social and civic responsibility.
- Utilize their knowledge in finding practical solutions to individual and community problems.
- Develop competence required for group-living and sharing of responsibilities.
- Gain skills in mobilizing community participation.
- Acquire leadership qualities and a democratic attitude.
- Develop the capacity to meet emergencies and natural disasters.
- Practice national integration and social harmony.

NSS MOTTO

The NSS motto, "Not Me But You," embodies the core principles of democratic living and emphasizes the importance of selfless service. NSS plays a vital role in nurturing students' understanding of diverse perspectives and promoting compassion towards all living creatures. The NSS philosophy encapsulated in this motto stresses the idea that an individual's welfare is intricately linked to the overall well-being of society. Therefore, NSS volunteers are committed to working for the betterment of society as a whole.

NSS LOGO

The logo for the NSS has been based on the giant Rath Wheel of the world-famous Konark Sun Temple (The Black Pagoda) situated in Odisha, India. The Red & Blue colors contained in the logo motivate the NSS Volunteers to be active and energetic in the nation-building social activities. The wheel portrays the cycle of creation, preservation and release. It signifies the movement in life across time and space. The wheel thus stands for continuity as well as change and implies the continuous striving of NSS for social change.

NSS BADGE

The NSS logo is embossed on the badge of NSS. The eight bars in the wheel of NSS logo represent the 24 hours of a day. The red colour indicates that the volunteer is full of young blood that is lively, active, energetic and full of high spirit. The navy blue colour indicates the cosmos of which the NSS is tiny part, ready to contribute its share for the welfare of the mankind.

OUTCOMES

- Improve the quality of educated manpower by fostering social responsibility.
- Raising society to a higher material and moral level by preparing students for final dedication in the service of nation.
- Introduce urban students to rural life by living in contact with the community in whose midst their institution is located.
- Making campus relevant to the needs of the community.
- Develop constructive linkage between the campus and the community by supplementing technical education with social and economic reconstruction of the country.
- Involvement in the tasks of national development
- Better understanding and appreciation of the problems of the society.
- Encourage Community participation.



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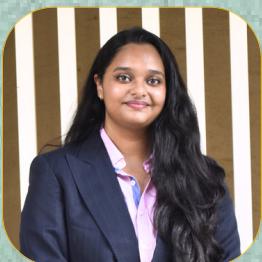


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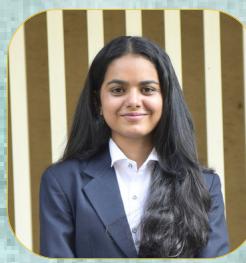
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



TCET always focuses on the holistic development of students. It has been constantly achieving this goal with help of various platforms. One of them is the National Service Scheme (NSS) of the institute that pursues the development specifically of undergraduate college students which was established in 2005. TCET NSS UNIT students are enrolled voluntarily in diverse activities of social services and countrywide improvement which makes contribution to Socio-economic progress.

Volunteers apprehend and respect the troubles of the community with social consciousness and inculcate the experience of dignity of labor. Being future engineers, the students get motivated to identify the prevailing problems in society and be dedicated to working for the betterment of society. The TCET NSS UNIT has always been one step ahead of everyone while organizing and planning the projects, which are conducted weekly and the punctuality and discipline they display during these projects is commendable. The volunteers also better themselves as people in the society and a sense of responsibility is evoked in them and thus, it is important that the volunteers get to speak up and have their own voice through the magazine so that they can make the other non-volunteers aware about the social topics as well and I would hereby like to appreciate and acknowledge the efforts the TCET NSS UNIT and the POs are taking to bring this magazine to life. I'm proud of our volunteers and want to congratulate all of them and the POs of TCET NSS UNIT!!

-Dr. B. K. Mishra



FROM THE PROGRAMME OFFICER'S DESK



It gives me great pleasure to present the first issue of the TCET NSS UNIT's Magazine. I have been involved with and worked as the Program Officer at this unit for many years, and I have seen many students join the unit in their second year of engineering with the goal of helping the community and making a bigger difference in the lives of others. During

these two years, the volunteer take part in a lot of projects and activities, and when the volunteer ship is over, he or she is an entirely evolved individual. Volunteers learn and adapt many life lessons from these experiences, such as participating in the most memorable recruitment projects, volunteering at the annual Blood Donation Camp, directing FE students for Society Outreach, and conducting a survey project to raise awareness of electricity conservation. Indeed, the TCET NSS UNIT Recruitment Projects are once-in-a-lifetime experiences. One never forgets the activities there, whether they were recruited as volunteers or not. After serving as the unit's leader for so many years, I have gained a lot from the experience, and I have also seen many students learn and grow project by project. When we hear about NSS, its core values—discipline, punctuality, and respect—are the first things that come to mind. One must always behave in a disciplined manner when working in the society for its uplift; the NSS volunteers' primary quality is arriving at the project site on time and promptly completing the required task; and last but not least, they must have a sense of compassion and respect for the society, mother earth, and the beings of society for whom we are working here in the unit. I congratulate each and every volunteer who has been a part of the TCET NSS UNIT for their selfless dedication to society, having seen so many students learn and grow here!

Jai Hind!

– Dr. Satish Singh

FROM THE PROGRAMME OFFICER'S DESK



The very first issue of TCET NSS UNIT's magazine is now available! This is a significant advancement for all NSS volunteers, as there are 150 volunteers in the unit and weekly projects that need to be completed. As the college's social body, the TCET NSS UNIT has a huge responsibility of leading 150 enthusiastic volunteers who are motivated and

dedicated to serving society. However, as the saying goes, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much," the unity and discipline at TCET NSS UNIT enable all of the work to be accomplished. All branches' second- and third-year students serve as volunteers here. The volunteers, too, boast with pride that they are all NSS Volunteers – Nothing Else – and are not differentiated or divided into branches. This is the unit that never gives up hope, and it teaches the entire college about its unity. The upliftment of the community is a priority for every volunteer at the unit. They are familiar with the community in which they work, they are aware of the issues that are present, and they are prepared to look for a solution and work for it whenever they are needed. During the lockdown, these volunteers participated in a variety of creative and inspiring projects from awareness webinars to gift-making and mask-making activities from the comfort of their own homes. and have even carried out these projects using novel methods. Now that the situation has improved, we can carry out offline projects that give the volunteers hope, exposure, and excitement. The volunteer grows and develops through each project they participate in. We trust our volunteers completely and will always be proud of them.

Jai Hind!

– Dr. Vinita Agrawal



FROM THE DEPUTY PROGRAMME OFFICER'S DESK



"NOT ME BUT YOU" is the motto of our beloved TCET NSS UNIT. The TCET NSS UNIT is now stronger than ever with a strength of 200 volunteers consisting of both second year and third year volunteers. This social body aims at the upliftment of the society in every way possible be it educationally, medically or in helping improve the environment.

These are the main domains that our TCET NSS UNIT focuses on - Education, Health, Societal Welfare and Environment. The unit prides on the unity and enthusiasm its volunteers show for each and every project. Students across all branches enlist into the unit and join together to form one big NSS family whose bond is thicker than blood. Every volunteer has each others back in every kind of situation be it good or bad. This unit is an inspiration of hope and unity for the entire college. The volunteers pride themselves in keeping the upliftment of the society a priority over every other activity that they do. They are a part of the community that they wish to and love to serve, they are aware of the issues that are present, and they are prepared to look for a solution and work for it whenever they are needed. The past two years have been a difficult time for all the people across the globe and some are still reeling from the after-effects of the lockdown. However, the bright side to this is that the volunteers are now able to serve the community with a new-found vigor and motivation to tackle the newer issues faced in the community and come up with more solutions to help. We trust our volunteers completely and will always be proud of them.

Jai Hind!

- Mr. Sajjan Kumar Lal

FROM THE DEPUTY PROGRAMME OFFICER'S DESK



NSS - National Service Scheme an initiative by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is cause that helps every young adult serve their country by serving the community that they live in. Youths are full of life, strength and energy that is ready to bring a change in the world. Giving such a platform to the students of Thakur College of Engineering

and Technology is our very own TCET NSS UNIT. The unit works on the core values of Respect, Discipline and Punctuality. "NOT ME BUT YOU" is its motto that drives it to push its volunteers to do more good for the society. The unit consists of 200 volunteers who are willing to serve the community with utmost dedication and responsibility. These volunteers belong to different branches but come together to serve the nation through their service in community. This is the unit that is persistent and perseveres in its motive to serve the society. The upliftment of the community is a top priority for every volunteer at the unit as they work for the people who they live with. They are familiar with the community in which they work, they are aware of the issues that are present, and they are prepared to look for a solution and work for it whenever they are needed. Even during lockdown our volunteers made sure to bring a smile to people's faces. Now since we have gone offline with all the activities, the volunteers are even more enthusiastic to serve our community. The volunteers on completion of their tenure are an evolved version of themselves. They are able to multitask and provide solutions to help tackle any issue they face. We trust our volunteers completely and will always be proud of them.

Jai Hind!

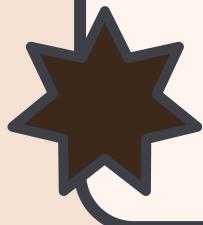
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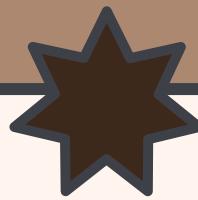


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TREE PLANTATION



On 14th September 2023, the TCET NSS UNIT conducted a tree plantation drive at the BMC ground besides Thakur College of Engineering and Technology . Trees are called the lungs of the world. Trees are essential for the health and well-being of the planet and all its inhabitants. Protecting and preserving

them is crucial for a sustainable and thriving future. The tree plantation drive was conducted to educate participants and the community about the vital role of trees in environmental sustainability and climate change and motivate them to plant more trees. The Volunteers assembled at the given venue with full enthusiasm. The volunteers were also informed about the significance of this drive and its necessity.The project had a duration of approximately two and a half hours. The project was initiated with the enthusiastic involvement of 26 dedicated volunteers. They were organized into six distinct groups with the initial task of crafting slogans centered around tree plantation. Subsequently, these volunteers received comprehensive instruction on the precise techniques necessary for successful tree planting, ensuring the development of healthy trees with robust root systems.



NTATION



A total of 100 saplings were planted by the volunteers. Participants gained valuable experience in working collaboratively within small groups which created bondings among themselves .They also got to learn about the significance of trees and its positive effects on the environment and society. Later the Program officers and Deputy program officers also arrived at the venue and participated in the drive. They shared their views on the topic and later thanked all the volunteers for their service towards the environment and encouraged them to participate in other similar activities conducted by the TCET NSS UNIT. Later a short feedback session was conducted by the volunteers wherein they put forth their feedback regarding the event. It was not a surprise to see that all the volunteer's feedback were positive and comprehensive. All in all, the Tree Plantation Drive, conducted by the TCET-NSS UNIT was a huge success, building a strong moral foundation for all the young volunteers and spreading awareness about the increasing problem of deforestation.

“Trees are the lungs of the Earth ; lets protect and nurture them for a greener future”



FITNESS



On 19th August, 2023 the TCET NSS Unit conducted a Fit India Movement fitness project at Thakur College of Engineering and Technology. The objectives included raising awareness of the

Fit India Movement, emphasising the link between physical fitness and mental well-being, and providing nutrition education. 89 TCET NSS volunteers engaged in a three-hour session featuring yoga exercises, meditation, and relaxation techniques. The activity fostered a deeper understanding of the importance of physical fitness and its positive impact on overall well-being. The project began with a simple introduction to the importance of health. And it started with gentle and easy warm-up exercises to prepare the bodies. Then, diving into yoga, the TCET NSS volunteers perform poses like Tadasana, Vrksasana, Paschimottanasana, and more. These yoga exercises focused on maintaining proper posture and smooth movements. Approximately 20 exercises were performed, and participants gained insights into the significance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.



ACTIVITY



These exercises helped them feel more relaxed and focused. However, it wasn't only focused on physical exercise. Mindfulness and meditation techniques were introduced with a deep relaxation exercise. This part

was particularly significant as it demonstrated how the mind can be calmed and stress reduced through meditation. In a world where physical fitness and mental well-being are interconnected, our dedication and local influence can bring about positive change. With their community knowledge and passion for service, TCET NSS volunteers are well-equipped to promote fitness through the Fit India Movement.



“A commitment to physical fitness is an investment in a healthier, happier future.”

GANPATI



Ganesh Chaturthi: A Celebration of Unity and Learning with TCET NSS Volunteers Ganesh Chaturthi is a beloved Indian festival that celebrates the birth of Lord Ganesha. One important part of this festival is

Ganpati Visarjan, where Ganesha idols are placed in water. It's a time when communities come together to say goodbye to the Lord. On this occasion TCET NSS Volunteers went a step further by actively taking part in Ganpati Visarjan on the 20th, 23rd, and 25th September, 2023. During these three days, the TCET NSS volunteers helped people lift and put Ganesha idols in the water. This not only made the event a success but also taught the volunteers important skills, especially in managing crowds. This project highlighted the need for commitment and responsibility when it



VISARJAN



comes to managing things well. The most important lesson from this project was that when people come together with shared values and goals, they can make positive changes. It showed how involving the community can have a big impact on society. It also reminded us to think about the unique needs of different areas and communities when we plan and manage things. In a world where community, culture, and taking care of the environment are very important, the TCET NSS Unit's Ganpati Visarjan was a great example of how regular people can make a big difference. It didn't just make the community stronger, but it also reminded everyone about the traditions we should protect and the importance of looking after our world. Ganesh Chaturthi is more than a festival; it's a celebration of coming together, learning, and helping others. The TCET NSS volunteers showed that when they work together, they can make an event successful and make sure things are managed well. Their commitment and determination is proof that when people come together, they can make the world cleaner, greener, and better for everyone.



SWACHHAT



On 30th September, 2023 TCET NSS volunteers conducted the project Swachhata Hi Seva Hai which means "cleanliness is service," was more than just a cleanup drive; it was a transformative experience that brought together a group of 53 enthusiastic TCET NSS volunteers to make a positive

impact on their community. This project aimed to create awareness about the vital importance of cleanliness and hygiene. The volunteers were divided into three teams, each assigned to clean different areas and their immediate surroundings at Thakur College of Engineering and Technology in Kandivali(E). Armed with brooms, mops, and garbage pickers, the volunteers actively participated in the cleanliness drive. Their efforts were not limited to tidying up; they displayed a deep understanding of the connection between cleanliness and public health.



A HI SEVA



Most importantly, it underscored the significance of community involvement in cleanliness efforts, leaving behind a sense of collective responsibility and participation. The Swachhata hi seva hai initiative was a proof to the power of TCET NSS volunteers coming together with a shared

goal of creating a cleaner and healthier environment. In conclusion, the TCET NSS UNIT volunteers have shown that when people unite for a common purpose, they can bring about significant change. Let's remember that cleanliness isn't just a duty; it's a celebration of a better life. Our commitment to a cleaner environment is the first step toward a healthier and more sustainable future. Together, we can create a cleaner, safer, and more beautiful world for all, leaving a lasting legacy for the generations to come.



"A clean environment is a gift we give to ourselves and the generations to come."

DE-ADDICTION



The De-Addiction Rally held at Azad Maidan in Churchgate on 30th September 2023, organised by multiple college NSS Units, left a lasting impact. Its central goal was both straight

forward and profound: to foster awareness regarding the harmful consequences of addiction, with a particular focus on tobacco, alcohol, and cigarettes. The event united students and dedicated volunteers who carried thought-provoking posters and chanted spirited slogans, effectively conveying the message of living free from the clutches of these detrimental substances.

Their loud voices echoed through the lively streets of Mumbai, catching the attention of people walking by and making them think about how important it is to live without harmful addictions. The De-Addiction Rally showed the importance of working together for a healthier, addiction-free future. It left a strong impact



ATION RALLY

on the hearts of everyone who joined, inspiring positive change in the larger community. The De-Addiction Rally was a strong call to break free from addiction and choose a healthier life. The rally showed how working together can help spread the word about the dangers of addiction. It inspired people to be agents of change, both in their own

lives and in their communities. One positive result of this event is that it raised awareness about the dangers of addiction. It motivated many to choose a healthier, addiction-free life, setting them on a path to a brighter future. The De-Addiction Rally reminds us that when people unite for a common purpose, they can change lives and make communities healthier and happier.



"Break free from addiction's chains, embrace the freedom of a healthier life."



GANDHI



Gandhi Jayanti, celebrated on 2nd October, 2023 is a special day to remember Mahatma Gandhi Ji, who is also known as the father of the nation. He had some important ideas that are still meaningful today. One of

his main ideas was "non-violence" or Ahinsa. This means solving problems without fighting. He used peaceful ways like protests and hunger strikes to make big changes. In a world with lots of fighting, this idea is still very important. Gandhi Ji also talked a lot about "truthfulness" or Satya. He thought being honest and doing what you believe in is important. He even had a special way of peaceful protest called "Satyagraha" that was all about seeking truth and justice. Another important idea was "kindness" or Karuna. Gandhi Ji believed in being nice and helping others. He said, "You must be the change you want to see in the world," which means if you want things to be better, you need to be kind and helpful.



JAYANTI

On October 2nd, 2023, there was a special project called Bhajan Sandhiya at the Gateway of India in Mumbai. This event was a mix of music, culture, and Gandhi Ji's teachings. The event also reminded people about the importance of Gandhi Ji's values. They told stories about his life, like the Salt March to Dandi, to show how these ideas can make the world a better place. At the end of the event, everyone made a promise. They promised to help others in their community, keep their surroundings clean, and support a mission to make India cleaner and healthier. This is a way of showing they believe in kindness and helping others, just like Gandhi Ji did.

So, the Bhajan Sandhiya event was a way to celebrate Gandhi Ji's teachings in a simple and meaningful way. It showed that his ideas about non-violence, truthfulness, and kindness are still important in today's world. Gandhi Ji's legacy



continues to inspire India and the world to be better and more caring. Gandhi Ji's teachings of non-violence, truthfulness, and kindness remain relevant and can guide us toward a more peaceful and compassionate world.



ORGAN DONATION

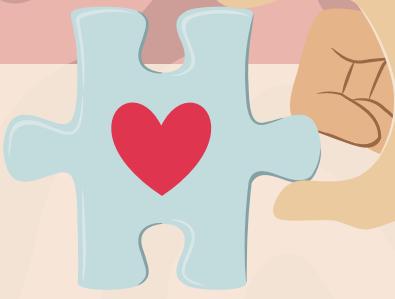


In our world, where a little kindness can make a huge difference, the TCET NSS Unit's Organ Donation Awareness project which was held on 3rd September, 2023 stood out as a source of hope. It happened at the Hindu Hrudhyasamrat Shri. Balasaheb Thackeray Dream

Park in Kandivali (E), and it was about educating people on the importance of organ donation. This project had a couple of key parts. In the beginning, volunteers learned about organ donation. But this wasn't just listening; they got creative. They made posters that were both informative and attractive. These posters had important information about organ donation, and they also looked great. Several groups were formed and each group performed a skit on the importance of Organ Donation. This taught the volunteers how to make complex ideas easy to understand. Then, in the next part, the volunteers took their posters to the park to show the community. They explained the importance of organ donation with their posters. They used their creativity and passion to make sure the message got across. In the last part, the volunteers made a powerful promise.



ON AWARENESS



They pledged to support organ donation. This was a big step toward making a healthier and kinder world. In the end, the TCET NSS Unit's Organ Donation Awareness event showed how being kind and creative can change the

world. It was a mix of art and empathy, a sign of hope, and a promise for a healthier, kinder future. Organ donation awareness is a noble cause that unites us all. By spreading knowledge, creating posters, and making pledges, we can take a positive initiative and make our community healthier. Together, we can be the change we wish to see in the world, one organ at a time.



**"Don't take your organs to heaven,
heaven knows we need them here"**



RAKHI SEL



In a fast-moving world where we sometimes forget our traditions, the Rakhi Selling Drive, organized by the TCET NSS UNIT volunteers in the month of August 2023, was a beautiful example of how

young people can celebrate their culture while helping others. This project was conducted from 23rd August to 25th August, 2023 was about more than just selling rakhis, it was about spreading awareness, and creating a brighter future for tribal women and underprivileged children. What made this project special was that the rakhis on sale were handcrafted by these marginalized communities, making it a celebration of sustainable traditions and the power of local efforts. The main goal of this project was to show people why handmade bamboo rakhis are better than the ones made in factories and to create awareness about their importance. It was all about combining care for society and the environment.

Every rakhi had a story and design, and each sale supported tribal women and underprivileged children. The Rakhi Sale Drive was a learning experience for the volunteers.



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Teamwork and working together were also important. It wasn't just about selling 506 bamboo rakhis; it was about the personal growth of the volunteers. They became more aware and responsible, ready to make a change. This project



showed that when people come together for a good cause, change is not just possible; it's certain. In the end, the Rakhi Sale Drive was a beautiful example of how young people can revive traditions and create something meaningful. This project was about celebrating culture, caring for the environment, and being



responsible. It was a perfect demonstration of the National Service Scheme (NSS) values. This project proves that small steps, taken together, can lead to big and meaningful changes. This project proves that small steps, taken together, can lead to big and meaningful changes.

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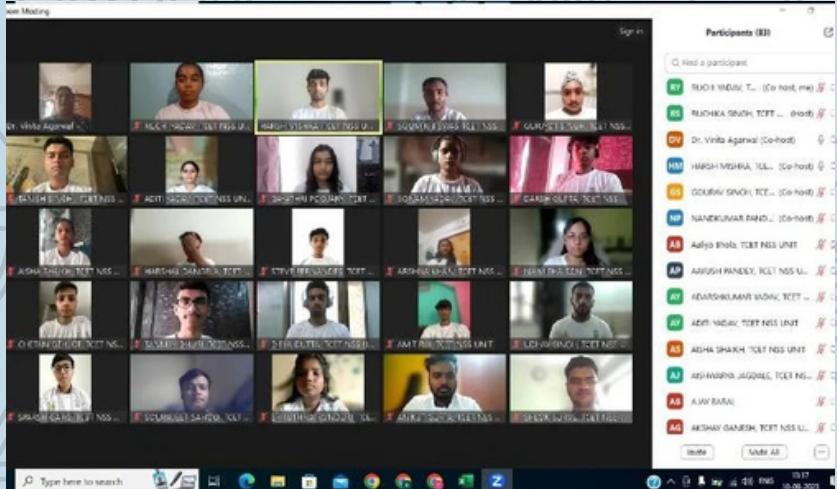
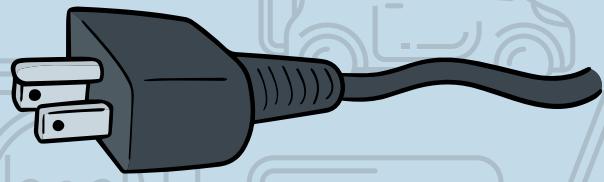


On 10th September, 2023 the TCET NSS Unit organized an online project for creating awareness regarding electricity conservation. 79 TCET NSS volunteers

participated and worked in groups, talked about saving electricity and came up with creative ideas. They also made posters and presentations showing their creativity. The TCET NSS volunteers made 16 posters in all, reflecting the importance of saving electricity. Each group also made a set of 15 questions to ask people about how they use electricity. The TCET NSS volunteers collected 3 electricity bills from their neighbours with the aim to examine and observe their electricity consumption and provided them with efficient ideas to use electricity judiciously. The best part was that everyone got to share their ideas, and they learnt that everyone has a responsibility to take care of mother earth. It's a big step towards a cleaner and more sustainable future.



ONSERVATION



The TCET NSS volunteers now have the knowledge and the passion to teach others about how to use electricity efficiently. Electricity is something we use every day. It powers

our lights, computers, and phones. The main reason for this project was to help people understand why it's crucial to save electricity. Electricity is what makes our lights, gadgets, and machines work, and we use a lot of it every day. But using too much electricity can harm the environment, which is not good. So, the project's goal was to teach the participants and their communities because it's so important to be careful with how we use electricity. The project was a big step toward a cleaner, more sustainable future. We as a youth can lead the way to a greener tomorrow. We can show that saving electricity is something we can all do to help the Earth. It's a small change that can make a big difference. So, let's keep those lights shining, but only when we really need them. Together, we can make the world a better place for everyone and make sure that our future generations do not suffer just because of our carelessness.

"Empowering Change: Electricity Conservation for a Sustainable Future"



ECO CAR



On 12th August, 2023 the TCET NSS UNIT carried out the Eco-Carry Drive. They gave out 1350 paper bags in the community. It might seem simple, but it sent a powerful message about how plastic can harm our environment. This project showed that even small actions in our community

can make the world a better, eco-friendlier place. The secret to their success was Teamwork. The volunteers were split into groups, and each group had posters and slogans they made themselves to encourage everyone to use paper bags. These posters made it easier to show why paper bags are better for our planet. What's even better is that the people in their

community loved it. They didn't just take the paper bags; they also understood why we should avoid plastic. Some people themselves agreed that plastic bags are harmful and we should avoid their use.



ECO CARRY DRIVE



But this project was about more than just giving out bags. It brought people together and helped volunteers become better at talking to others. Besides promoting paper bags, this project was a big part of the fight against plastic waste. It's also a reminder of how important it is to teach our

community about taking care of the environment. In a time when we all need to work together to protect our planet, the TCET NSS UNIT's Eco Carry Drive project is a fantastic example of how regular people can come together to make a positive change. It shows that when we work together, we can make the world cleaner and greener for everyone.



**"Paper or plastic - two choices, two destinies.
Which one will you embrace?"**



BOOKS TO



On 7th October, 2023, the TCET NSS unit organized the Books to Street Project. The TCET NSS volunteers were determined to contribute to the environment and help the ones in need. This project had two main purposes. First, it wanted to encourage everyone to recycle and reuse things to make the environment better.

Second, it aimed to provide free or low-cost notebooks to students who couldn't afford them, especially those who really needed them. The volunteers were asked to bring some tools like scissors, ribbons, old notebooks, blank pages and hole punchers. Many volunteers actively took part in the project and worked amazingly to make the paper books. In the beginning, volunteers learned about the importance of recycling and reusing. They found that being creative and resourceful helps the environment. Then, they used their new skills to make notebooks. This meant they took old rough books and pages to turn them into new notebooks.



BOOKS TO STREET



The result was around 500 notebooks, both big and small, made by these passionate volunteers. This project was not just about making new books; it was a lesson in resourcefulness. Volunteers learned that creativity could lead to solutions that are good for

the environment. They also realized they had the power to bring positive changes to their community. By recycling old notebooks and pages, they showed that every little step counts in making the environment cleaner and happier. "Books to Street" is an example of how young people coming together can create a big impact. They recycled old notebooks and pages turning them into new ones for students who really needed them. This way, they saved trees and helped others. The project got lots of support from the community, especially from young volunteers.



AMRIT



Amrit Kalash and to show how vital our Earth's soil is for our environment. It was a short project, but it had a big message: unity in diversity. Many students as well as faculty members came together to participate by bringing soil from their own regions, symbolizing how we are all connected. The project was not just about raising awareness; it had a bigger dream, setting a Guinness World Record with the "Selfie With My Soil" initiative, in which people had to click a selfie while putting soil in the Amrit Kalash and upload it in the link of the government portal.



KALASH



This initiative encouraged people to take selfies with their soil contributions, showing the strength of a united community in making a positive change. The project was well-organized, and that showed us how important it is to talk clearly and convincingly when working together as a community. People who took part in this project by adding soil to the pot learned not only about Amrit Kalash but also about its cultural and symbolic significance. In the end, Amrit Kalash taught us that when we work together as a community, we can keep our culture alive and protect our environment. It wasn't just about a tradition called Amrit Kalash; it reminded us how important our Earth's soil is. This project was a canvas for people to express their creativity and make special orders for events, and it underlined the value of tradition, art, and culture. Amrit Kalash was a lesson in how community-driven projects can make our society better.





TRAFFIC MA



The "Road Safety and Traffic Management" project, held on 14th October, 2023 at Mahindra Gate by TCET NSS UNIT, was more than just a gathering. It was a passionate effort to make our roads safer. The project's primary aim was to create awareness about the importance of following

traffic rules and the significance of wearing helmets and seat belts. The project not only demonstrated its commitment to road safety but also emphasized the critical role it plays in our society's well-being and health. The project started with 45 TCET NSS volunteers splitting into several groups. Each group's job was to come up with slogans and create posters to raise awareness about road safety. Later, the TCET NSS volunteers were tasked with showing these posters and shouting out the slogans at red traffic. This project highlighted how being flexible and able to make changes at that moment based on



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traffic conditions and people's reactions can be helpful for the success of such initiatives. Even the Traffic Police appreciated the approach of the TCET NSS volunteers to spread awareness and make people more conscious of road safety. "Road Safety and Traffic Management" project,

supported by the Mumbai Traffic Police, contributed significantly to enhancing road safety and Traffic Management awareness. With a total of 32 posters and slogans created for the project, it became evident that the community's engagement in road safety initiatives is a powerful tool for change. This project was a reminder that by working together, we can make our roads safer. The project emphasized the need for safety education and raising awareness about wearing helmets and seat belts. These simple measures can significantly reduce road accidents and save lives. Together, we can make a difference.



"Steering Towards Safer Roads: Road Safety and Traffic Management Project"



RAKTDAAN SE



On 12th October, 2023 the TCET NSS UNIT conducted Rakhtdaan Se Jeevandaan, Blood donation camp in the Multipurpose hall of the Thakur College of Engineering and Technology.

The blood donation camp was organized to create awareness about donating blood regularly. TCET NSS Volunteers spread the word of blood donation in the entire college for the active participation of all members. The TCET NSS Volunteers assembled at the given venue with full enthusiasm. The project had a duration of approximately seven hours and was divided into two slots wherein they changed their shift after one slot. They were educated about the protocols involved in the blood donation process .The project commenced with a ceremonial ribbon cutting officiated by the PO's and other esteemed faculty members. Clear instructions were provided to the TCET NSS volunteers, outlining the protocols and guidelines to be adhered to throughout the duration of the project.



JEEVANDAAN



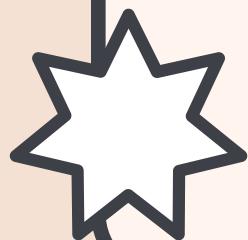
Subsequently, they were organized into three distinct groups, each tasked with specific responsibilities. One group managed the registration and certification process, another ensured discipline and orderliness, while the third group provided essential assistance to the attending medical The TCET NSS Unit conducted a Blood Donation campaign, where donors were directed to a waiting area before undergoing a thorough evaluation to determine eligibility. The campaign resulted in a total of 121 donors contributing 42,350 ml of blood, with 71 TCET NSS volunteers demonstrating commitment and cooperation. The project emphasized the importance of contributing to society's health and well-being.

“Donate blood today, tomorrow might be too late”



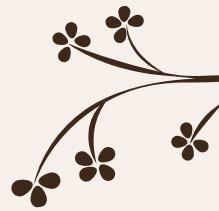
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NSS ORIENTATION



Ideation:

- To create awareness about social issues and the importance of serving the community.
- To orient students on the rules, regulations, and guidelines of NSS participation.

Result:

- Volunteers gained a better understanding of the objectives and principles of the National Service Scheme (NSS).
- Volunteers were provided with a clear understanding of the expectations, duties, and responsibilities required of them in order to make a meaningful contribution to the TCET NSS UNIT.

SE RECRUITMENT



Ideation:

- To deepen the engagement of volunteers with the community or cause, building stronger connections and a deeper sense of purpose.
- To support the growth of the program by increasing the number of experienced volunteers who can take on more responsibilities and expand the program's reach.

Result:

- TCET NSS UNIT volunteers shared their knowledge and experiences with newer volunteers, creating a culture of continuous learning.
- Volunteers for the year 2023-24 were recruited from the recruitment.

ECO-HARBOUR



Ideation:

- To prevent the improper disposal of electronic waste, which can lead to environmental contamination
- To recover valuable materials and components from electronic waste for recycling and reuse, reducing the need for virgin resources and minimising the environmental impact of electronic production.

Result:

- There was proper collection and recycling of e-waste to reduce the release of hazardous materials into the environment.
- TCET NSS UNIT volunteers learned about the environmental impact of e-waste and the importance of responsible disposal, which can lead to greater awareness and knowledge about sustainable practices

HAR GHAR TIRANGA



Ideation:

- Project aim was to foster a sense of patriotism and national pride by encouraging citizens to proudly display the national flag.
- The flag acts as a sign of togetherness and a common national identity, uniting TCET NSS UNIT volunteers from various backgrounds.

Result:

- TCET NSS UNIT volunteers clicked selfies with the Tiranga and felt proud.
- It also promoted a feeling of unity and togetherness among the TCET NSS UNIT volunteers for their country.



SOW THE SEED OF CHANGE : DEBATE



Ideation:

- The aim of conducting debates was to provide a platform to raise awareness about important social, political, or environmental issues.

Result:

- It helps the TCET NSS UNIT volunteers better at talking in public, convincing others, and responding when someone disagrees.

MATDAAN SE YOGDAAN



Ideation:

- Project aim was to Ensure that eligible citizens are registered to vote and could participate in the democratic process.
- To enhance the security and accuracy of elections by verifying the identity of voters and preventing fraud.

Result:

- A successful voter ID registration process results in a higher percentage of eligible voters participating in elections.
- TCET NSS UNIT volunteers were able to make the registrations and people got their voter ID successfully.

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



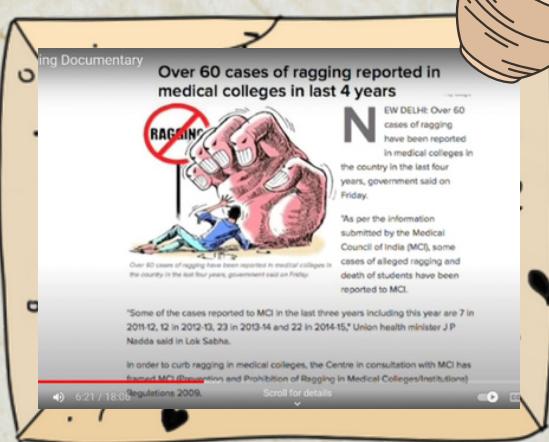
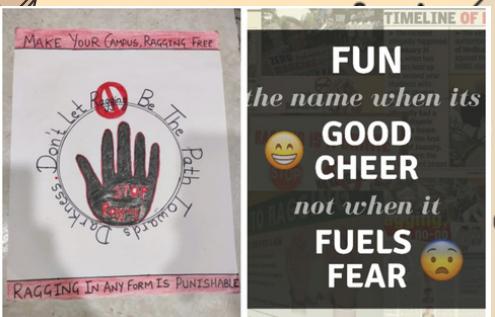
Ideation:

- To foster a sense of patriotism and love for the country among volunteers and the community.
- To educate the people about the historical significance of Independence Day, the freedom struggle, and the importance of democracy .

Result:

- TCET NSS UNIT volunteers develop a deeper sense of patriotism and love for their country.
- TCET NSS UNIT volunteers clicked selfies with titanga and felt proud.

ANTI-RAGGING WEEK



Ideation:

- To safeguard students, particularly newcomers, from any type of physical, mental, or emotional harassment by their senior peers.
- To guarantee the security and welfare of every student on the campus.

Result:

- Anti-ragging measures taken by the TCET NSS UNIT volunteers strive to discourage any kind of ragging or bullying within the educational institution, safeguarding people from harm.



VEERO KA VANDAN



Ideation:

- To foster happiness among individuals who provide services to others.
- To promote happiness and express appreciation to guardians who keep us safe.

Result:

- Volunteers contributed to the spread of happiness by distributing handmade gratitude cards to those who serve as guardians.
- Police officers, traffic police, and security guards experienced a sense of contentment and felt admired

ROAD SAFETY SEMINAR



Ideation:

- To avert road accidents and lessen their occurrence, ultimately saving lives and minimising injuries.
- To reduce fatalities resulting from accidents by protecting all road users, including pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers.

Result:

- The project made a significant contribution to improving road safety, making the project area safer for both residents and commuters. Helmets were distributed to the volunteers.
- TCET NSS UNIT volunteers became more cautious and responsible road users, which can lead to a decrease in traffic accidents and fatalities.

PAGES TO PROGRESS



Ideation:

- To collect books and educational materials to support access to education, especially for underprivileged students and schools
- To develop planning, organisational, and leadership skills among student volunteers.

Result:

- This resulted in the availability of books and educational materials for individuals and schools that may not have had access otherwise.
- The TCET NSS UNIT volunteers gain practical skills in event planning, organisation, and leadership.

SWACHHATA ABHIYAN



Ideation:

- To promote cleanliness and hygiene, aiming to make India a clean and open-defecation-free country.
- To promote awareness of the environmental impact of waste and pollution and the importance of preserving natural resources.. display the national flag.

Result:

- A group of 53 TCET NSS UNIT volunteers actively participated and lead to improved cleanliness in communities, villages, and public space.
- With a reduction in litter and improved waste management, there can be a positive impact on the local environment like reduced pollution and better preservation of natural resources.



PAPER BAG MAKING



Ideation:

- Aim was to promote the use of sustainable materials like paper over plastic for bag production to reduce environmental impact.
- To spread awareness regarding the recyclable paper among the TCET NSS UNIT volunteers as well as the people in the surroundings.

Result:

- A grand total of 1,350 paper bags were crafted with the combined efforts of 132 TCET NSS UNIT volunteers.
- A thriving paper bag production business has the potential to create earnings and offer employment possibilities.

PANCH PRAN PLEDGE



Ideation:

- To encourage responsible and sustainable practices for the protection and conservation of the environment.
- To promote ethical conduct and values that make a positive contribution to society as part of ethical and social responsibility.

Result:

- TCET NSS UNIT Volunteers gained knowledge regarding the environment and took pledge for it.
- They also learned about the significance of the environment and their surroundings.

NUKKAD NATAK ON SOCIAL ISSUES



Ideation:

- The project aimed to raise awareness about important social issues, such as gender equality, environmental conservation, or mental health, among the public.
- The project encouraged people to talk about the social issue, share their thoughts, and engage in constructive dialogues and address these issues. .

Result:

- After watching the Nukkad Natak, the audience was motivated to take action, whether it's adopting more eco-friendly practices, supporting gender equality initiatives, or seeking help for mental health issues.
- The project encouraged the audience to come together and work collectively on solutions for the social issue, fostering a sense of shared responsibility.

PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN



Ideation:

- To raise awareness regarding public knowledge and comprehension of a specific issue, cause, or subject.
- To implement or change policies that address the issue or cause. .

Result:

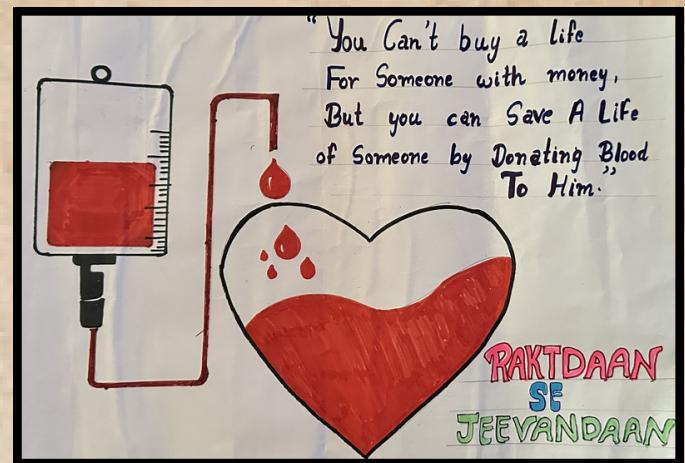
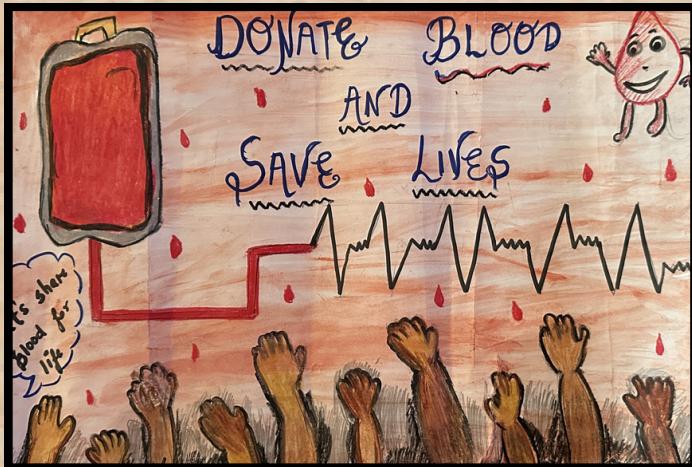
- A total of 61 TCET NSS UNIT volunteers participated in this project, through which they learned about various government schemes.
- TCET NSS UNIT Volunteers became informed about government schemes and began putting them into action.





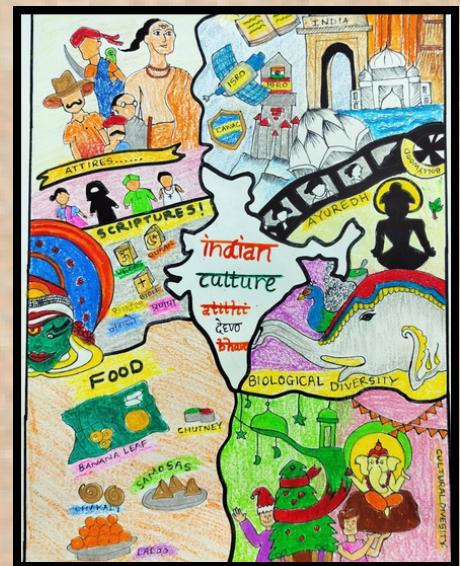
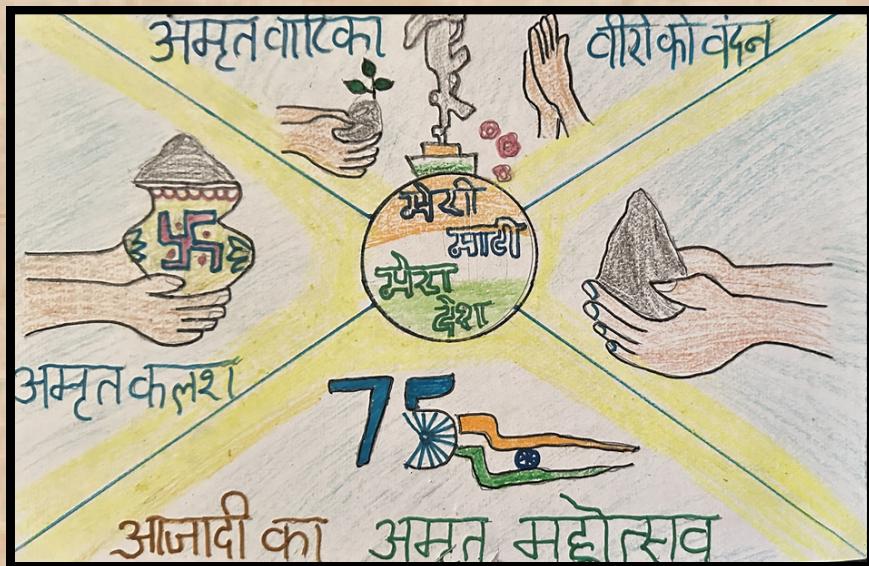
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RAKTDaan SE JEEVANDaan

“Blood is red, love is too – give both, it's what heroes do”



MERI MATI MERA DESH

**“Har ghar mai tiranga lehrayenge
Meri maati mera desh tyohar mnayenge”**



MATDAAN SE YOGDAAN

“The power is in your hand, register now, take a stand”



ROAD SAFETY AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

“No need to speed, safety's what you need”



भारतः एक विरासत की मधुर कहानी

हमारादेश भारत, अद्भुत और अनुपम,
समृद्धविरासत सेभरा, गिवहमारा कम।
वहमालयकी चोटियों सेलेकर कन्याकु मारी केति,
विभभन्नधमों का घर, हमारीमातृभूमम का नाम।

भारतकी संस्कृ वत, अनमोल औरविशाल,
विविधताका प्रतीक, जगमगाता ज्योवत का लाल।
भाषाओंकी माला, खूबसूरती सेबनी,
वहन्दी, गुजराती, तममल, बंगाली, हर एक अनोखीजड़ी बुनी।

गंगा और यमुना की धारा, पवित्रताकी प्रतीक,
टदकसंस्कृ वत का आदान, भारतीयता का नीक।
महाबलीपुरमकी शशल्पकला, ताजमहल की मवहमा,
भारतकी विरासत, दुवनया में अवितीय अभभमा।

- Raj Yadav, NSS Volunteer

क्रोध के कांटे

सोयासामनजाने क्यू जगा
कड़वीथीकुछ बातें, कुछ कांटो सा लगा'
सच से झूठ का, या झूठ से कोई मेरानाता है
उस पल वो इंसानकुछ परेशान, कुछ बदनाम सा लगा

(दुनिया की साज़िश रही
तो मन के बैर क्यूदिखे)
उन बेबुनियादलपटो में जाने कितने खोट है छिपे

ये मेरेमनमें कांटो का पेड़ किसने बोया है
अहंकारकाबीज ये किसने पिरोया है...
मानाबेचैन है दिल, पर खलिश उस जहाँ भी है
खोयाकुछ तूने, नम उनका मकान भी है

बागीचेमें मेरे ना किसी की आहट है
इन कांटोकीजाने कितनी लंबी करवट है
पत्तोंकीनरमी, ना फूल, ना पानी मिली
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लम्हाअबगुजर गया, रैना सवरने लगा
तपिशहाथों का संभाल पौधा गुलाब का लगा
आशा की मिट्टीहाथों में ले और सोच
उस पल वो इंसानकुछ बदनाम, कुछ परेशान सा क्यों लगा?

- Sourajeet Sahoo, NSS Volunteer



"NOT ME, BUT YOU": THE TRANSFORMATIVE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS)

"Not Me, But You" is more than just a motto; it is a profound principle that embodies the spirit of selfless service and community involvement. The National Service Scheme (NSS) embraces this mantra and has been instrumental in bringing about meaningful change in societies around the world. In this article, we will delve into the essence of "Not Me, But You" and explore the vital role of the NSS in its realization.

"Not Me, But You": A Message of Selflessness
The phrase "Not Me, But You" encapsulates the essence of selflessness and the willingness to prioritize the needs of others over personal interests. It embodies the idea that individuals can make a difference in their communities by dedicating their time, energy, and skills to support those in need. This message of selfless service serves as a driving force for the NSS and its volunteers.

The Role of the NSS in Fostering "Not Me, But You"

The NSS, a volunteer organization in many countries, is dedicated to promoting community service, personal development, and social responsibility among young adults. Here's how the NSS actively fosters the "Not Me, But You" spirit:

Community Engagement: NSS volunteers actively engage with their local communities. They participate in various community service activities, such as cleaning campaigns, tree planting drives, and organizing health camps. By directly involving themselves in community work, volunteers embody the "Not Me, But You" ethos.

Social Impact Projects: The NSS often organizes and supports social impact projects. Volunteers work on initiatives that directly benefit marginalized or underserved communities, such as providing educational support to underprivileged children, offering healthcare services in rural areas, or assisting in disaster relief efforts.

Educational Initiatives: Education is a powerful tool for social transformation. NSS volunteers frequently engage in educational initiatives, including literacy campaigns, vocational training programs, and mentorship activities. By sharing knowledge and skills, they help empower individuals to improve their lives.

Promoting Social Responsibility: The NSS emphasizes the importance of social responsibility. Volunteers are encouraged to be responsible citizens who actively contribute to the welfare of society. This involves fostering empathy, awareness of social issues, and a commitment to addressing community needs.

Youth Development: The NSS also focuses on the personal development of its volunteers. Through training, workshops, and exposure to various service activities, volunteers not only contribute to their communities but also grow as individuals. They develop leadership skills, teamwork, and a sense of purpose that extends beyond self-interest.

While the NSS has made significant contributions to fostering the "Not Me, But You" spirit, it faces certain challenges. These include expanding its reach to more communities, increasing volunteer participation, and ensuring that the impact of community service is sustainable.

However, there are also ample opportunities for the NSS to further its mission. By leveraging digital platforms and modern communication tools, the NSS can connect with more volunteers and communities. Additionally, collaborating with governmental and non-governmental organizations can enhance the reach and effectiveness of its service initiatives.

The "Not Me, But You" spirit is a powerful force that has the potential to transform societies and individuals alike. The National Service Scheme (NSS) embraces this ethos, actively promoting selfless service and community involvement among young adults. As we navigate the challenges and opportunities of our times, the NSS's role in fostering the "Not Me, But You" spirit remains indispensable. By nurturing a culture of service and social responsibility, the NSS empowers individuals to make a difference and collectively create a more compassionate, equitable, and prosperous society.

INDIAN LITERATURE: A HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

An extensive range of languages, civilizations, and traditions are represented in the rich and varied patchwork that is Indian literature. It has roots that go back thousands of years, making it one of the oldest and largest literary traditions in the entire globe. India's rich history, depth of religious and philosophical thought, and constantly changing societal dynamics are all reflected in its literature. India has a huge variety of languages.

Although India's Constitution recognizes only 22 official languages, many more are spoken there. Each of these dialects has a distinct literary legacy that frequently reflects the distinct cultural, social, and historical background of the area in which it is spoken. Indian literature has a rich and historic past that can be traced back to ancient writings like the Vedas, which are among the world's oldest sacred texts. The Mahabharata and the Ramayana are epic stories of bravery, moral conflict, and divine intervention that have inspired countless generations.

The foundation of classical Indian literature is Sanskrit literature. It contains mythical texts including the Mahabharata, Ramayana, and Puranas. Indian philosophy and religion have had a significant influence on literature. Buddhist texts and the Bhagavad Gita, which is a chapter of the Mahabharata, both examine sophisticated metaphysical and ethical ideas. Adi Shankaracharya's philosophical treatises and others like them continue to shape modern Indian discourse.

India's vast geographical extent and cultural diversity are reflected in its literature. For example, Tamil Sangam poetry is celebrated for depicting love and nature. Kannada literature boasts of Pampa and Ponna who wrote an epic. The literature of each region has a unique blend of language, culture, and history. There have been significant changes in the style and themes of modern Indian literature. Rabindranath Tagore, the first non-European to win the Nobel Prize for Literature, combined Indian and Western literary traditions. R. K. Narayan is known for his humorous and simple storytelling, while contemporary authors such as Arundhati Roy and Salman Rushdie deal with complex global issues in their works.

Indian literature has received international recognition, such as Rabindranath Tagore, who won the Nobel Prize in 1913, and Arundhati Roy, who won the Man Booker Prize in 1997. These awards helped bring Indian literature to a global audience.

The oral tradition of India is an important part of its literary heritage. Folktales, ballads, and storytelling traditions are often passed down from generation to generation. These stories cover various subjects, from folklore and mythology to moral lessons and historical stories. Indian literature deals with a wide range of subjects that reflect the country's diversity. It explores themes such as love, spirituality, social justice, caste, gender, and identity. Genres include classical poetry, epic stories, historical fiction, short stories, and contemporary novels. In conclusion, Indian literature is a fascinating and varied tapestry that weaves together thousands of years of storytelling, thought, and creativity. It reflects the complex fabric of Indian culture, history, and spirituality, while also reflecting the development of the country through the ages. From the ancient Vedas and epics to classical Sanskrit masterpieces, medieval Bhakti and Sufi poetry, the effects of colonialism, and vibrant contemporary narratives, Indian literature remains a dynamic and influential force. This literary tradition transcends linguistic boundaries and spans multiple languages and regions, each with a unique contribution to the larger story. It is a window into the complexities of Indian society and explores themes of spirituality, philosophy, love, identity, and the human condition. Indian literature has not only enriched the cultural heritage of India but has also left a lasting impression on the global literary landscape. With writers like Rabindranath Tagore and Arundhati Roy being internationally acclaimed, Indian literature continues to straddle the divide between different traditions, languages, and perspectives. As Indian literature evolves and adapts to the challenges of the modern world, it continues to testify to the enduring power of storytelling and creativity. Its legacy is a source of inspiration for future generations and a testament to the richness of human expression.

-Dev Mansotra, NSS Volunteer



LANGUAGES AND DIALECTS OF INDIA: CELEBRATING LINGUISTIC DIVERSITY WITH NSS

India, a land of remarkable diversity, is also a linguistic kaleidoscope. With hundreds of languages and dialects spoken across the country, India's linguistic richness is unparalleled. The National Service Scheme (NSS), a voluntary organization, has played a significant role in preserving, promoting, and celebrating this linguistic diversity.

In this article, we will explore the diverse languages and dialects of India and delve into the invaluable role of NSS in safeguarding and fostering this unique heritage.

India's linguistic diversity is a testament to the country's unique cultural tapestry. Here are some key aspects that highlight the linguistic richness of India:

1. Hundreds of Languages: India is home to more than 1,600 languages and dialects, making it one of the most linguistically diverse countries in the world.
2. Official Languages: While Hindi and English serve as the official languages at the national level, each state and union territory can have its official language(s). This recognition of linguistic diversity is a crucial part of India's federal structure.
3. Language Families: Indian languages belong to several language families, such as Indo-Aryan, Dravidian, Austroasiatic, and Tibeto-Burman. Each language family has its unique linguistic features.
4. Scripts: India uses multiple scripts, including Devanagari, Tamil, Telugu, Bengali, and more. Each script is associated with various languages.
5. Cultural Significance: Languages in India are deeply intertwined with culture. They play a central role in traditions, literature, art, and religious practices.
6. Endangered Languages: India also faces the challenge of preserving endangered languages. Several languages are at risk of disappearing due to various factors, such as lack of documentation and speakers.

Preserving and celebrating linguistic diversity in India comes with its set of challenges. The dominance of major languages, urbanization, and globalization can marginalize smaller languages. Additionally, the lack of resources and documentation for endangered languages remains a significant issue.

However, the opportunities for promoting linguistic diversity are immense. NSS can leverage technology and digital platforms to raise awareness and support documentation efforts. Collaborations with linguistic experts, universities, and cultural organizations can further enhance the impact of language preservation initiatives.

Linguistic diversity is an integral part of India's cultural identity and heritage. The National Service Scheme (NSS) stands as a guardian of this diversity, actively working to promote and preserve India's rich linguistic tapestry. Through its language documentation, awareness campaigns, revival initiatives, and cultural activities, NSS ensures that the multitude of languages and dialects in India continue to thrive and be celebrated. NSS's efforts contribute to the unity in diversity and the shared sense of pride among India's linguistically diverse communities.

-Aaliya Bhola, NSS Volunteer

NSS TAKING STEPS TO SUPPORT ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN

The battle against drug abuse is an ongoing struggle, not just in India but across the world. It's a menace that has far-reaching consequences, affecting individuals, families, and communities. Recognizing the urgency of the situation, the National Service Scheme (NSS) in India has stepped up to support the anti-drug campaign. With its massive reach and influence, the NSS is playing a pivotal role in raising awareness, preventing drug abuse, and offering support to those affected.

One of the key initiatives by the NSS in supporting the anti-drug campaign is awareness and education. Drug abuse often begins due to a lack of knowledge about the harmful effects of substances. NSS volunteers organize workshops, seminars, and awareness campaigns in schools, colleges, and communities. These events provide essential information about the risks associated with drug use, the signs of addiction, and where to seek help. By spreading knowledge, the NSS aims to empower individuals to make informed decisions.

Prevention is a core element of the NSS's anti-drug efforts. The NSS encourages young people to engage in healthy, constructive activities as an alternative to substance abuse. Through sports, cultural events, and community service, NSS volunteers offer an avenue for youth to channel their energy and creativity positively. By fostering a sense of purpose and belonging, the NSS helps reduce the vulnerability of individuals to drug abuse.

The NSS also partners with government agencies, non-governmental organizations, and rehabilitation centers to provide support to those already affected by drug abuse. Volunteers visit rehabilitation centers to offer companionship, organize motivational talks, and assist in the recovery process. By extending a helping hand to those in need, the NSS plays a significant role in the recovery and reintegration of individuals into society.

A particularly effective way the NSS supports the anti-drug campaign is through peer education. Young NSS volunteers act as peer educators, speaking to their peers about the dangers of drug abuse in a relatable and non-judgmental manner. They share personal stories, offer guidance, and create a support network within schools and colleges. This peer-to-peer approach is often more impactful, as it encourages open conversations and a sense of solidarity.

In addition to these efforts, the NSS collaborates with law enforcement agencies to combat the drug trade. By participating in awareness drives, raids, and reporting suspicious activities, NSS volunteers indirectly contribute to the enforcement of anti-drug laws. They are the eyes and ears of the community, helping to identify and prevent drug-related crimes.

The impact of the NSS's support for the anti-drug campaign is widespread. It reaches young people across the country, providing them with the knowledge, skills, and support to resist the allure of drugs. Moreover, the NSS is breaking the stigma associated with drug addiction and encouraging a more compassionate and empathetic society.

In conclusion, the National Service Scheme is making commendable efforts in supporting the anti-drug campaign in India. Its multifaceted approach, encompassing awareness, prevention, peer education, and support for rehabilitation, has the potential to make a substantial difference in the fight against drug abuse. By engaging the nation's youth in this cause, the NSS is fostering a generation of responsible, drug-free citizens and contributing to a healthier and more drug-resistant society. The battle against drug abuse is challenging, but with the NSS's continued commitment and dedication, there is hope for a brighter, drug free future in India.

-Nandita Thakur, NSS Volunteer



THE NSS SOLVING GRASSROOTS PROBLEMS IN INDIA

India, a land of diverse cultures, languages, and landscapes, faces a myriad of social, economic, and environmental challenges. While the government plays a pivotal role in addressing these issues, the National Service Scheme (NSS) has emerged as a powerful force in solving grassroots problems across the country. With its emphasis on community service and volunteerism, the NSS has become a vital instrument in driving positive change at the local level.

The NSS, established in 1969, operates under the aegis of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. Its primary objective is to develop the personality and character of the youth through voluntary community service. This distinctive approach has allowed the NSS to make substantial contributions in tackling various issues faced by rural and urban communities.

One of the most significant ways in which the NSS addresses grassroots problems is through its focus on education. In India, access to quality education remains a challenge, especially in rural areas. NSS volunteers engage in initiatives like adult literacy programs, teaching underprivileged children, and conducting awareness campaigns on the importance of education. This has a direct impact on increasing literacy rates and educational empowerment in remote regions.

Another critical issue that plagues India is health care. The NSS has played a crucial role in providing health care services to underserved communities. Medical camps, blood donation drives, and awareness programs about health and hygiene are organized by NSS volunteers. This not only improves the health outcomes of the local population but also raises awareness about preventive measures.

Environmental conservation is another area where the NSS has made significant inroads. India faces environmental challenges like deforestation, pollution, and water scarcity. NSS initiatives involve afforestation drives, waste management programs, and advocating for sustainable practices. By doing so, the NSS contributes to a greener and more sustainable India.

Empowering women and marginalized communities is a core component of the NSS's mission. The NSS works tirelessly to uplift these sections of society by providing vocational training, creating self-help groups, and conducting campaigns against gender discrimination and violence. By fostering economic independence and social awareness, the NSS helps empower individuals and communities, thereby contributing to the overall development of the nation.

Disaster management and relief efforts are also areas where the NSS has proven to be invaluable. India is prone to natural disasters, and when calamities strike, NSS volunteers are among the first responders. Their rapid response, rescue efforts, and distribution of relief materials save lives and provide essential support to those affected.

Furthermore, the NSS acts as a catalyst for social harmony and national integration. India's diversity often leads to cultural and religious divides. The NSS brings together volunteers from various backgrounds and instills values of unity and secularism. This, in turn, strengthens the social fabric of the nation.

In conclusion, the National Service Scheme is a vital component of grassroots problem-solving in India. Its impact on education, healthcare, the environment, women's empowerment, disaster relief, and social cohesion cannot be overstated. By engaging the nation's youth in volunteer service, the NSS is nurturing a generation of responsible, compassionate, and proactive citizens who are making a tangible difference in their communities. As India continues to confront its challenges, the NSS remains a beacon of hope and a symbol of positive change at the grassroots level.

-Ved Vora, NSS Volunteer

CONNECTING HEARTS AND HOMELANDS: THE MERI MAATI, MERA DESH CAMPAIGN

In a spirited tribute to the nation's valiant souls and its hallowed soil, the Ministry of Culture introduced the 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' campaign, an integral part of the grand Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav commemorating 75 years of India's Independence. With a resounding call to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the country, this initiative has captured the collective spirit of the nation and serves as a bridge to reconnect citizens with their heritage.

The campaign's multifaceted approach, spanning from grassroots levels to national ceremonies, has sparked a wave of enthusiasm across the country. Through the solemn dedication of Shilaphalakam memorials, the planting of indigenous saplings in the 'Amrit Vatika,' and the heartfelt felicitation of freedom fighters and their families, the 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' initiative has rekindled a sense of pride in the nation's collective history and sacrifices.

The impact of the campaign has been significantly amplified through the involvement of the National Service Scheme (NSS), whose dedicated volunteers have joined hands to make this initiative a resounding success. With their unwavering commitment and tireless efforts, NSS members have played a pivotal role in organizing events at the grassroots level, emphasizing the campaign's core message of paying homage to the nation's heroes and preserving its rich cultural heritage.

To date, more than 4419 blocks have actively participated in the program, with special trains arranged to transport dedicated volunteers, including those from the NSS. The campaign's resonance lies in its power to evoke a profound connection with the land and its heroes, creating a tapestry of national pride and inspiring future generations to safeguard India's treasured legacy.

With its rich tapestry of ceremonies and activities, the 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' campaign transcends mere remembrance, transforming into a vibrant celebration of India's 75 years of independence. A poignant tribute to the unwavering courage and sacrifices of our nation's guardians, this initiative has emerged as a beacon of cultural awareness, fostering a deep sense of appreciation and honor for India's diverse heritage.

In essence, the 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' campaign stands as a remarkable testament to the enduring spirit of the Indian nation. As it continues to inspire citizens, supported by the dedicated efforts of NSS volunteers, to pay homage to the nation's bravehearts, this initiative has truly become a catalyst for fostering national pride and safeguarding the invaluable legacy of India's cherished past.

-Prathna Shah , NSS Volunteer



MERI MAATI MERA DESH

**“Meri maati, mera desh,
Khoobsurat hai yeh harr jageh.
Jahan hai jazbaat ki leher,
Desh bhakti hai humari pehchan.”**

"Mera Maati Mera Desh, a theme that resonates deeply within us, reminds us of the unbreakable bond we share with our land. Our country is not just a piece of land; it holds our heritage, culture, and memories. It reflects who we are as individuals and as a community. Each state and region within our country has its own unique charm, whether it's the serene backwaters of Kerala or the majestic mountains of Himachal Pradesh. As we traverse through our nation, we encounter a rich tapestry of languages, traditions, and cuisines, showcasing the diversity that defines us. This article aims to explore the essence of 'Mera Maati Mera Desh' and celebrate the unparalleled beauty that lies within our land."

"When we talk about 'Mera Maati Mera Desh,' we can't ignore the vibrant tapestry of festivals that paint our country with colors and joy. From the grand celebrations of Diwali to the energetic beats of Garba during Navratri, every festival brings its own unique flavor to our lives. These celebrations not only unite us as a nation but also showcase our rich cultural heritage to the world. The intricate dance forms like Kathakali, Odissi, and Bharatanatyam tell stories that have been passed down for generations, connecting us to our roots. As we indulge in the mouthwatering delicacies like biryani, dosa, and rajma chawal, we experience the fusion of flavors that reflect the diversity of our nation."

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INDIA: A LAND OF UNITY AND DIVERSITY

India, a country steeped in history and culture, is a treasure trove of diversity. This diversity is not just limited to its various cultures, languages, and traditions but extends to its landscapes, wildlife, and cultural heritage. India's rich tapestry of diversity weaves together a remarkable story of unity, a story that is both captivating and endless, offering an adventurous journey for anyone who chooses to explore it.

Cultural Diversity: India is a melting pot of cultures, religions, and traditions. With over 1.3 billion people, the country is home to a multitude of ethnicities, each with its unique customs and practices. This cultural kaleidoscope presents itself in the vibrant festivals celebrated across the nation. From Diwali, Holi, Eid, Christmas to Pongal and Baisakhi, every festival carries its significance and traditions. These celebrations serve as a beautiful reminder of the unity that exists beneath the surface of diversity.

Geographical Diversity: Beyond its cultural diversity, India is blessed with a breathtaking range of landscapes. From the arid deserts of Rajasthan to the lush greenery of the Western Ghats and the snowy peaks of the Himalayas, India's geography is as diverse as it is stunning. The backwaters of Kerala, the pristine beaches of Goa, and the bustling metropolises like Mumbai and Delhi, all offer unique experiences to travelers. It's as if India is a microcosm of the world, with a variety of natural wonders waiting to be explored.

Culinary Diversity: Indian cuisine is renowned globally for its diversity and flavors. Each region of India has its culinary specialties, influenced by the local ingredients and traditions. From the fiery curries of the North to the subtle and aromatic dishes of the South, Indian food is a journey of the senses. The culinary diversity represents not only the vastness of India but also its ability to bring together an array of flavors in a harmonious blend.

Historical and Architectural Diversity: India's history is layered with empires, dynasties, and civilizations that have left their mark on the country's architecture and heritage. The intricate carvings of the temples in Khajuraho, the timeless beauty of the Taj Mahal, the imposing forts of Rajasthan, and the ancient caves of Ajanta and Ellora are just a few examples of India's architectural diversity and historical richness.

Unity in Diversity: What truly sets India apart is its ability to embrace and celebrate this diversity. Despite the differences in culture, language, and tradition, there is a deep-seated unity that binds the country together. The people of India have shown remarkable resilience and the ability to coexist harmoniously, respecting each other's beliefs and traditions. This unity in diversity is a testament to the strength and beauty of the Indian nation.

In conclusion, India's unity in diversity is not just a catchphrase; it's a way of life. It's a celebration of the incredible variety that this land offers, and the understanding that despite the differences, there is an unbreakable thread that ties the nation together. India is a land of endless adventure, an ever-unfolding story waiting to be discovered, where each turn reveals a new facet of this incredible country. It is a testament to the incredible beauty and strength of India that its unity thrives within its diversity.

-Dipanjali Prajapati, NSS Volunteer



ACHIEVEMENTS



In a historic moment for the TCET NSS unit, we successfully gathered a total of 42,350 ml of blood for the Rakhtdaan Se Jeevandaan Blood Donation campaign.



TCET NSS UNIT achieved a remarkable record with 621 selfies uploaded to the government portal as part of the "Selfie with Meri Maati" campaign.



Ms. Shubhangi Singh and Mr. Atharva Pardeshi, our dedicated volunteers, participated in the LTC camp.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Mr. Sparsh Garg (Scored 70% in test conducted by IIT Bombay on C/C++ Workshop)

Mr. Ankit Yadav (Winner of Paper Presentation conducted by TATA BUILDING INDIA)

Mr. Utsavraj Singh (Winner 1st price in the HackX 2023 blockchain domain)



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