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## **NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (N.S.S.) UNIT**

### **NEWSLETTER (2017 - 18)**

#### **NSS Advisory Committee**

- ❖ **Dr. Sanjit Kumar Das, Vice-Principal (Chairperson)**
- ❖ **Dr. Pranam Dhar, NSS-Coordinator, WBSU (Invited Member)**
- ❖ **Dr. Asitendu Roychowdhury, In-Charge, NSS Unit**
- ❖ **Dr. Saurav Shome, Program Officer, NSS Unit**
- ❖ **Dr. Debabrata Bhadra, Assistant Professor of Physics (Teacher Member)**
- ❖ **Dr. Tarasankar Maiti, Assistant Professor of Physiology (Teacher Member)**
- ❖ **Shri Gopal Saha, Chairman, Kamarhati Municipality**
- ❖ **Smt. Amrita Bhattacharyya, NSS Volunteer, Bhairab Ganguly College**
- ❖ **Shri Sourav Das, NSS Volunteer, Bhairab Ganguly College**

#### **Message From the Vice-Principal**

The National Service Scheme (NSS) is a Government of India sponsored public service program conducted by the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports of the Government of India. It is aimed at developing students' personality through community service. The motto of NSS is "not me but you". Keeping this in mind the volunteers of the NSS unit of Bhairab Ganguly College try to serve the poor and needy people through various social service activities throughout the year. I sincerely congratulate the volunteers of the NSS unit of our college for their various selfless services to the society during the 2017-18 academic session and hope that under the able guidance of the In-Charge and Program Officer of the unit they will excel themselves in the coming years.

#### **Report of the Program Officer, NSS Unit**

In the 2017-18 academic session, the volunteers of the NSS unit of Bhairab Ganguly College organized and took part in various social outreach programs, viz., blood donation camps, illiteracy eradication programs, tree plantation programs, Thalassemia awareness and screening test, campaign against use of cigarettes and tobacco products by awareness rally, eye testing camp, awareness programs on disaster management, gender sensitization, HIV, AIDS and mosquito-borne diseases etc. The NSS unit of our College also conveyed messages of national integration and social harmony by celebrating various days of national importance like the Independence Day, the Republic Day, Birth Anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose etc. The NSS unit together with the Community Welfare Project named 'SRIJAN' which was established and patronized by the former Principal of the College, been working relentlessly for the upliftment of the Prantik Nagar slum [the adopted slum of the NSS Unit; (Formerly Panjavila Basti), Ward No: 24, Kamarhati Municipality, North 24 Parganas]. Enlistment of volunteers against their applications was done at the beginning of the academic session on first come first served basis. Certificates signed by the Vice-Chancellor, W.B.S.U., NSS Coordinator, W.B.S.U. and the Vice-Principal of the college have been issued to the volunteers participating in regular as well as special camps organized by NSS unit. We are very proud that Smt. Amrita Bhattacharyya, an active volunteer of our NSS unit has been awarded the best NSS Volunteer by the Vice-Chancellor, W.B.S.U.; she has participated as an invited delegate in prestigious Indo-China Youth Exchange Program, 2017 and also has been nominated for Indira Gandhi National Service Scheme (NSS) Award and State NSS Award for best volunteer category.

**REPORT ON THE REGULAR ACTIVITIES OF THE NSS UNIT OF BHAIRAB GANGULY COLLEGE IN THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2017-18**

During the 2017-18 academic session the volunteers of the NSS unit have either organized the following events or taken an active part in them.

Date	Venue	Programs
15.08.17, 23.01.18, 26.01.18	College Campus	NSS In-Charge, Dr. Asitendu Roychowdhury and NSS Program Officer Dr. Saurav Shome hoisted National Flag on each day in the college premises. NSS volunteers, office bearers of Students' Union as well as other students, non-teaching staff of the college and local children were present on each day. All these days were celebrated by discussing glorious history of these historical days, reciting patriotic poems and singing the National Song, the National Anthem, and other nationalistic songs. The number of NSS volunteers participated in the Independence Day, Birthday of Netaji and Republic Day celebration were 28, 34 and 37 respectively.
10 <sup>th</sup> July – 7 <sup>th</sup> August, 2017	Barasat Zilla Parishad Bhawan	20 NSS volunteers took active roles in managing candidates called for interview at West Bengal Regional School Service Commission at Barasat Zilla Parishad Bhawan where they provide important support to the office-bearers and the candidates for the smooth conduction of the interview sessions.
24.08.17	College Campus & Alapan (the Auditorium of the College)	24 <sup>th</sup> September has been observed and celebrated as the NSS Day commemorating the day of establishment of National Service Scheme in 1969. One-day camp was organized in association with IQAC, where a tree plantation ceremony was organized by the NSS unit. College Flag was hoisted by Dr. Minakshi Ray, Principal & Patron-in-Chief, NSS unit, Bhairab Ganguly College. The NSS Flag was hoisted by Dr. Asitendu Roychowdhury, In-Charge, NSS unit, Bhairab Ganguly College. 35 saplings of 8 different spp. were planted in the college ground by the NSS volunteers and teaching and non-teaching staff to support sustainable development and to maintain ecological balance. 58 NSS volunteers participated in the One-day camp. A campus cleaning drive was carried out during which bleaching powder was sprayed. 50 saplings of Arjuna tree were donated to 5 neighboring schools to develop green environment in local areas and to create awareness about biodiversity and eco-friendly environment among young minds.
18.12.17	College Campus	NSS unit organized Awareness Program on Vector-borne Diseases, Thalassemia and AIDS. The program was sponsored by Government of West Bengal. An awareness rally with posters and slogans was also organized to spread awareness among local people about vector-borne diseases like dengue and malaria. Dr. Saurav Shome, In-charge of the department of Zoology and NSS Program Officer gave awareness lectures regarding mosquito-borne diseases, Thalassemia and AIDS. Campus cleaning program and spraying of bleaching powder were also undertaken. 53 NSS volunteers participated in the program.
22.12.17	College Campus	NSS unit organized a Blood Donation and health check-up camp in association with Students' Union. Eye-testing, blood pressure and sugar checking of the students done free of cost. 108 pouches of blood were collected from the camp by Department of Immunohaematology & Blood Transfusion, Medical College & Hospital, Kolkata, Govt. of West Bengal. Among 30 participants from the NSS unit, 12 volunteers also donated their blood in the camp.
14.03.18 & 15.03.18	WBSU Campus	12 NSS volunteers participated and took training at a "Road Safety Workshop" organized by World Road Safety Foundation in association with WBSU. The program was co-sponsored under MASH Project.
07.04.18	College Campus	NSS unit organized AIDS Prevention & Awareness Program in collaboration with West Bengal State AIDS Prevention and Control Society [WBSAP&CS], Government of West Bengal and Red Ribbon Club. An awareness rally with posters and slogans was also organized to spread awareness among local people about HIV & AIDS. A resource person from WBSAP&CS also came and gave lecture. Educational films regarding HIV and AIDS were also shown to the 47 NSS volunteers who participated in the program.

## Report on “7-Day NSS Special Camp” for the Academic Session 2017-18

**Duration: 6<sup>th</sup> March to 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2018; Organized by the NSS Unit, Bhairab Ganguly College, Belgharia, Kolkata - 56**

**Adopted Slum: Prantiknagar (Formerly Panjavila Basti), Ward No- 24, Kamarhati Municipality, North 24 Parganas**

**Number of NSS Volunteers participated: 56**

Date	Venue	Programs
1 <sup>st</sup> Day 06.03.18 (Tuesday)	College Campus & Alapan (the Auditorium of the College)	Reporting of volunteers at NSS Office & distribution of NSS dress & caps
		Campus cleaning and spraying of bleaching powder
		College Flag was hoisted by Dr. Sanjit Kumar Das, Vice-Principal & Patron-in-Chief, NSS unit, Bhairab Ganguly College. The NSS Flag was hoisted by CA Srikumar Banerjee, Member, Governing Body, Bhairab Ganguly College.
		Special Lecture on “Foods: Myths and Facts” by Smt. Neepa Banerjee, CWTT, Department of Food & Nutrition, Bhairab Ganguly College
2 <sup>nd</sup> Day 07.03.18 (Wednesday)	Alapan	Lecture on “Loss of Biodiversity and its Impact on Human Life” by Dr. Anulipi Aich, Assistant Professor of Zoology, Bhairab Ganguly College.  Special Lecture on “Bigyan Monoskoto O Amader Desh” by Professor Syamal Chakrabarti, Department of Chemistry, University of Calcutta.
3 <sup>rd</sup> Day 08.03.18 (Thursday)	Alapan	Lecture-demonstration on “First Aid” by Dr. Babul Kumar Dutta, St. John Ambulance Brigade – II (W.B.), Kolkata – 700001. Training on “Self-defence for Girls & Boys” by Sensei Jiten Kumar Singh, Instructor, West Bengal-Goju-Ryu Karate.
4 <sup>th</sup> Day 09.03.18 (Friday)	Practice Ground of K.T.A.	Practice of Wall climbing, Rappelling & Crossing in the Sports Complex of Kamarhati Trekkers’ Association by the Trainers of the organization.
5 <sup>th</sup> Day 10.03.18 (Saturday)	Nimpith Ramkrishna Mission Ashram	Visit to “Nimpith Ramkrishna Mission Ashram & Kaikhali, South 24 Parganas to observe various social welfare activities and to study nature and biodiversity.
6 <sup>th</sup> Day 11.03.18 (Sunday)	Prantiknagar (the adopted slum)	Cleaning of the slum & spraying of bleaching powder.  Training on recitation, song, dance, drawing & sports was given to the children of the adopted slum by the NSS volunteers. Drawing competition was arranged for the children.  Health check-up camp was organized for the residents of the slum and was attended by Dr. Pulak Chakraborty, B.Sc. D.M.S./D.H.M.S. (Cal.) F.W.T. Medicine was provided to patients at free of cost.
7 <sup>th</sup> Day 12.03.18 (Monday)	Alapan	Lecture on “Read the Man” by Dr. Diptendu Chatterjee, Assistant Professor in Anthropology, University of Calcutta. Prize distribution to the children of Prantik Nagar and distribution of certificates among the NSS volunteers by Sri Tapas Roy, President, Governing Body, Bhairab Ganguly College, Dr. Sukla Hazra, Principal, East Calcutta Girls’ College and Dr. Sanjit Kumar Das, Vice-Principal & Patron-in-Chief, NSS unit, Bhairab Ganguly College. Cultural program by the NSS volunteers. Vote of thanks & declaration of closure of the camp. Flag down & reporting of volunteers in the NSS Office.





A glimpse of the various activities of the NSS Unit in the 2017-18 academic session