

NSS UNIT

SHRI VIJAYSINHA YADAV COLLEGE, PETHVADGAON

Report on NSS Special Residential Camp at Tasgaon Village: Cleaning School rooms and Vitthal mandir area

Date of Event: 23rd January 2024

Venue: Tasgaon Village

Organized by: National Service Scheme (NSS), Shri Vijaysinha Yadav College, Pethvadgaon

In Collaboration with: NSS Unit, Shivaji University, Kolhapur

Introduction:

As part of the **Special Residential Camp**, organized by the **National Service Scheme (NSS)** of **Shri Vijaysinha Yadav College, Pethvadgaon**, under the guidance of the NSS unit of **Shivaji University, Kolhapur**, a week-long camp was held at **Tasgaon Village** from **23rd January 2024**. The first day of the camp began with a series of cleanliness activities aimed at preparing the school premises and surrounding areas for the volunteers' stay.

The **NSS Residential Camp** is a significant event that allows students to engage in various community service activities, learn the importance of rural development, and immerse themselves in social service. The primary focus of the first day was cleanliness, where the NSS volunteers worked together to clean the **school rooms** where they would stay for the next seven days and the surrounding area of the **Vittal Mandir**.

Objectives of the Camp:

- To foster a spirit of community service and social responsibility among the students.
- To clean and prepare the **school rooms** and surrounding areas of **Vittal Mandir** for the volunteers' stay.
- To promote awareness of cleanliness, environmental responsibility, and team coordination.

- To provide students with an opportunity to engage with rural communities and understand their challenges.

Organizers and Participants:

The event was organized by the following coordinators:

- **Dr. A. V. Jadhav** (NSS Programme Coordinator)
- **Mr. D. B. Patil** (NSS Programme Coordinator)

The event also saw active participation from faculty members who supported and guided the students throughout the activity:

- **Dr. S. S. Patil**
- **Dr. R. A. Pawar**
- **Dr. V. N. Sahadev**

A total of **105 NSS students** from **Shri Vijaysinha Yadav College, Pethvadgaon** participated in this camp. The students, who were from both the first and second years, worked in collaboration with faculty members and NSS coordinators to carry out the various activities.

Activities Conducted on the First Day:

1. **Cleaning of School Rooms:** The first task for the volunteers was to clean the **school rooms** where they would stay during the camp. The students swept and mopped the floors, dusted the furniture, and ensured the space was clean and hygienic for their stay. This activity not only contributed to the cleanliness of the space but also taught the students the importance of maintaining a clean and organized living environment.
2. **Cleaning of Vittal Mandir Area:** In addition to cleaning the school premises, the volunteers also took up the task of cleaning the area around the **Vittal Mandir**, a local temple. The area was cleaned of plastic waste, dry leaves, and other debris, creating a cleaner and more respectful environment for the temple visitors. This activity emphasized the significance of maintaining cleanliness in sacred places and the impact it has on the community's sense of well-being.

3. **Teamwork and Coordination:** The volunteers were divided into small teams, each responsible for cleaning a designated area. This organization ensured the efficient completion of tasks and fostered teamwork among the students. Each team worked together, managing time effectively and coordinating tasks to ensure the cleanliness efforts were carried out seamlessly.
4. **Briefing and Orientation:** Before the cleanliness activities began, the **programme coordinators, Dr. A. V. Jadhav and Mr. D. B. Patil**, gave an orientation to the students, briefing them on the significance of the camp and the role of community service in nation-building. They also emphasized the importance of cleanliness and environmental conservation. The faculty members, including **Dr. S. S. Patil, Dr. R. A. Pawar, and Dr. V. N. Sahadev**, provided guidance on effective cleaning techniques and the importance of maintaining cleanliness throughout the camp.

Outcomes and Impact:

- **Clean and Organized Living Spaces:** The school rooms, where the students stayed for the week, were cleaned and prepared, providing a safe and hygienic environment for the volunteers. This not only ensured the comfort of the students but also taught them the importance of creating a positive space for themselves and others.
- **Improved Cleanliness Around Vittal Mandir:** The cleaning of the Vittal Mandir area contributed to a more pleasant environment for the temple visitors. The local community, which frequently visits the temple, appreciated the efforts of the students in maintaining the sacred space clean.
- **Increased Team Spirit and Collaboration:** Through this activity, the students learned the value of teamwork. The coordination between students, faculty, and volunteers led to the successful completion of the tasks. The collective effort instilled a sense of unity and responsibility.
- **Awareness on Cleanliness and Social Responsibility:** The students were made aware of the broader significance of cleanliness, not only for personal well-being but for the community and society as a whole. The NSS volunteers understood the crucial role they play in community service, and the importance of taking ownership of public spaces and their surroundings.

Conclusion:

The **Shramdan activity on the first day** of the **NSS Residential Camp at Tasgaon Village** was a successful and impactful initiative. The cleaning of the school rooms and the Vittal Mandir area helped create a cleaner, more organized environment, both for the volunteers and the local community. The students' active participation in this task demonstrated their commitment to community service and social responsibility.

This event marked the beginning of a week-long camp filled with opportunities for the students to engage in social service, understand rural life, and contribute to the development of the community. The success of the first day set a positive tone for the activities planned for the rest of the camp.

The NSS unit at **Shri Vijaysinha Yadav College, Pethvadgaon** remains committed to fostering leadership, social responsibility, and environmental awareness through such activities. The camp at **Tasgaon Village** is a valuable experience that will continue to inspire students to actively engage in community service in the future.



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