



National Service Scheme-Cell

Maulana Azad National Urdu University Hyderabad

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The National Service Scheme Cell of Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU) was established with the accord of the State NSS Cell in the year 2011. The beginning of the unit in the university was welcome step by the Andhra Pradesh State NSS Cell which thought of doing such noble initiative. The reason is very simple that Urdu university in itself is a newly constituted central university in the year 1998 by An Act of Parliament as a central university with all India jurisdiction and making it a unique central cum national university of the country catering the large diverse but homogenous urdu linguistic community. It is essential to keep the broad objectives of providing focussed education to women of the country with Urdu medium as medium as instruction of learning.

In this context, the above description helps us to relate the composition of the registered volunteers in the allocated units. There are two unit with hundred (100) members each unit been given with the guidelines of following the best composition on the basis of caste and gender to make it equitable and integrative based unit of the NSS cell. The guidelines of the registered volunteers have been taken into consideration with the due respect. In the early academic session, the registration was going beyond the allotted number for which the concerned officers had to struggle in terms of balancing the number at the 200 only.

The new session started with new enthusiasm and energy. With the reconstitution of the NSS unit helped in strengthening the base among the students. It was first such event in the university where students could find their own platform and use the space for the extra curricular activities mandated in the motives and objectives of NSS. The first round of applaud came from the teachers and non-teaching community when the volunteers along the cell officers started campaigning in the campus. At different occasion, the presence of NSS volunteers makes a lot of

impact. The success begins with the huge turn out of audience from the university community in any event organized on behalf of NSS Cell.

This was the reason, the Hon"ble vice chancellor of the university assured all his support and encouraged to take up the activities at the vast level and with honest spirit, and his assurance to provide all necessary supports.

Several intensive meetings were carried out in the dinning halls of the university hostels in the beginning of NSS unit. Except a few students, large numbers of candidates were not aware about the purpose and motives of having NSS an essential curriculum of the university or educational institution. The low level of awareness about NSS gave ample opportunity to the newly established unit and it took days and hours altogether in informing the students. The programme officer, Ziyauddin went to departments and at times, in the classrooms to inform and share the purpose of NSS in the university. Precisely, such methods generated momentum in the university and the result was inherent in the months to come. The report will describe the success of the events held on behalf of cell. The most important factor was the new energy and channelled association of the new Programme Coordinator Dr. Mohd. Shahid and Dr. Farha Deeba as Programme Officer made a long term impact. The intervening special role of Mr. Shahid Raza, Mr. Israr Alam and Dr. Aftab Alam is always to applaud. The department of social work of the university has taken up the unit rather they have adopted the university NSS Cell as their infant, one cannot forget the fact of anxiety and pain taken by the parents during infants, this is similar to NSS of Maulana Azad National Urdu University.

Activities Undertaken:

A. Duration: 01-04-2012 to 30-09-12

 The transition of anything is essentially not a smooth honour so forth NSS unit also witnessed for certain period only. The NSS Cell volunteers celebrated 15th August, 2012 Independence Day along the university officials. It was the first such appearance of volunteers at different capacity. Few volunteers gave flag hosting

salute and guard of honour to the Hon"ble vice chancellor, Prof. Mohd. Miyan. A bunch of volunteers arranged the different programmes on the day and sang national anthem. The services to the guest present in the event of Flag Hosting were arranged by the volunteers under the guidance of university Public Relations Officers Mr. Abid Abdul Wasey for which he appreciated the team of the volunteers. At the end, the cleaning of area was taken to keep the surrounding better place. The last but not the least guiding the visitors to see and enjoy the flora and fauna in the university campus was carried and the appreciation was much more than anything to the volunteers for their interest. It is vital to understand the association of the huge number of volunteers joining hand on the Independence Day when generally students do not turn up and enjoy going to urban city centres. The NSS Programme Officer K. M. Ziyauddin was very excited and offered the volunteers some extra snacks and encouraged to join hand in hand in any events of NSS.

2. Orientation Progaramme of NSS Volunteers:

As we found that Students in MANUU Campus were less aware of the nature of NSS and consequent engagement with NSS, an orientation programme was organised for volunteers to develop better comprehension about NSS, its philosophical basis and things to be done being NSS Volunteers. This programme was organised in the Conference Hall of Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy. It was the first formal meeting with the NSS Volunteers and as a result of it breeze of NSS started flowing amongst students and around the campus. Students showed their interest and staring visiting us to enrol their name as volunteer. The response from the students was prolific and highly appreciable.

Maulana Azad National Urdu University has become vibrant with the arrival of NSS volunteers for which a special thank to present to the State NSS Cell for constant support and encouragement.

3. Apart from regular weekly meeting with volunteers which goes for two to three hours, on every Friday a meeting with all volunteers is also scheduled. The total

volunteers have been formed into different small groups in a number of 15 students. These small groups meet weekly at the venue of NSS space and discuss the regular works done on behalf of group with the other groups in the presence of Programme Coordinator and Programme Officers.

B. Duration: 01-10-2012 to 26-01-2013

1. Orientation Programme for newly joined volunteers:

An orientation programme was organized with the volunteers on large number at the Open Air Theatre auditorium and the presentation was given by Programme Officer K.M. Ziyauddin. The programme was chaired by Programme Coordinator, Dr. Mohd. Shahid with the newly inducted students/volunteers in the month of October, 2012.

2. UN International Day of Non Violence Celebration:

Seeing the interest, energy and enthusiasm of volunteers it was essentially required to organise the engagement in purposeful manner so as to make the presence of NSS in MANUU Campus a meaningful one. With this perspective

NSS CELL, MANUU has planned to celebrate the UN International Day of Non-Violence, with high spirit of

progressing ahead. To commemorate the 2nd October (Gandhi Jayanti), Gandhi's path of *ahimsa* and the NSS theme of the day (*From Non-Violence to Humanity*), a documentary film "Little Terrorist" were screened in the CPDUMT auditorium of Maulana Azad National Urdu University Main campus Hyderabad. Programme got more interesting and healthier because of competitive spirit as slogan writing and quiz competition were incorporated in the schedule.

The film "*Little Terrorist*" generated a new wave among the university fraternity due to the fact that such events were not taken up to the students. The success



lied with this fact and huge turn out of students, packed auditorium even in the national holiday; heavy rainfall did not stop the presence of all.

Prof. T.V. Kattimani, Dean, School of Mass Communication and Journalismand former Programme Coordinator, NSS MANUU was the chief guest of the day. Dr. Farida Siddiqui, Honorary Director, Central Library, Maulana Azad National Urdu University and Dr. Abdul Wahid, Head, Deptt.of Computer Sciences and Technology were the guest of honours and jury panellist.



In Photo left to right- Mr. K. M. Ziyauddin, Programme Officer, Dr. Mohd. Shahid-Programme Coordinator, Mr. Shahid Raza, Prof. T.V. Kattimani, Dr. Farida Siddiqui, Dr. Abdul Wahid and Mr. Md Israr Alam

Slogan Writing and Quiz Competition:

It took a week to begin with the schedule of the activities. The intensive meeting along the concerned stakeholders of the unit and deptt. of social work of the university was taken up before the event could materialize.

Mr Israr Alam, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Social Work, MANUU coordinated and anchored the Slogan writing and Quiz competition. The slogan writing competition was held in the Lecture Hall Complex, MANUU and Quiz competition was held at CPDUMT auditorium on 2nd October, 2012. The slogan writing competition began at early morning 9:00 o clock in the lecture hall complex of the university campus. Both

the Slogan Writing & quiz competition has culminated to be most interesting event of the young student volunteers.



B.Ed. and Mr. Suhel Ahmad, student of Master of Social Work, got first and second prizes for slogan writing on the theme From Non-Violence to Humanity. A total of 28 students participated in the slogan writing competition. The slogans were written in English,

Mr. Syed Imran Razvi, student of

Hindu and Urdu languages. The jury consisting of Dr Farida Siddiqui, Dr. Abdul Wahid and Mr Shahid Raza finalised the winners of slogan writing and had a tough time in deciding the first and second rank among the top two best slogans.

A total of 29 volunteers



participated in the Quiz competition. The quiz was based on the life and writings of Mahatma Gandhi and was conducted in an open, interesting and interactive manner. The first buzzer approach in the form of raising the hand was adopted for answering the quiz questions. Prof. T.V. Kattimani, Dr. Farida Siddiqui and Dr. Abdul Wahid were the panellist to moderate and manage quiz. On spot reward in the form of chocolates were given to participants giving the correct answer. Mr.Nayyar Iqbal, student of B.Ed., was given first prize in quiz competition for answering maximum number of questions. The feedbacks of the present volunteers were taken orally which returned a huge encouragement to the NSS Cell officers.

Screening of Documentary film "Little Terrorist" & Post-Screening Discussion:

The Programme Officer of NSS, Mr K. M. Ziyauddin, Asst. Professor at Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy of the university conducted the entire programme and the introduced the Guests and Discussants of the day at CPDUMT Auditorium, MANUU. Dr. Mohd. Shahid, Programme Coordinator, NSS and Head, Deptt. of Social Work reflected on the background of the NSS Cell and the intention of screening the documentary film "Little Terrorist" on Non-Violence Day. Prof. T.V. Kattimani, Dean, School of Mass Communication and Journalism Chaired the session and Dr. Farida Siddiqui, Honorary Director, Central Library MANUU and Dr. Abdul Wahid, Head, Deptt. of Computer Sciences and Technology were the Discussants. The 15 minutes documentary film directed by Ashwin Kumar captivated the audience invoking the finer grains of humanity which are beyond the territorial and ritualistic boundaries of region, religion and caste. The post-screening discussion continued for more than two hours and had to be cut-short for the want of time. But it served the purpose of motivating and sensitizing the students for the large cause of humanity. Prof. T.V. Kattimani encouraged the students for actively participating in the out-door activities of the NSS. Reflecting through his life experiences and writings of Farnishwar Nath Renu he argued the importance of social service and how little efforts of volunteers create wonders in the lives of others.

Prize Distribution and Thanks Giving!!

The prizes were given in the forms of *Oxford English to Urdu Dictionary*. Mr.Shahid Raza, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Social Work, MANUU articulated the spirit behind



finalising the prize items and

exhorted volunteers for the *use of dictionary* in the age of internet. Mr. Raza proposed the vote of thanks to guests, jury, teachers, staff, NSS volunteers and students. Special thanks to Dr. Aftab Alam, Mr. Imtiyaz Alam, Mr Hussain, Mahfuz, Muffakir, Yasir, Faheem from MANUU. The students from Roda Mistry College of Social Work, Osmania University also participated in the activities.

Some of the residents from the university campus also joined the films screening and participated in the discussion and question hour. The young kids made the event joyful with their sincere and silence presence along the parents. The support provided by the Estate section and office staff of the CPDUMT auditorium was meaningful on the day when the university closes on 2nd October, 2013. The

university staffs coming to the office for the cause of NSS is no more than a matter of appreciation and reward to the unit members.



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3. Transect Walk:

On 21st October, 2013 <u>National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell of Maulana Azad National</u> <u>Urdu University organized a Transect Walk</u> in the university campus. A transect walk is a tool for describing and showing the location and distribution of resources, features, landscapes, main land uses.



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campus. Mr. Owais Khan, from CSDS, New Delhi gave brief about а the proceedings of the CoP 11 held in Hyderabad on UN Bio-Diversity. The interactive session with Mr. Owais resulted into very fruitful exercise among volunteers. Mohd. Dr. Shahid, Coordinator gave welcome address and briefed the volunteers about the importance of transect walk



in the university and how the bio diversity can be saved. Mr. K. M. Ziyauddin, Programme Officer elaborated and explained the future plan of NSS for the month and the decision to conduct Blood Donation Camp was taken after the feedback of the volunteers. The group discussion was facilitated by Mr. Mohd. Israr, Asstt. Professor, Deptt. of Social Work.



Before the transect walk, meeting with programme coordinator and programme officers about the methods and process to carry the transect walk at the Department of Social Work.

The decision to conduct the transect walk taken after wider consultation of the NSS cell team members and volunteers to give it a meaningful event. The university was informed well in advance and this helped the NSS to get the press release very next day. **4. Blood Donation Camp:** A blood donation camp was organized by NSS Cell of MANUU at University Health Centre. The organization of camp supplemented the spirit of the University to commemorate the Maulana Azad Day Celebrations and the teachings of great educationist Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.

The camp was organized by the team of Doctors and support staff from MNJ Institute of Oncology and Regional Cancer Centre, Hyderabad; they were Dr. P. Laxmi, Medical



Officer, Blood Bank; Dr. Sandhya, Social Worker and the medical team from MNJ Institute coordinated the camp. The event was organized in association with Deptt. of Social Work and CSSEIP of MANUU. MNJ Cancer Hospital is one among the hospital catering to the most deprived social groups of the society. The Bloods are given to the poorest and patients suffering from severe illnesses without any familial and social support. The association of Maulana Azad National Urdu University is old with this hospital due to the fact that students of social work are working as part of their course programme in the hospital. The plan top organize this event was felt after having intense discussion with some activists, faculty of the university and students. The prevalent reason of not donating blood is deep rooted in the society and the mythical notions and misconceptions are central to the NSS agenda. Any such understating requires scientific and logical understandings require institutional support and the delivery of this knowledge needs immediate action. National Service Scheme Cell of Maulana Azad National Urdu University is quite happy and convinced with this idea apart from its various other activities. In this background, the camp was organized

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successfully with the huge participation of donors from student community. The first time donors can make leave impact in the society and widen the space of awareness.



Dr. Mohd. Shahid, Head

Department of Social Work and Programme Coordinator, NSS discussed the relevance of Blood Donation among the volunteers and donors present in the camp. He also donated blood in the beginning of the camp. Programme Officer-NSS, Mr. K. M. Ziyauddin from CSSEIP was happy and satisfied with the number and enthusiasm of the young donors from different departments and centres. The myth surrounding blood donation very strong even among the most educated members of the society and this kind of event will help into eradication of such misconception. The number of donors crossed sixty including teaching, non teaching staff and majority of students. The surprising fact emerges that the most educated individuals of the institutions are caught in the dilemma and do not lend their hands to donate blood. Youth bring changes; no doubt NSS focuses on youth and their energy towards social and national integration. The remarkable presence of students from weaker section of the society in the university would have bigger impact on the social composition of the Indian society. The posters and banners created by the students with their own ways and means show the willingness of learning and sharing spirit. I am Proud as a Voluntary Blood Donor, What about you? Share life donate blood, Give blood — stay healthy; I don't know your name, but thank you for your gift of life etc were several slogans presented by the students in the posters.



Most significant, it was the first Blood Donation Camp organized in the university since the inception of the university which was also acknowledged by several esteemed members of the university. Prof. H.Y. Siddiqui, Advisor to Honb'le Vice Chancellor, Prof. T.V. Kattimani, Chief Warden, and Dr. Abdul Wahid, Head Deptt. Of CS&IT also motivated the volunteers. Dr Wahid also donated the blood and shared that he donates blood almost thrice a year. The presence of teaching faculty Mr. Shahid Raza, Dr. Aftab Alam, Mr. Israr Alam, Mr. Athar Hussain, Dr. Masoodi, Dr. Shazli etc was worth to mentioning for promoting the camp. The majority of the donors were from Polytechnic, ITI, MCA, MSW, MBA, MA (Hindi), CSSEIP and education (M.Ed. & B.Ed.). The support of the Inchage Health Centre, Dr. M.K. Ansari and their staff was commendable in managing the camp. The support staff Akbar, Ashraf and Faheem took all pain in the organization of the camp and it definitely includes the real interest and lending of support of Mr. P. Habibullah, Section Officer. The NSS Cell is always obliged to PRO for

the unconditional support in giving media coverage for the events. NSS do not take much time to organize nay event due its own limitation and means which makes it very different from any other units or sections of the institutions. The combination of extra curriculum with the course learning is the agenda of the NSS activities which stands as the core of any programme and activity organized by NSS.

5. Protest March:

This is the one of the most historic event that NSS-CELL has successfully completed in this activity calendar. A protest March was organised by the volunteers against rape with special reference to rape case in Delhi on 16th January, 2013. Volunteers had mobilised more than 1000 students and staffs in campus to make this protest march a successful one. They started from Language Building, MANUU CAMPUS and marched till Telecom Nager, and at the end they formed a human chain and lighted candles for condolence of the rape victims. This was a very effective activity that created a mass level image of NSS Volunteers in the campus. Programme Coordinator and Programme Officers have given their valuable inputs to this event a successful one.

6. Group Development cum Leadership Training

National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell of Maulana Azad National Urdu University organized a mega event on 25th January, 2013 at university Open Air Theatre. The event had important issues to address and follow up them throughout the year. Khwaja Mohd Ziyauddin, Programme officer inaugurated the Leadership cum Group Formation Workshop with fifteen volunteers comprising one group with equal numbers of male and female students. He first took the pledge of National Service Scheme along the other Officers and volunteers. Dr. Mohd. Shahid Programme Coordinator gave his full faith and conveyed his moral support even when he had to travel out in a prior programme to be held in Uttar Pradesh. He conducted the programme with strong motivation of participation. Out of total number, only 140 volunteers attended the Group Leadership Formation Workshop. The leadership principle was elaborated by Mr. Md Israr Alam, Asst. professor Deptt of Social Work, MANUU. He was intensely engaged with the participants and facilitated the participants in emergence of issues and

dynamics needed for healthy group development during the discussion made the event more significant. Dr. Farha Deeba Bazmee, Programme Officer, NSS Cell worked with the volunteers and showed the lively interaction cum learning day about NSS objectives. The leadership skills are most crucial steps of any group but in a half day workshop was meaningful due to the sincere efforts of Farha Deeba during the last one week. A weekly meeting of NSS team and its volunteer is organized every Friday in the afternoon. The present event also witnessed the elaboration of the student volunteers understanding due to the relevance of 25th January as the celebration of Prophet Mohammad (SAW). The pledge to serve the society and nation was taken by all the volunteers on the day and this made a strong connection with the continuation of National Youth Day celebrated every year in the month of January. The students took a small cleaning drive in the Theatre surrounding which made it a learning lesion while working voluntarily. Ziyauddin, Programme Officer elaborated and explained the future plan of NSS along other officers Farha Deeba and Mohd Israr for the month and each group will monitor the weekly activity under the guidance of team leader and NSS Cell Officers. The event ended with snacks and serving tea to the participants and moved safely to the respective places.

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