

Mahatma Education Society's
Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science
New Panvel

National Service Scheme 2018-2019

TERM I & II ACTIVITIES

1. International Yoga day

As part of worldwide observation of International Yoga Day, National Service Scheme of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science, New Panvel in association with Patanjali Yoga Samiti, Panvel also observed this day on 19th June, 2018 in the campus. A yoga training session from 9:00am to 11:00am was organized in which students, teaching and non-teaching staff took part enthusiastically and practiced various 'asanas' of Yoga and pranayama. A Yoga practitioner and his team were invited to demonstrate various Yoga postures and asanas. It was a healthy session and everybody celebrated the day with much fervour.

2. Plastic Ban Camp

As per the notification received from the Government the N.S.S. Unit initiated the plastic ban camp in the college premises on 27th and 29th June, 2018. The camp involved replacement of the old Identification Card cover with the high quality cover for all the students of PCACS.

3. Tree Plantation Drive

The N.S.S. Unit of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science launched an extensive Plantation Programme at the adopted village Siddhi Karole on 26th July 2018. In order to restore the eco-balance of the afforestation drive was taken with all seriousness. Participants were highly enthusiastic to make it a big success. The students planted saplings, and fenced them and watered the plants. The programme created a great stir among the general public too.

4. Social Activity in collaboration with Kotak Education Foundation

The N.S.S. Unit in association with Kotak Education Foundation is organizing social activities from July 2018 to February 2019.

"Alone we can do so little, together we can achieve so much" Helen Keller.

These inspiring words has rightly been proved by the N.S.S. volunteers who are participating in reading practices for KEF Umang students and class management activities for STEP program. The main aim of this program is to facilitate reading and to help students overcome inhibitions. To sensitize students about healthy environment, Street plays on cleanliness drive are also conducted. A total number of 21 N.S.S. volunteers visit four schools at Mankhurd, Govandi and Chembur for two hours every Thursdays to accomplish the objective.

5. Campus maintenance survey

To carry on the agenda of Swachh Bharat Mission, the volunteers of the N.S.S. Unit conducted class-wise maintenance survey from 1st August, 2018 to 15th August, 2018 to create a significant difference in the condition of the classrooms. The venture also aimed at integrating the students with the maintenance of the institution in hopes of creating a harmonious environment. The Unit and volunteers, both committed to the regular upkeep of the campus. The observation of the survey was submitted to the management.

6. Mega Blood Donation Camp

Donating blood is a habit among the Pillai family and we have many examples where all students, teaching and non-teaching fraternity donate blood every year with much fervor and zeal. The NSS unit of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce and Science boast of highest number of blood bottles collected and donated over the past few years.

This year the mega blood donation camp was organized in association with Lions Club of Millennium 29th August, 2018 and collected 548 bottles of blood.

Out of the collected bottles 87 bottles were given to TATA hospital, 157 to Nair Hospital, 136 to Wadia Hospital and 168 to St. George.

7. Thalassemia awareness and detection program

The NSS unit in association with Lions Club of Millennium conducted Thalassemia awareness program and detection camp in the campus on 29th August, 2018. Blood samples from 107 students were collected and clinical reports with necessary suggestions for further examination of the case will be given to the beneficiaries.

8. Felicitation for Blood Donation

The NSS unit of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science Received first in Raigad District in Blood Donation. Celebrating this philanthropic feature of the N.S.S. Unit, The Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai Dr. Suhas Pednekar, Mr. B.S. Bidve Programme Coordinator, University of Mumbai and Mr. Deepak Chaudary District Governor, Lions Club of Millennium felicitated Prof. Shabab Rizvi for the achievement.

9. Leprosy Education, Rehabilitation & Treatment

The NSS unit jointly with ALERT India organized Leprosy Education, Rehabilitation & Treatment campaign on 30th August, 2018.

The thrust of this campaign is to promote students participation to reduce stigma and discrimination against leprosy, enhance early case reporting and reduce leprosy related disabilities. Donor cards were issued to the students.

10. Stem Cell Transplant Registration and Awareness Drive

N.S.S. unit in association with the Marrow Donor Registry India(MDRI) organized Stem Cell donors camp in the College on 4th September, 2018. 128 stem donor registrations were done which included teaching and non-teaching and students form

Pillai College Arts, Commerce and Science. Students were also oriented about Stem Cell Donor Registration one day prior to the camp.

11. The Swachh Survekshan initiative

The N.S.S. Unit in association with Panvel Municipal Corporation initiated Swachh Survekshan in the campus on 4th September, 2018. The Swachh Survekshan is an annual exercise by the ministry of urban development to measure the progress of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (Clean India Mission) launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in November 2014. The initiative was organized in the presence of Ms. Madhu Priya Additional Commissioner, Panvel Municipal Corporation . Around 800 students downloaded the app and with this provision students can post a complaint of garbage pile-ups and mismanagement by taking a picture and posting it through the app. The app captures the location and forwards it to the concerned city-corporation after which it is assigned to the concerned ward-level sanitary inspector. students can also check the status of their complaint.

12. Relief drive

In the wake of the present floods in Kerala, the NSS unit carried out donation drive 23rd August, 2018 to contribute to Kerala's relief. Students generously contribute for the relief of the flood-affected people. They collected clothes, medicines, donated money to arrange for relief materials. This humanitarian gesture would eventually help people recover from an awful situation.

13. Swachha Bharat Abhiyan Activities

The N.S.S.unit prepared an Action Plan on Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan and organized many activities and has planned to organize many more in the forthcoming session.

NSS Volunteers engaged in cleaning the local railway stations, bus stands and other public places from time to time.The volunteers adopted Hospitals, Old-Age Homes, Orphanages, Parks to clean up the premises and also to generate awareness about cleanliness among the masses. All these activities were carried from 1st August to 15th August, 2018. Details of the adopted places by the volunteers stream-wise:

Government Hospital- F.Y.B.Sc IT

Government School- S.Y.B.Sc IT

Community Center- F.Y.B.Com.FM

Railway Station- T.Y.B.Com

Bus Stop- S.Y.B.Com

Pillai Campus Ground- S.Y.B.Sc. CS

Garden- S.Y.B.Com.FM

14. NSS launch campaign against use of plastic bags

Alarmed by the increasing environmental threat posed by plastic, volunteers of N.S.S. Unit launched an anti-plastic drive by distributing cotton carry bags to the staff

members and to the vendors near Panvel railway station on 8th September, 2018. The youngsters, committed to spreading the environmental message, conducted street plays, organized rally carrying placards. They also urged the public to refrain themselves from the use of plastics in their daily life. The public appreciated the efforts of the students.

15. Road safety awareness rally

As every year in the month of January the road safety week is organized by the ministry of road transport and highways. The N.S.S unit of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce and Science New Panvel organized Road Safety Awareness Rally with RTO Senior Officer Mr. Vinod Wasikar on 28th September 2018 to enlighten people on road safety, driving rules and cautions.

16. Voter Registration Drive

A voter registration drive is an effort undertaken by government authorities as well as political parties and other entities to register to vote all persons otherwise entitled to vote. N.S.S. conducted Voter Registration Drive 2018 in the college campus for all institutions (PCACS, PICA, PIMSR, PCE). On 28th September 2018 class to class awareness was conducted and the next three days Registration drive for Electoral Roll was conducted in the campus.

17. Versova Beach Cleaning Campaign

Mumbai, the most populous city in India is known for its beaches. But piles of trash and sewage contamination have made them unsafe for visitors in past few years from now. Inspired by Mumbai based lawyer and environmentalist Afroze Shah. The N.S.S unit of Pillai College conducted Versova beach cleaning campaign on 30th September 2018.

18. Blood Donation Camp

N.S.S. unit of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science in association with Lions Club organized Blood Donation Camp in Panvel Railway Station on 6th October, 2018. NSS volunteers played a key role in spreading awareness about the event to the public. At the end of the day over 98 blood bottles were collected and given to J.J. Hospital, J.J. Mahanagar blood bank, Byculla and State Blood Transfusion Council, Govt of Maharashtra.

19. Swachhata Hi Seva Hai

Inspired by Clean India Mission a nation-wide campaign that aims to clean up the streets, roads and infrastructure of Indian cities, towns and rural areas the N.S.S unit jointly with Panvel Municipal Corporation organized Swachhata Hi Seva Hai (Clean Panvel Beautiful Panvel) on 11th October, 2018.

20. 7 days' Residential Camp'

National Service Scheme organized 7-days Residential Camp from 14th December to 20th December 2018 at Siddhi Karole village near Taloja. There were 75 students selected from the NSS unit to set out for the 7 days camp in order to serve the society. Students were accompanied by the NSS coordinators. Each day began at 6:00 am followed by yoga. Soon Students got accustomed to this routine.

Activities Conducted in 7 days' Residential Camp at Karole:

The activities included Rubella and Gover Vaccination awareness, Energy Conservation and Career Counseling, Cleanliness Drive, Remedial Teaching at Zila Parishad School, Free Eye Checkup and Spectacles distribution and Health and Diabetic Checkup camp. Lectures for personality development and Cultural skits for awareness were also organized during the camp.

Each day the students looked forward to doing their best for the village community. Pillai College believes that, each human being has his/her duty to serve this society, and help those in needs and help them grow and develop in the best way possible. With this in mind the NSS volunteers had set out for the camp and are happy to say that the volunteers did their best to bring a smile on the faces of the villagers.

21. Walkathon Against Blindness

The N.S.S. unit participated in the world's largest walkathon against blindness organized by Advanced Eye Hospital & Institute, One Vision Health and Research Foundation and our students participate across all the competition every year.

Dancing is another form where our students left no stone unturned. , the ELITE dance group left the judges and audience to applaud loudest for them. Undoubtedly, they won the Best Dance Performance Award. All these efforts were highly appreciated by the celebrities supporting the social cause of fighting against blindness.

22. Golden Saturday with Alumni on account of 50 years of M.E.S in 2020

The National Service Scheme of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science celebrated Golden Saturday with Alumni on January 26, 2019 on account of 50 years of Mahatma Education Society in 2020. The 70th Republic Day celebration was organized with Parade and colorful cultural activities. The Chief Guest of the day was our alumni, Mr. Inder Sharma, Founder Member, AWAAZ NGO. The Heads of all Institutions graced the occasion and all the teaching and non-teaching staff participated and celebrated with great enthusiasm.

23.Unnat Bharat Abhiyan

The mission of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is to enable participating higher educational institutions to work with the people of rural India in identifying development challenges and evolving appropriate solutions for accelerating sustainable growth.

Under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, a flagship program of Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) Government of India, UGC has selected our institution to fulfill the objectives. As per the guidelines the NSS unit of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce & Science has adopted five villages namely Nevali, Pale Bk, Valap, Nitalas and Vavanje under this program for Baseline Household survey as well as village survey. 30 student volunteers headed by a Professor has completed the survey as per the prescribed format given by the Government. In total 163 student volunteers collected data from these villages with the help of Gram Panchayat and the data has been uploaded online on the reporting portal of UBA website. Currently the unit is waiting for the government funds to execute the plans and to meet the requirements of the villages.
