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3.4.1 Extension projects 2021-22

The institute undertook the following extension projects during the academic year, 2021-22:

1. NSS Extension activities - Special Camp

Place: Sonewadi, Block; Nagar, District; Ahmednagar

Total Number of Volunteers Participated; 75

Date of Special Camp; 19 - 25 March, 2022

Introduction;

The special camp is one of the vital activities for the NSS as it has a dual objective of learning and contributing to the village development for volunteers. The volunteers learn about the real reality by observing, interaction with villagers of socio-economic conditions and role of government institutions in developing the village. On other hand camp participants also contributes to village development by creating awareness and implementing the Swachha Bharat Abhiyan and various other activities.

The campers follow the aims and objectives of the camp in order to learn more about the village and fulfil the them. The camp plays another important role in developing the personality of the participant volunteers as it organises special input session for the volunteers and villagers. The volunteers were divided into small groups to do the group activities and also learn about the village aspects like, geography, demography, occupation, social life, community based organisations and their roles etc. The volunteers were given special orientation on 17 March 2022 about the need of NSS camp, objectives, activities, group living, group tasking and personality development.

Day One, Saturday 19 March 2022

The special camp began with the inaugural at 11.00am. The NSS programme officer stressed on the objectives of the camp and how it will help us in developing the personality and learning about the village through his introduction. Mr. Vijay Sansare, Program Officer, NSS of the unit stressed on the goals and objectives of camp in his opening remark. The special camp was inaugurated by chief guest Mr. Suresh Sumbe, Chairman of Nagar Taluka Khardi-Vikri Sangh. He mentioned that volunteer's spirit is important that comes from within and lasts forever. He spoke that youth can contribute to number of activities that will be very much helpful for the people of village. But all these activities will be carried out only through the self-motivation.

The programme officers will guide you to learn more about the village and also develop the personality. The director of the institute Dr. Suresh Pathare said that we must contribute to the village development in every way possible. You can create awareness through street play, home visit of various aspects. And on the other hand, you can also contribute through shramdan by plantation, implementing Swachha Bharat Abhiyan or other types of work.

Mrs. Swati Sumbe, Sarpanch, Sonewadi village gave her remark as a chairperson asked volunteers to carry out Swachhatta Abhiyan and soil and water conservation and also create awareness on social, health and educational concerns amongst villagers. She welcomed everybody and assured all the required support for the success of the camp and all its activities. The inaugural concluded with the vote of thanks that was proposed by Mr. Suresh Mugutmal, NSS Program Officer.

Day Two, Sunday 20 March 2022

In the morning the session began with exercises lead by the volunteers. The special camp second day began with the inaugural of Swachha Bharat Abhiyan. The village Sarpanch Mrs. Swati Sumbe and Deputy Sarpanch Mr. Nitin Dalvi and Panchayat members welcomed the campers and Sarpanch spoke about the importance of the shramdan. The volunteers carried out the shramdan in and around village by observing implementing the Swachha Bharat Abhiyan in public places like schools, village roads and common hall of village.

The special input session was conducted by Mr. Harishchandra Dalvi, village school teacher on 'Village and Rural Development'. He stressed on Sonewadi village historical development and processes of rural development. After the session students visited the village people at the shops and families and farmer to learn about the life of people and about the village on various aspects like occupation, farming and social issues. The volunteers also conducted mashal pheri in the village to also create awareness about the various social issues. The day concluded with roll taking and feedback over the activities those were conducted during the day.

Day Three, Monday 21 March 2022

The day started with exercises and meditations in the morning that followed by prayer and roll call. The shramdan continued in the village with special cleanliness drive in schools and road sides and Lose Boulder Structures. The special input session was delivered by Mr. Natha Deshmuksh on Organic Farming and Importance of Group Farming. The special visit was made by Dr. D. N. Kartikan, Regional Director, NSS, Maharashtra and Goa State. He appreciated the volunteers work and also congratulated program officers for conducting such well organised special camp. He was accompanied by Dr. Sharad Borude, Coordinator, ETI, NSS, Ahmednagar College, Ahmednagar and Ahmednagar District NSS Coordinator Dr. Ashok Ghorpade.

This followed the family visits and discussing with women, children and youth about the family issues and concerns. Post dinner the volunteers performed street plays and social songs near the Grampanchayat Office. The volunteers created awareness regarding personal hygiene and social issues like addiction, farmer suicide, importance of education and women issues. The day's activities were concluded with roll call and short feedback taken by the NSS Programme Officer.

Day Four, Tuesday 22 March 2022

The day started with yoga in the community hall. Yoga was followed by prayer and roll calls. Today volunteers conducted a special shramdan by cleaning and weeding around the watering and cleaning around trees and cleaning village cemetery. Today's special session was on Livelihood Question in Village and Role of Government. The session was delivered by Mr. Somnath Jagtap. Mr. Rahul Patole, Coordinator, DDU-GKY Ahmednagar. He spoke 'Rural Youth Skills Building'. The volunteers performed the street plays and social songs, group songs to create awareness among the villagers about the healthy life style and personal cleaning. The day's activities were closed with feedback and roll call in the community hall.

Day Five, Wednesday 23 March 2022

The day started with yoga in the community hall. Yoga was followed by prayer and roll calls. Today volunteers conducted a special shramdan by cleaning and weeding around the watering and cleaning around trees and cleaning village cemetery. The volunteers performed special shramdan in roads side of village banniyan trees. The volunteers also heard the input session in the afternoon on cleanliness and person persona hygiene. Dr. K K Kanojia delivered the session interactively and lively. He spoke about the cleanliness and safety of the water, needs of personal cleaning especially before having food and after using the washroom. The session was followed with visiting the community to learn about the various aspect of the village. Soon after the dinner the volunteers performed street plays and sang social songs through the cultural programme. Then roll call and feedback were taken by the programme officer for the different activities that were conducted during the day.

Day Six, Thursday 24 March 2022

In the morning the session began with exercises lead by the volunteers. The volunteers performed cleanliness drive in the village. The input session was delivered by Mr. Kantilal Patole, Coordinator, BGVK, Ahmednagar and he talked about the 'Gender Equity'. The session was conducted in an innovative manner. The volunteers made special visit to community to learn about the various aspects of the village by interacting with different stakeholders and key person of the village and also performed cultural activities to create social awareness on valour issues.

Day Seven, Friday 25 March 2022

The day began with a trekking in the farming field sites of the village. The volunteers performed the yoga and also clean the surrounding areas. This led to the valedictory session in the village. Village head Sarpanch Mrs. Swati Sumbe was a chairperson of the function. He congratulated volunteers and their contribution in the village through shramdan and social awareness. Chief guest of the programme was Mr. Suresh Sumbe, Chairman of Nagar Talk Khardi-Vikri Sangh and Mrs. Deepali Patil, Director, Swaumbhav India Human Development, Pune. The Deputy Sarpanch, Mr. Nitin Dalvi, Principal of the Village ZP School, Anganwadi Sevika, SHG Chairperson, Journalist witnessed to the function.

Conclusion

The camp was a successful and served its all objectives for village development and volunteers' development. The volunteers had enriching learning experiences in the villages as learnt from their feedback and sharing at various level during the camp. The volunteers performed shramdan, crated social awareness and also learn from the input sessions and family, community visits and the objectives of the activities were fulfilled in systematic manner.

2. Field work extension under MSW curriculum of the Institute:

As a part of the course all the students of MSW were required to do fieldwork. For this purpose, students were placed in various development agencies, industries and communities. The first-year fieldwork was generic fieldwork whereas second year fieldwork was organized as per their specializations. The students of Urban & Rural Community Development (URCD) were placed in the villages, Family and Child Welfare (FCW), Human Resource Management (HRM) and Medical and Psychiatric Social Work (MPSW) students were placed in respective agency settings. Considering the COVID-19 situation field work was organized at the places of student's residence during the first and the third semesters during the academic year 2021-22. Students were asked to work

agencies, hospitals or community by following norms for COVID appropriate behaviour. Field work for the semesters II and IV were held offline at Ahmednagar.

The field work agencies for the academic year 2021-22 (Semester II & IV) were the following:

MSW I years (semester II) field placement agencies and communities

1. Amrutvahini Gramin Vikas Mandal, Ahmednagar
2. Athare Patil Balgruha, MIDC, Ahmednagar
3. Ahmednagar Child Line office, Gandhimaidan
4. Education Department, Zila Parishad, Ahmednagar
5. Health Department, Ahmednagar Municipal Corporation
6. Janakibai Apte Deaf and Dumb Residential School
7. Marathi Mission Boys High School
8. Observation Home, Ahmednagar
9. Residential School for Mentally retarded, Tapovan, Ahmednagar
10. Sanjivani Deaf and Dumb School, Savedi, Ahmednagar
11. Savali children's home, Kedgaon, Ahmednagar
12. School for Mentally retarded, Ahmednagar
13. Anandsadan Shelter Home, Sanjai Nagar, Ahmednagar
14. Shishugruah Adoption Centre, Ahmednagar
15. Snehalaya, MIDC, Ahmednagar
16. Utkarsha Balgruha Prkalp, Tapovan Road, Savedi, Ahmednagar
17. Yateemkhana Children's home, Ahmednagar
18. Bhimwadi Community (urban slum)
19. Laltaki Community (urban slum)
20. Ramwadi Community (urban slum)
21. Sanjay Nagar Community (urban slum)
22. Siddhartha Nagar Community (urban slum)
23. Wadarwadi Community (urban slum)

MSW II years (semester IV) field placement agencies and communities

Community placement for URCD specialisation

1. Aarangoan (District Rural Development Agency)
2. Agadgoan (village community)
3. Akolner (village community)
4. Baburdi-Bend (village community)
5. Bhorwadi (village community)
6. Dashme-Gavhan (village community)

7. Dongargan (village community)
8. Hiware-Zare (village community)
9. Kapurvadi (village community)
10. Khadaki (village community)
11. Khandala (village community)
12. Manjarsumba (village community)
13. Pimpalgoan-Malvi (village community)
14. Sonewadi (village community)
15. Takali-Kazi (village community)

Agency placement for FCW specialisation

1. Bharosa Cell (counselling centre)
2. Family Court, Ahmednagar
3. MAVIM – Maharashtra Aartik Vikas Mahamandal, Ahmednagar
4. SAKHI – One Stop Centre (counselling centre)
5. Snehadhar – Counselling centre

Industrial placement for HRM specialisation

1. Crompton Greaves Ltd. MIDC, Ahmednagar
2. Schneider Ltd. MIDC, Ahmednagar
3. Klassic Wheels Ltd. MIDC, Ahmednagar

Hospital placement for MPSW specialisation

1. Booth Hospital
2. DAPCU – District AIDS Prevention and Control Unit, Civil Hospital
3. Dr. Vikhe Patil Foundation's Medical College and Hospital
4. Psychiatric Department, Civil Hospital

As part of the field work, visits were conducted to model villages and various other development and welfare agencies such as Ralegon Sidhi, Hiware Bazar, Comprehensive Rural Health Project (CRHP, Jamkhed), Patoda model village (Aurangabad), Samaj Seva Kendra (Newasa), Tata Strive skill development project (Pune), Certified School for the mentally retarded girls (Shirur), and Maher rehabilitation centre for the destitute (Wagholi).

3. Extension project of the Institute - Shelter home for the destitute and the homeless:

CSR in collaboration with Ahmednagar Municipal Corporation, under National Urban Livelihood Mission, is running a shelter home project for the urban homeless since February 2018. Ahmednagar Municipal Corporation is providing operations and maintenance cost along with honorarium of the staff. During 2021-22, an average of 40 to 60 people took shelter on daily basis. Following Activities are carried out in Shelter Home:

- Homeless persons survey, through Night Walk & Outreached work
- Identification of newly Homeless persons and admitting them into shelter.

- Meeting the basic needs of the homeless – food, shelter and clothing
- Medical services
- Livelihood services
- Counselling of Homeless Persons
- Re-patriation of the homeless to their families after treatment

4. Other extension and outreach activities of the Institute - Samata Samajik Saptah

Observation of Samata Samajik Saptah on the Occasion of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Birth Anniversary from **7th to 16th April 2022**. A blood donation camp was organized with support from Acharya Anand Rushiji Hospital Blood Bank on 09th April 2022. 42 students donated blood on the occasion. Several activities were organised on the occasion in collaboration with the district social welfare department. Competitions were organised for drawing, essay and elocution in several field work villages and agencies by the MSW students. Certificates were distributed to the participants. ‘Samata Rally’ was held in the city on 14 April 2022 followed by a public function which was attended by 210 people including social work students, faculty members, social work practitioners and professionals. Mr. Radhakisan Devde (Asst. Commissioner, District Social Welfare Department), Mr. Pradeep Jare (CSR D faculty) and Mr. Sunil Manor (PRO, Anandrishi Blood Bank) gave messages. Dr. Rajender Bhosle (District Commissioner), Mr. Manoj Patil, Mr. Shankar Gore, Mr. Radhakishan Devde, Mr. Rahul Gangarde, Mr. Rafik Munshi, Mr. Sanjay Khamkar, Mr. Dinesh Devre and Mr. Dilavar Sayyed participated in various events organized during the samata saptah