

Report of the N.S.S. Activities (Regular)
Bidhannagar College Unit
Academic Calendar: 2018-2019

Total number of activities performed: 08

ACTIVITY NO. 1

Independence Day Celebration (15.08.18)

Bidhannagar College was all set to observe the 72nd independence day of India on 15th August 2018. Everyone on the campus was geared up & enthusiastic for the momentous occasion. Dr. Soumyasree Sen, Head, Department of Education hoisted the National flag as Officer-in-Charge of this College and delivered speech on the importance of the day. Dr. Supriya Chatterjee, Programme Officer of the NSS unit delivered speech relating that day and the motto of NSS. Three songs were sung by NSS volunteers and a drama performed by Students' Union. 74 students, 9 teachers and 2 non-teaching staff were present in the programme.

ACTIVITY NO. 2

College cleaning programme

Bidhannagar College NSS unit has a vision and strong commitment towards the service of the society. The said unit is always involved with the activities related to cleaning of campus and awareness programmes on different issues on societal life among students.

(a) First day of campus cleaning on 22.09.2018:

In pursuit of control of vector borne diseases and preventive measures against Dengue and Chikunguniya, the following steps have been taken. College organized a campus cleaning programme at its premises where NSS volunteers (divided in several groups) carried out a massive cleanliness drive. The waste material such as plastic and paper cups, papers, plastic and paper packets were collected from the campus lawn. Sprinkling of bleaching powder and phenyl were done over the open drains of the campus.

21 volunteers and 4 teachers were present in the cleaning programme.

(b) Second day of campus cleaning on 14.03.2019:

The same work as stated in (a) had been done by the students. 8 volunteers and 2 teachers were present in the cleaning programme.

(c) Third day of campus cleaning on 26.03.2019:

After a few days again a thorough campus cleaning, sprinkling of bleaching powder and phenyl on different spaces of the campus lawn were done. Beside this, leaflets on control and preventive measures of vector borne diseases, Dengue and Chikunguniya were also distributed among students for their awareness. The leaflets were also distributed to the general public outside the College.

Water samples were collected from different sources of campus lawn and examined by the faculty of Zoology Department. It was found that more than 70 percent of mosquito larvae were of *Aedes aegypti*.

Moreover a request letter was sent to Bidhannagar Municipal Corporation to take necessary control measure for the same before commencement of the classes after long vacation because the campus of the College is too large to take any preventive and control activity for the same by volunteers of NSS unit.

ACTIVITY NO. 3

Observation of NSS day on 24.09.2018

The National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of Bidhannagar College marked the NSS Day by the introductory lecture by Dr. Madhumita Manna, Principal of this College. The guests from Debesh Dutta Memorial Trust spoke about the donation of eye and body after death. The programme officer delivered a speech on objective and activity of NSS. Forty-nine volunteers, 7 teachers and 7 guests were present and observed the NSS day.

ACTIVITY NO. 4

Pre-Republic Day Parade Selection Camp (5.10.2018)

Our College was selected as the venue for pre-Republic Day parade selection camp by West Bengal State University. The delegates were present as follows:

- 1) Prof. Basab Choudhury, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, West Bengal State University,
- 2) Prof. Jayasri Ray Chaudhuri, Director of Public Instructions, Directorate of Higher Education, Govt. of West Bengal,
- 3) Dr. Rama Prasad Bhattacharya, State NSS Officer, Govt. of West Bengal,
- 4) Ms. Sarita Patel, Regional Director, NSS, Kolkata,
- 5) Dr. A. N. Dey, Honorary State Advisor, Govt. of West Bengal,
- 6) Dr. Pranam Dhar, Programme Coordinator, NSS Cell, West Bengal State University,
- 7) Dr. Madhumita Manna, Principal, Bidhannagar College.

The volunteers and teachers of NSS unit were actively involved in this programme. A volunteer from our College participated in this pre-Republic Day Parade Selection Camp.

ACTIVITY NO. 5

Selection Test for District Level Youth Parliament (17.01.19-19.01.19)

Selection for District Level Youth Parliament was organized by the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India. 10 NSS volunteers in each day and 4 teachers were actively involved in organizing this successful event.

ACTIVITY NO. 6

Parade practice for celebration of Republic Day in our College

- (a) First day of parade practice was held on 22.01.2019. 18 volunteers and one teacher were present.
- (b) In the second day i.e. on 24.01.2019, 21 volunteers and one teacher were present.

ACTIVITY NO. 7

Republic Day Celebration (26.01.19)

NSS unit of Bidhannagar College celebrated the 69th Republic day on 26th January 2019 in the College campus. Dr. Madhumita Manna, Principal hoisted the National flag and delivered her talk on the importance of Republic Day Celebration. NSS volunteers actively participated in the parade during the ceremony. Three patriotic songs were sung by the NSS volunteers. 15 volunteers, 8 teachers and 4 non-teaching staff were present in the programme.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION 2019

To mark the occasion of Earth Day, Bidhannagar College held a day long programme on 11th April, 2019 that aimed at raising awareness about and celebrating the diversity of our planet. The programme was organised jointly by the Department of Zoology and the National Service Scheme / NSS Unit of our college.

The programme began with the auspicious act of planting saplings in the college premises by our guests for the day: Smt. Mallika Jalan, Secretary, Centre for Contemporary Communication (C.C.C.), Smt. Tapati Ghosh, President, (C.C.C.), Dr. Suchitra Ghosh, Retired Professor, Bangabashi College and Dr. Kuladeep Roy, Assistant Manager, WWF-India (West Bengal State Office). A large number of students, NSS volunteers and faculty members had gathered to cheer and celebrate the occasion. The programme was then officially inaugurated with the lighting of a lamp by our guests. In absence of our Principal, Officer-in-Charge Dr. Shoumyasen Sen graced the occasion with her presence. After a welcome address delivered by Smt. Urmi Mitra, Assistant Professor of the Zoology Department, the guests were felicitated by the Officer-in-Charge.

The centrepiece of the first half was the screening of a documentary film *Kolkata 2070*. Directed by Suman Mukhopadhyay, produced by the Centre for Contemporary Communication (CCC) and funded by the German consulate general, this film is set in an imaginary future that sees the city of Kolkata ravaged by the effects of climate change. This well researched bi-lingual documentary raised awareness amongst the audience and was extremely well received. The screening was preceded by some introductory words on the issue by Smt. Mallika Jalan. The film was well complemented by a speech on 'Nature Study' by Dr. Suchitra Ghosh.

Following a brief tea-break, Dr. Kuladeep Roy delivered a lecture titled 'Wildlife Conservation: Rationality and Responsibility'. He spoke lucidly on the importance of field based work and nature study for the beginners. His talk was accompanied by a short documentary on wildlife.

Although late in the day, the Quiz Competition that followed created much enthusiasm amongst the audience. Focused on the topic of environmental awareness, the quiz was conducted by Dr. Biswatosh Ghosh, Assistant Professor of the Department of Zoology. After a series of intriguing questions and a hard fight amongst teams of various departments of the college, the team from the Zoology Department came victorious, followed closely by the team from the Department of Political Science. The successful participants received their prizes from the Officer-in-Charge.

The day was well rounded off with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Sankalita Ghosh, Nodal Officer, NSS Unit, Bidhannagar College and a song sung by the students of the college.

Road Safety Awareness Programme (26.02.19)

Road Safety Awareness Programme was organized in collaboration with Sanei Motors Pvt. Ltd, a wing of Maruti-Suzuki Car Company. 44 volunteers, 4 teachers, 3 guests were present in this awareness programme. Guests from the said organization came to the College and delivered their talk on road safety. The lecture was interactive and enriched the volunteers who can train the others.

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