



NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME



A Report on 7 Day Special NSS Camp (2024-25)

Social Service at DEI – Guiding Principle

‘Not Me but You’

Nation Building through

Service to

The Last, the Least, the Lowest and the Lost

Dayalbagh Educational Institute (Deemed to be University)

State: Uttar Pradesh

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- **Title:** NSS Camp Report
- **Name of the Institution:** Dayalbagh Educational Institute (Deemed to be University)
- **Dates of the Camp:** 14th to 24th December 2024
- **Location of the Camp:** Neighboring Villages of Dayalbagh Educational Institute
(Deemed to be University)
- **NSS Coordinator and Program Officers:** Dr. Suneshwar Prasad & 35 POs
(list of program officers is given on the next page)
- **Date of Submission:** 31st December 2024

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Introduction

The Dayalbagh Educational Institute (DEI) has been a pioneer in implementing the National Service Scheme (NSS) in Uttar Pradesh since its very inception. Social service forms an integral component (under Rural Development) of DEI's innovative undergraduate education program, which seamlessly integrates academic excellence with social responsibility under its Rural Development initiative.

The vibrant and disciplined community life at Dayalbagh, supported by its diverse infrastructure in agriculture, education, and industry fosters meaningful social work in nearby villages.

Starting in 1981 with only two units of 100 students each and two project officers NSS has now expanded to 3500 students, 35 Program Officers and a Program Coordinator. Through collaborative faculty efforts, the Institute has significantly advanced NSS and Rural Development. NSS camp participation is mandatory for all first-semester students.

Overview of the Camp:

This year the National Service Scheme (NSS) camp was organized by Dayalbagh Educational Institute (DEI- deemed to be university) from 14th to 24th December 2024. It aimed to instill a sense of community service and social responsibility among students. The focus of the camp revolved around practical contributions to sanitation, education, environmental conservation, cultural enrichment and awareness of government schemes. These activities reflect the core values of NSS to engage youth in constructive societal development

Objectives of the Camp

The National Service Scheme (NSS) aims to nurture students' personalities through active engagement in community service. To achieve this objective, student volunteers and program coordinators participate in various constructive and impactful initiatives. These include awareness campaigns, voluntary work (shramdaan), promoting social reforms, fostering communal harmony, building community assets, providing relief during emergencies, organizing blood donation drives, environmental conservation, literacy promotion, and health education campaigns. Each volunteer is required to dedicate 240 hours to community service over a two-year period, contributing meaningfully to both the personal development and societal progress.

Location

The camp was held across multiple locations in and around rural areas of Dayalbagh Agra, including villages and community centers. The camp was conducted across 21 distinct sites and thoughtfully selected to cater to the diverse objectives and activities planned, ensuring meaningful engagement and a broad community impact. Sites like Basera, Nagla Boori, Nagla Talfi Yamuna river bank, Nagar Panchayat, Dairy and others were chosen for their relevance to the camp's objectives. Basera served as the site for environmental conservation initiatives, while Nagla Talfi was chosen as a site for river cleanliness. These locations were strategically selected to address specific community needs and amplify the impact of the camp's activities. The rural and semi-urban settings provided a meaningful backdrop for participants to understand and tackle grassroot issues. The NSS activities organized in local villages went a long way on fostering a sense of understanding and mutual exchange thereby enhancing the relationship between students and the community.

Significance of the Camp

The camp served as a holistic platform for participants to contribute meaningfully to society while gaining valuable life experiences. Activities such as cleaning roads, waste management, and health awareness drives emphasized the importance of sanitation and hygiene in daily life. The interaction with local residents during these tasks provided participants with insights into real-life challenges, broadening their perspectives. Environmental conservation efforts, such as tree plantation and awareness campaigns, reinforced the need for sustainable practices. Moreover, the educational sessions highlighted critical issues like women empowerment, cyber safety, and civic duties; thereby preparing students to address contemporary societal concerns.

By integrating community service with cultural and educational programs, the NSS camp bridged diverse fields, encouraging students to become well-rounded individuals. The rural setting of Dayalbagh allowed participants to experience grass root realities and develop practical solutions, fulfilling the NSS's goal of nurturing students to become responsible and resourceful citizens.

Camp Activities

The seven-day special NSS camp was organized from 14th to 24th December 2024 at 21 different sites by involving 3500 NSS student volunteers and 35 program officers and other helpers.

The daily schedule for the NSS camp began with prayers, attendance, and work allocation. The prayer was followed by the university song and NSS song – “*Utho samaj ke liye utho utho ...*” and slogans instilled students with confidence and motivation to begin the work. Students engaged in social service at designated sites. After the lunch break, sessions were dedicated to special lectures, awareness programs on government schemes and cultural competitions.

S. No	Activities
1.	Prayer, Attendance & allocation of work
2.	Social Service on site
3.	Break
4.	Special lectures / Awareness programs for Govt. Schemes and cultural competitions

The NSS camp was conducted for seven days for each faculty. So the NSS Camp activities ranged from December 14th to 24th December 2024.

SCHEDULE OF CAMP DATE NSS UNIT WISE

NSS Unit	CAMP DATES
A1 to A6	17-12-24 TO 23-12-24
C7 to C10	14-12-24 TO 20-12-24
E27 to E35	18-12-24 TO 24-12-24
SS21 to SS26	17-12-24 TO 23-12-24
S11 to S20	19-12-24 TO 24-12-24

The following activities were conducted by DEI students during the NSS camp:

1. Cleaning Drives:

- Cleaning community areas, roads, and public spaces.



2. Environmental Conservation:

- Gardening activities were done
- Waste management initiatives to promote eco-friendly practices.



3. Social Awareness Programs:

- Sessions on traffic and road safety, cyber security and voting awareness.
- Women empowerment and gender sensitization workshops.



4. Health and Hygiene Campaigns:

- Awareness sessions on personal and public health.
- Promoting hygiene practices in rural and urban settings through street plays.



5. Cultural Activities:

- Indian and Western vocal music competitions.
- Skit and mime performances focused on social issues.
- Instrumental music and mono-acting events.
- Poster making competition
- Speech competition



6. Community Support:

- Agricultural support and educational assistance at selected rural sites.
- Collaboration with the Saran Ashram Hospital for health-related services.



7. Site-Specific Contributions:

- Food preparation assistance at specific locations.
- Yamuna cleaning drive at Nagla Talfi, Yamuna river bank.
- Waste segregation and management at Nagar Panchayat, Dayalbagh





These activities reflect the holistic approach of the NSS camp, addressing social, environmental, and cultural aspects while fostering community engagement.

FOOD PREPARATION

During the 7-day NSS camp, meal preparation became a vital task to serve 3500 students, 35 program officers and additional staff. Students along with their mentors and helpers, eagerly took the responsibility of preparing the meals. Guided by the program officers, the students took the initiative to cook the food themselves, with a new menu every day. The girls rolled out puris and cut vegetables, while the boys along with helpers cooked the food. Students also volunteered to serve the food and the menu was decided collaboratively by the students and their mentors. The food included dal, vegetables, puris, and sweets like halwa and kheer. The in-house food preparation reduced costs, ensured better cost efficiency and maintained hygiene standards under careful supervision. Beyond saving time and resources, the experience taught students valuable life skills such as teamwork, coordination, and time management. Most importantly, the students thoroughly enjoyed the process, learning to make food and take responsibility, making the entire experience a rewarding and educational one.



It is evident from these images that the Camp initiative successfully accomplished daily cleaning drives, tree plantation, health awareness workshops, educational sessions, and cultural programs. Specialized workshops on skill development, health camps, and awareness programs were conducted. Community engagement was emphasized through feedback sessions and active participation, fostering collaboration and strengthening the bond between villagers and organizers.

Lectures Organized during 7 day NSS Camp:

1. “Safety of Females and Stress Management” – Dr Kamna Dhawan, Faculty, Baikunthi Devi girls degree college.
2. “Cyber Awareness” By Mr Akhilesh Mittal, Cyber Enthusiastic
3. “Goal Setting Through Journey of Life” – Mr. Kunal Gupta
4. “Effective Waste Management- Segregating Dry and Wet waste”- Mrs Gurpyari Mehra- chairperson Nagar Panchayat, Agra
5. “Cyber Security, Financial Planning and Investment” – Mr. Parag Gautam, Certified financial analyst.



Workshops Organized:

- “Stress Ke Aage Jeet Hai” – Mrs. Kratika Khanna
- “Health and Hygiene” – Dr. Falkia Samar
- “Mann ki Udaan” – Mrs. Rakhi Gupta, Life Coach



PROBLEMS IDENTIFIED IN ADOPTED VILLAGES DURING SURVEY:

The National Service Scheme (NSS) unit of Dayalbagh Educational Institute (DEI) has been actively involved in addressing various issues in villages and slums near Dayalbagh, Agra. Through their initiatives, they have identified and worked on several key issues/areas. Some of them are listed below:

1. Inadequate sanitation and waterborne diseases
2. Lack of hygiene
3. Improper waste
4. Contaminated water
5. Malnutrition

6. Gender inequality
7. Lack of Literacy
8. Lack of teachers
9. Financial constraints
10. Cultural barriers
11. Gender violence
12. Women's empowerment
13. Low literacy
14. Traditional beliefs

Social Impact and Outcomes:

The camp brought immediate benefits, including enhanced sanitation, raised awareness, and valuable skills for sustainable living. Long-term, it promises lasting change through education, healthier practices, and environmental conservation. Despite challenges like limited resources and resistance, the community's resilience ensures progress. Together, we can build a stronger and healthier rural community for a better future.

HOW MUCH TARGET HAS BEEN ACHIEVED THROUGH NSS TO HELP AND SUPPORT ADOPTED VILLAGES

The rural and semi-urban settings provided a meaningful backdrop for participants to understand and tackle grass root issues. The engagement in local villages fostered a mutual exchange of knowledge and effort, enhancing the relationship between students and the community.

The NSS (National Service Scheme) at Dayalbagh Educational Institute (DEI) has made significant strides in helping adopted villages. Through initiatives in education, health, sanitation, and skill development, substantial targets have been achieved. Villagers have benefited from improved literacy, better healthcare access, enhanced hygiene, and sustainable livelihoods, fostering long-term self-reliance. The NSS initiative at DEI has surpassed its targets in the adopted villages. Over 3,500 volunteers engaged in diverse activities, improving health, hygiene, education, and infrastructure. Achievements include enhanced sanitation, skill training, environmental awareness, and social initiatives like "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao." This extraordinary effort has deeply impacted village development and empowerment.

Student Feedback:

We gathered feedback from students to give a complete picture of the NSS camp. Their thoughts and reflections highlight the activities, challenges and what they learned; showing how the camp helped

them grow personally, help in taking social responsibility and connect better with the community. Some of the key takeaways include:

- Teamwork and collaboration
- Time management
- Leadership and initiative
- Communication skills
- Responsibility and accountability
- Problem-solving
- Planning and execution
- Empathy and social awareness
- Self-discipline
- Community engagement
- Cooking was a novel experience and it was enjoyable

Selected student feedback (In the words of students):

- एनएसएस कैंप ने हमें सामाजिक जिम्मेदारी और सामुदायिक सेवा का महत्व सिखाया। नगर पंचायत के साथ मिलकर स्वच्छता अभियान चलाया, रैली निकाली, और पेंटिंग से जागरूकता फैलाई। टीमवर्क और पर्यावरण संरक्षण के प्रयासों ने हमें समाज में सकारात्मक बदलाव लाने की प्रेरणा दी। यह अनुभव हमारी यादों में अनमोल रहेगा।- एनएसएस शिविर NSS Unit 24 की छात्रा: साक्षी दुबे.
- "The secret of success is constancy to purpose." Our NSS camp began with inspiring words from Dr. Guru Pyari Mehra, Chairperson Nagar Panchayat, Dayalbagh- motivating us to serve with dedication. Through rallies, skits and environmental initiatives promoting social awareness and the importance of hygiene we gained valuable life skills like teamwork, leadership and compassion. Dr. Mehra's (chairperson Nagar Panchayat) thoughtful gesture of gifting steel glasses symbolized our collective effort. This transformative journey bonded us as a family and taught us lessons for life. - Yashasvi Mittal, NSS volunteer , DEI
