

Report on inauguration of NSS programme

“Service to man, is service to God”.

- Swami Vivekananda

Introduction

National Service Scheme [NSS] Was introduced in 1969 with the primary objective of developing the personality and character of student youth through voluntary community services. ‘Education through service’ is the purpose of NSS. The ideological orientation of the NSS is inspired by the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi very appropriately the motor of NSS is-

“Not me, but you”

volunteer places the community before self. the responsibility of hosting the inauguration of NSS 2023 programme in Holy Cross college was decided to be handled by the collaboration of **NSS unit** and **Department of Teacher Education**. and it was decided to be held at 16th of January 2023.

Preparation:

“Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I'll spend my first hour sharpening the axe”.

- Abraham Lincoln

Preparation and planning are the most important step towards a successful outcome. as we got the announcement for the programme at 9th of January 2023, we had only seven days left to prepare for it. And from those seven days, we had a holiday for National Youth Day, a Saturday and Sunday. So technically we had only four days to prepare. So, we started the planning immediately. the plans were prepared for the day and a layout was set with dance performances, singing performances, speeches and presentations. the theme of the programme was decided to be- *“Freedom from drug addiction”*. This decision was taken in light of increasing addiction issues in the youth of Tripura and to show the right path the youth as well as the other people.

Day 1:

This was the day of announcement. Immediately the responsibilities were set, duties were divided, and performances were confirmed. 4 volunteers from our semester virtues and to participate in active NSS programmes:

1. Suma Debbarma
2. Petrus Khongiong
3. Jushi Kaipeng
4. Lalnunfela Darlong.

Other six volunteers were selected from the first semester. the anchors for the day of the event were chosen. it was Sourav Debnath and Suma Debbarma. drops were made for the songs for the dances and the songs to be sung.

Day 2:

Today the practise has started at full gear. after our method classes, we actively participated or helped in practises and preparations. The script for the anchoring were being planned and scrutinised.



Day 3:

In this day, after the classes were finished, everyone involved in the practise just like the day before. the lunch break was from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM. today the draught for the script of anchoring was ready and rectified by Poushali Ma'am.



Day 5:

As the day four was a holiday, so day five was the last day of preparation; because the coming two days were Saturday and Sunday. The internal examination for the third semester students were held today at 8:30 AM. The exam ended at 9:45 AM. after that there was no other classes for the day. Because it was the annual sports day. So, we took the liberty of time and had a good productive day of practice. Sourav Debnath And Rosy Jamatia was appointed to buy gifts and badges for the dignitaries. They went to the inner city and brought the gifts. Also the anchoring script was finalised and printed.

After the finishing of the college timing, Sourav Debnath and Sarbajit Ray Where is sent to Agartala Government Medical College to deliver an invitation to Dr. Priyajyoti Chakma to be the keynote speaker of the day of programme. The two special guests were-

- **Chief Guest:** Mr. Sukanta Sarkar, Program Officer of NSS, Sepahijela [National Nss Awardee].
- **Keynote Speaker:** Dr. Priyajyoti Chakma, Asst. Prof., Department of Psychiatry, Agartala Government Medical College.

Chief Guest:

Mr. Sukanta Sarkar
 Program Officer of NSS, Sepahijala, Tripura
 National NSS Awardee
 Spoken on:
'Duty of NSS Volunteers, youth towards the nation and environment'.

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Priyajyoti Chakma.
 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry,
 Agartala Government Medical College
 Spoken on:
'Freedom from drug addiction'.

With these four days of preparation and planning we were now ready to take on the programme on 16th of January 2023 [Monday].

Execution:

On the day of event, we reached at Durjoynagar campus at 9:00 AM. The morning assembly was held just like every day. At 9:30 AM the bus came to pick all of us up for the programme. It took nearly 25 minutes to reach the main campus at around 10:00 AM.



There we interacted with the NSS volunteers of main campus, sorted out the planning and other minute details about the programme. These were made by the NSS volunteers, banner swear hang on the walls, the stage was prepared, the machines and technologies were checked and prepared properly before everything started.



And then we waited for the dignitaries to arrive. we started the programme as soon as the dignitaries arrived and took their seats in the front row.



it started with lighting of the holy fire with the tunes of “Aguner Poroshmoni” a Rabindrasangeet dedicated to it the purity and emembrance of fire Who just followed by a prayer dance that was performed by Debjani and her group.

then there was introductory speech by our principal Rev.

Fr. Dr. Benny K. John CSC, Followed by a group song by for semester students of department of teacher education.



Then the chief guest Mr. Sukanta Sarkar was called on stage to share his thoughts. it was followed by an amazing folk dance routine by Magdalene and her group.

At the end there was speech/presentation by keynote speaker Dr. Priyajyoti Chakma. On the theme of 'Freedom from drug addiction'. it was followed by a vote of thanks by Suryava Sarkar. And the programme ended with the national anthem.

Conclusion:

“Lessons in life will be repeated until they are learned”.

- Shannon El Adler.

We learnt how important is planning and preparation any event. We practised and planned until it was near perfect which resulted in a grand success at the event. Speech from the chief guest taught us the purpose and duties of youth. We learnt how to choose the right path and stay away from addiction from the speech end presentation by our keynote speaker. At the end it was a success and it taught us lot of great values.