



<u>NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS)</u> Orientation session for June 26th Event (International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking)

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Venue: C-304, 2nd floor, Academic Block – III School Of Computing, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore.

Subject: International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

Team NSS of Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore organized an orientation meeting for students who registered for the upcoming event titled *"Bridging the Gap: Law, Mental Health, and Society against Narcotics"*. The meeting aimed to guide the volunteers and prepare for the smooth running of the event.

The United Nations marks June 26 as the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking. Supporting this, the Government of India runs a campaign called "नशा मुक्त भारत" (Drug-Free India) from June 12 to 26, encouraging public awareness and participation to fight drug abuse while motivating student engagement in building a safer and more compassionate society.



The event was honoured by the presence of **Dr. D. Venkataraman**, the NSS Program Coordinator, who delivered opening remarks and encouraged the volunteers to lead with responsibility and purpose. His guidance set an inspiring tone for the program. The occasion was further uplifted by the dedicated efforts of NSS volunteers, whose commitment and enthusiasm played a vital role in the successful execution of the event. The event commenced on a serene note with a **prayer song** beautifully performed by Aiswarya CA, creating a peaceful and positive atmosphere.

Pledge Against Drug Abuse

All participants took a **collective e-pledge**, not only to say no to drugs but also to actively stand against drug abuse. The pledge was led Sabaresh R, Integrated MSc Data science and by Dr. D. Venkataraman, Department of Computer Science and engineering emphasized the responsibility of students, as citizens and future leaders, to support and guide those struggling with addiction and work toward a healthier society.



We realize that drug abuse is increasing in our country, especially among the youth and this is a matter of concern. We pledge that we will cooperate in stopping the drug abuse. We promise that we will not consume any harmful or illegal drugs in any way for any purpose. We will create awareness about the ill effects of drug abuse by encouraging every person, especially the youth so that the youth of India can live drug free and they can become creative and important members of the society.

Today we pledge that we will stay away from drugs and live a healthy life.

The meeting concluded with final words from **Dr. Venkataraman**, who appreciated the hard work of the organizing team and emphasized the need for **continued collaboration and independent activity** by all NSS units. He encouraged all members to remain active and committed to service beyond this single event.

Outcomes

- Instilled a strong sense of social responsibility among the youth
- Reinforced the importance of health, dignity, and community well-being
- Raised awareness about the harmful effects of drug abuse among peers
- Encouraged student involvement in helping individuals overcome addiction

Conclusion

 The orientation and awareness event were a meaningful step in promoting a drug-free society. It successfully brought students together under a common cause and motivated them to become active changemakers within their communities. The participation and unity displayed by all NSS units reflect the strength of collective action in addressing important social issues.