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-- Mata Amritanandamayi Devi

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ABOUT AMRITA UDAAN

Amrita Udaan is the monthly newsletter of the Dept. of Social Work. It is completely managed by the students under the guidance of the Faculty. It mainly covers the departmental activities, articles on various social issues, book review, movie review, drawings, posters, alumni interviews, guidance and solved previous year question papers of UGC-NET. The contents are contributed mainly by the students, alumni and faculty members. It is successfully publishing every month since October 2019.

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DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

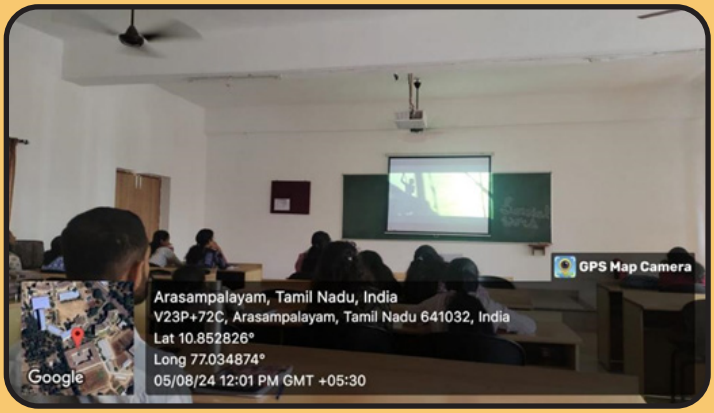
WELCOME DR. PRASATH SELVARAJ, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, TO DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK, AMRITA VISHWA VIDYAPEETHAM, COIMBATORE.

The Department of Social Work of Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore heartily welcomes Dr. Prasath Selvaraj as the new Assistant Professor to our team. Dr. Prasath Selvaraj joins us as a distinguished member of our faculty, bringing a wealth of experience and expertise in the field of social work. Dr. Prasath Selvaraj holds a Bachelor's degree in Physics and earned a Masters degree in Social Work from PSG College of Arts and Science under Bharathiar University. His academic journey continued and culminated in a PhD from Pondicherry Central University. He has got a notable Volunteering, training and teaching expertise in his career including institutions like Avanti fellows, Greenpeace India etc. Dr. Prasath has also got several research articles published in his name. He has also got several research papers presented at renowned institutes in India. With immense pleasure and happiness, the team UDAAN and the entire Department of Social Work hereby extends a hearty welcome to Assistant Professor Dr. Prasath Selvaraj.

BANUPRIYA,
(I MSW)

MOVIE SCREENED FOR CHILD RIGHTS AND CHILD PROTECTION STUDENTS

A movie screening was organized for the second MSW students specialized in Child Rights and Child Protection on August 05, 2024. Blood Diamond, the 2006 movie was screened in the classroom which talks about the blood diamonds in the African war zone which are aimed by several groups to be sold around the world. The film moves through the life of Solomon Vandy, a Mende fisherman from Shenge and how he is entangled in the quest for blood diamonds. The movie predominantly talks about the issue of child soldiers where Vandy's son Dia moves to the rebellious gang of RUF. The trauma and mental state of child soldiers and the struggle to rehabilitate them to the society is also portrayed in the film.



The movie – Blood Diamond being screened in the CRCP class

ANUPAMA RAJAN
(I MSW)

EXPERT TALK ORGANIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

The Department of Social Work at Coimbatore organized an expert talk titled "Expanding boundaries: International education and career paths for social workers" on August 07, 2024 at 2 pm online. The resource person for the session was Mr. Albin Anthony, the alumnus of the social work department from the MSW batch of 2016-2018. He is currently working as a registered social worker in Dublin, Ireland. The session was attended by the faculties of department of social work and second year MSW students. Mr. Albin gave insights into the career opportunities abroad as a social worker and also about the migration process abroad as a student. The requirements and the process for the same was well explained through the session. Overall, it was an opportunity to learn more and indeed expand the boundaries in the career. There was also a doubt clearing session at the end where the students could interact with the resource person which was beneficial as well.

Students attending the Online session

ANUPAMA RAJAN
(I MSW)

INDEPENDENCE DAY PROGRAM AT THE CAMPUS

The 78th independence day celebration was held at the Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences, Arasampalayam on August 15,2024. The event commenced with the hoisting of the national flag by Dr. Sudheesh Manalil, Dean – Faculty of Agriculture at 8:00 a.m. in the main block of the campus. The celebration was graced by the presence of Dr. P Rangasami, Vice Principal and Chairperson of Department of Social Work, Coimbatore, Mr. Vijay Narayanan, General Manager of the campus along with the students of schools of agriculture, architecture, SSBS and other faculty members from various departments. After the flag hoisting and an address by Dr. Sudheesh Manalil, the event was concluded with a formal vote of thanks and national anthem.

Dr. Sudheesh Manalil addressing the crowd on 78th independence

The students and faculties of SSBS who attended the program

RAKHI R N,
(I MSW)

THE SECOND YEAR STUDENTS SPECIALIZED IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ATTENDING THE GRAMA SABHA MEETINGS OF THREE PANCHAYATS

The second year MSW students specialized in Community Development attended the Grama Sabha meetings in Palathurai, Mavuthampathy and Pichanur panchayats of Coimbatore on the 78th Independence Day celebrated on August 15th, 2024. The team attended the Grama Sabha meeting included Dr. S. Kanagaraj, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work who also talked about the village panchayat development plan and Community Development Specialization students. They attended the Grama Sabha meeting at Palathurai panchayat first under the leadership of Mrs. S. Maheshwari and secondly, they attended the Gram Sabha meeting in Pichanur Panchayat. The meeting was under the Panchayat President of Pichanur under the leadership of P. Maruthachalam, M.G.R Colony. It was held in common building of MGR colony village and finally the team attended the Grama Sabha meeting at Mavuthampathy Panchayat. The meeting was held under the guidance of the president Mrs. Gomathi Senthilkumar, at Panchayat Union Primary School.

The students along with the faculty attending the grama sabha meetings

BANUPRIYA,
(I MSW)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK AT COIMBATORE HAPPILY JOINING THE KARKAI NANDRE PROGRAM

Glimpses of the event at Amrita

The Department of Social Work at Coimbatore joins hands with the Karkai Nandre initiative by the government in partnership with the ANT foundation and charitable trust of Coimbatore. The name of the initiative comes from a Tamil poem Karkai nandre karkai nandre pichai pukinum karkai nandre meaning "even if one is begging, it is better to get educated". This serves as the base of this program which is focused on counseling and providing guidance to school children in order to stop discontinuing or hindering their education at any cost. Several middle schools, high schools and higher secondary schools in Coimbatore are focused and children are given counseling and assistance by the volunteers through this program. A total of five schools are allotted to Amrita where the program is to be initiated through a resource person, student in charge and other student volunteers of the department. Karkai Nandre is a government initiative in collaboration with the ANT (Achieve and Thrive) foundation and charitable trust, Coimbatore. The project is implemented in three phases where the first one is a general counseling followed by 4 to 8 hours of individual or group counseling at schools and then the documentation and other procedures. The project was introduced to the students of second MSW and PhD scholars along with the faculties Dr. V. Priya and Dr. Prasath Selvaraj at Corporation Girls Higher Secondary School, R S Puram, Coimbatore on August 17, 2024 and a general introduction all the students and faculties of School of Social and Behavioural Sciences was given on August 23, 2024 when Mrs. Lata Sundaram from ANT visited Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Arasampalyam.

ANUPAMA RAJAN
(I MSW)

DEEKSHARAMBH 2024

The student induction program by the School of Social and Behavioural Sciences for welcoming the new batches of MSW, BSW and PG Diploma in Counseling Psychology was organized on August 19, 2024 at the Farmer's training hall of B block at Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences, Arasampalayam. The program began with a Saraswathi pooja and homam at the portico of the School of Architecture block following which a formal inauguration was arranged. The event had the presence of Dr. Sasangan Ramanathan, Dean – Faculty of Engineering, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore, Dr. Sudheesh Manalil, Dean- Faculty of Agriculture, Dr. A. Shakuntala, Principal, School of Architecture, Shri. Sreevalsan M, Director, Information & Communication Technology Services, Mr. Vijay Narayanan, GM-Campus Development & Administration, Arasampalayam and Mr. Ajiraj C.A Centre Head – (Corporate & Industry Relations) Manager – (Learning & Development) Arasampalayam as dignitaries along with the faculties of the department, students and parents. Deeksharambh officially marks the new beginning for the 18th batch of MSW (2024-'26) and first batches of BSW (2024-'28) and PG Diploma in Counseling Psychology 2024. It had the agenda of introducing the campus, facilities and the programs to the students of the new batch and the visionary ahead.

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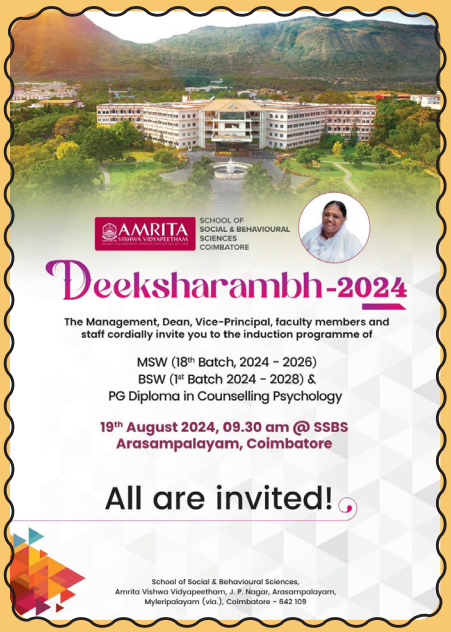

Agenda

Saraswathi Pooja & Homam — 07.30am onwards

Programme – 09.00 am onwards

Prayer	II MSW
Welcome address	Dr. P.Rangasami Vice Principal & Chairperson
Introduction to Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham	Prof. C. Parameswaran Principal Director
Introduction to SSBS	Prof. Bhavani Rao R. Dean, Schools of Social & Behavioral Sciences
Special address	Dr. Sasangan Ramanathan Dean-Engineering
Felicitation address	Dr Sudheesh Manalil Dean – Faculty of Agriculture
Felicitation address	Dr.A.Sakuntala Director – School of Architecture Arasampalayam
Felicitation address	Mr. Vijay Narayanan, GM-Campus Development & Administration, Arasampalayam
Introduction of New Programmes BSW PGDCP	Dr. C.Raneesh Assistant Professor Dr.Rajalakshmi S.A. Assistant Professor
Introduction to Amrita-E-governance app and ICTS	Shri. Sreevalsan M Director, Information & Communication Technology Services
Career opportunities at Amrita	Ajiraj C.A Centre Head – (Corporate & Industry Relations) Manager – (Learning & Development) Arasampalayam
Vote of thanks	Dr.S.Kanagaraj Assistant Professor Class advisor (2024 – 2026 batch)

I MSW, I BSW, PGDCP- Deeksharambh Students Induction Programme (SIP) of 18th Batch 2024-2026

DAY-1
19.08.2024 (Monday)

Slot	Content	Facilitated by
09:00 am - 12:30 pm	Orientation programme, I MSW, I BSW, PGDCP	All faculty & Staff
2:30 pm – 4:30 pm	Free	Settling at hostel and campus

DAY-2,3,4 (20th-Tuesday, 21st - Wednesday, 22nd - Thursday)

09:00 am - 04:30 pm	Street Theatre	Kalaimamani Dr.Palaniya Pillai and team, Nagarcoil, K.K District.
09:00 am - 04:30 pm	Folk Song and Dance	
09:00 am - 12:30 pm	Mime	
02:00 pm - 04:30 pm	Presentation	

DAY-5 (23.08.2024 , Friday)

09:00 am - 12:30 pm	Visit to Isha Yoga centre	Dr. S. Kanagaraj (Asst.Professor) & two more faculty members

Deeksharambh 2024
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ANUPAMA RAJAN
(I MSW)

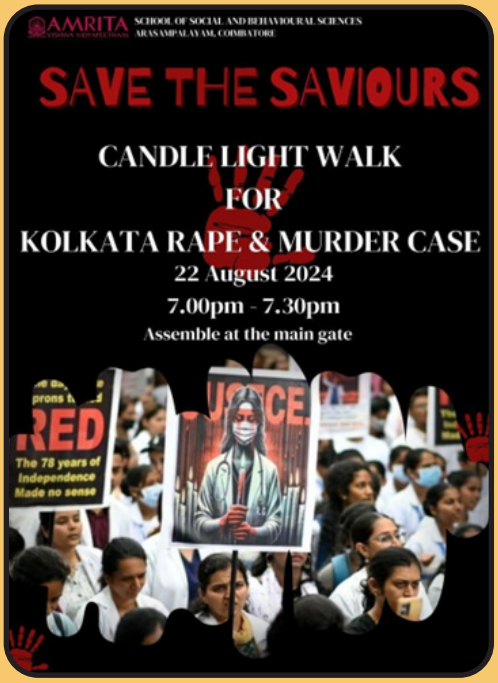
FOLK ARTS WORKSHOP ORGANIZED FOR THE FIRST YEAR STUDENTS OF SSBS

The first-year BSW, MSW, and PG Diploma students had a three-day workshop on folk arts led by Kalaimamani Dr. Pazhaniapillai and team on August 20, 21 and 22. The three day workshop ended with a lively exhibition of the folk arts, including Street Theatre, Mime, Skit, Thappattam, Oyilattam, Karakattam and Kolattam. Trained by skilled facilitators, the students captivated the audience of academics and students from all departments with their excitement and energy as they demonstrated their newly acquired talents. The occasion served as a tribute to the ability of folk arts to unite people and encourage individuality and creativity. In order to lift the students' spirits and motivate them to keep exploring these age-old artistic techniques, the trainers gave presents to the students as a thank you for their commitment and knowledge.

MEDHA S MENON
(I MSW)

"SAVE THE SAVIOURS" - SOLIDARITY CANDLE LIGHT MARCH

The Social Work Students of Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore organized a poignant Solidarity Candle Light Walk on August 22, 2024 at 7 pm in the campus to express collective grief and concern over the R.G. Kar Rape and Murder Tragedy at Kolkata, emphasizing the need to protect women's safety, dignity, and mental health. The event, held with the support of Dr. P. Rangasami, Chairperson of Department, Dr. Prasath Selvaraj, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work and faculty members saw an enthusiastic participation from students of Social Work, Psychology, Agriculture, and Architecture programs. The walk served as a powerful statement of unity and solidarity, providing an outlet for emotions and reaffirming commitment to creating a safer and more equitable society. The organizers extend heartfelt thanks to all participants and supporters, acknowledging the collective effort in amplifying this critical cause.



Candle light march

MEDHA S MENON
(I MSW)

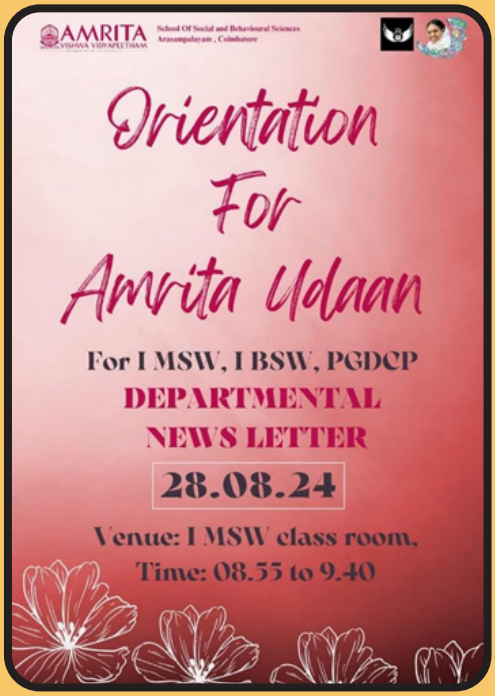
GOKULASHTAMI CELEBRATIONS 2024

Gokulashtami 2024 has been a unique and enriching experience for the MSW department. This year, the celebration was distinguished by an exciting collaboration with the school of Physical Sciences and English departments, bringing together diverse talents and perspectives. A significant highlight of the event was the enthusiastic participation of the second MSW students, who played a crucial role in the preparations. These students volunteered their time and effort in crafting beautiful hangings and decorations that adorned the campus, adding a festive and vibrant touch to the celebration. This year, the theme of the procession was "Kurukshetra," symbolizing the epic battle from the Mahabharata, a story that resonates deeply with the values of duty, righteousness, and the eternal struggle between good and evil. The MSW students, alongside their peers from the Physical Sciences and English departments, worked tirelessly to bring this theme to life. Beyond their contributions to the procession, the students from the MSW department also actively participated in various games and activities organized as part of the Gokulashtami celebration. The collaboration with other departments and the active participation of students in all aspects of the Gokulashtami celebrations made this year's event a memorable and meaningful experience for the MSW department.

BANUPRIYA,
(I MSW)

HEARTY WELCOME TO THE UDAAN JUNIOR TEAM

The orientation for Amrita Udaan junior team was organized on August 28, 2024 in the first year MSW classroom at 8.55 am. The main purpose of this session was to introduce the students of first MSW, first BSW and PG Diploma in Counseling Psychology to the departmental newsletter Amrita Udaan, its activities and the way this initiative is coordinated. The second year MSW team of Udaan were present for the session and all the allotted heads of various wings of Udaan including editing, designing, departmental activities, content creators and student's corner introduced their activities, duties and functioning to the students under the guidance of the faculty chief editor Dr. S. Kanagaraj. This serves as the base for carrying on this great initiative by the Department of Social Work ahead. The department and the current team heartily welcome the junior team to the umbrella of Amrita Udaan.



The faculty chief editor of Amrita Udaan, Dr. S. Kanagaraj orienting the students

ANUPAMA RAJAN
(I MSW)

CONGRATULATIONS TO MEDHA. S. MENON OF SECOND YEAR MSW FOR BEING SELECTED AS AN INTERN OF TEACH FOR INDIA

TEACHFORINDIA

The School of Social and Behavioural Sciences, Coimbatore is delighted to announce that Medha S Menon from second year MSW, has been selected as a Campus Ambassador Intern for Teach For India. This prestigious opportunity recognizes her dedication, leadership skills, and commitment to making a difference in the field of education.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Medha for this remarkable accomplishment. Her involvement will undoubtedly inspire her peers and further strengthen the partnership between our institution and Teach for India. We look forward to seeing the positive impact she will make through this role.

Congratulations Medha and best wishes for your journey ahead with Teach For India.

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RAKHI R N,
(I MSW)

VISIT TO VIDYA VANAM SR SECONDARY SCHOOL, ANAIKATTI BY SECOND YEAR MSW STUDENTS

The second year MSW students attended the event titled "Svanubhava" organized by the Vidya Vanam Senior Secondary School at Anaikatti on August 29, 2024. The students were accompanied by faculties of the department and chairperson Dr. P. Rangasami. The event at Anaikatti was a platform to showcase the talents of various artists across places. It started with the performance of Sama Choir group from Kottayam followed by the puppet show by students and a Bengali traditional folk art by experts. After these programs, an Irula walk was also organized for the second year students. The session also had the presence of various school students in and around Coimbatore.

ANUPAMA RAJAN
(I MSW)

MEETING WITH HONORABLE CENTRAL MINISTER

Dr.P.Rangasami, Vice Principal & Chairperson, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham met Dr. L. Murugan Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting of India on 21.06.2024. He discussed about the programmes of our department and possible colloborations in the future.

ANUPAMA RAJAN
(I MSW)

Alumni Experience from the field

Teaching has always been my dream, and I am incredibly grateful to be part of Teach for India. I'm deeply grateful for the chance to make a real difference in students' lives, and this journey has brought a profound sense of fulfillment and purpose that I've always longed for

Teach for India is more than an initiative; it's a powerful movement towards educational equity in India. It creates a ripple effect of change, bringing hope and opportunity to students who might otherwise be overlooked.

My time with Teach for India has been nothing short of transformative. Every day, I've seen the spark of curiosity in students' eyes and felt their enthusiasm for learning. It's been deeply moving to be part of their journey, and it's changed me in ways I hadn't anticipated. This experience has not only nurtured my teaching skills but also reinforced my belief in the profound impact that compassion, dedication, and education can have on individuals and communities.

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STUDENTS' CORNER

FAMOUS SOCIAL WORKER

IDA B. WELLS (1862-1931)

Ida B. Wells, a pioneering social worker and journalist, is celebrated for her tireless advocacy for racial and gender equality. Born into slavery on July 16, 1862, in Holly Springs, Mississippi, Wells emerged from a life of hardship to become a formidable force for social justice. Her parents, political activists themselves, imbued her with a strong sense of purpose and activism. After the tragic death of her parents from yellow fever when she was just 16, Wells assumed the responsibility of supporting her younger siblings, becoming a teacher to provide for them. Despite facing numerous obstacles, including expulsion from college for her outspoken views, Wells's resolve only strengthened. She moved to Memphis, Tennessee, to attend Fisk University and soon began collaborating with prominent reformers such as W.E.B. Du Bois, Frederick Douglass, and Mary Church Terrell. Her early career as a journalist saw her documenting and condemning the brutal practice of lynching, which was often portrayed as a form of racial retribution rather than justice. Her groundbreaking pamphlets, "Southern Horrors: Lynch Law in All Its Phases" and "The Red Record: Tabulated Statistics and Alleged Causes of Lynching in the United States," were instrumental in shifting the narrative and exposing the systemic racism underpinning these acts of violence. Wells's work extended beyond journalism into the realm of social activism and reform. She co-founded the Alpha Suffrage League, advocating for African-American women's right to vote and challenging the exclusionary practices of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. Her commitment to equality also led to her involvement in the founding of the NAACP and The Negro Fellowship League. Through these organizations, she contributed to the development of modern social work and played a crucial role in supporting African Americans migrating from the South to the North.

Towards the end of her life, Wells focused on urban reform in Chicago, continuing her advocacy until her death from kidney disease in 1931. Her legacy has been preserved and celebrated through numerous awards, including those established by the National Association of Black Journalists, the Medill School of Journalism, and other institutions. The Ida B. Wells Memorial Foundation and the Ida B. Wells Museum, along with the Ida B. Wells-Barnett Museum in her hometown of Holly Springs, serve as testaments to her enduring impact on social justice and African American history. Her life and work continue to inspire new generations of activists and social workers committed to the pursuit of equality and justice.

AMALA B,
(I MSW)

FILM REVIEW

BLOOD DIAMOND

Blood Diamond (2006), directed by Edward Zwick, is a gripping drama that delves into the harrowing world of conflict diamonds in war-torn Sierra Leone during the late 1990s. The movie combines thrilling action sequences with a poignant narrative about the human cost of the diamond trade. The plot follows two central characters: Solomon Vandy (Djimon Hounsou), a fisherman who is forcibly separated from his family and enslaved to mine diamonds, and Danny Archer (Leonardo DiCaprio), a mercenary and diamond smuggler. One of the film's strengths is its intense performances, particularly from Hounsou and DiCaprio. The film does an excellent job of balancing its action elements with its social message. It exposes the brutal realities of the diamond industry, from child soldiers to exploitation, and how Western consumerism contributes to the atrocities in Africa. Some critics argue that the movie simplifies complex geopolitical issues and offers a Western-centric view of African conflicts. Blood Diamond is a compelling film that effectively raises awareness about the human toll of conflict diamonds while delivering a powerful and engaging narrative. It's a blend of heart-pounding action and thought-provoking commentary, making it both entertaining and socially conscious.

PARVATHY R R
(I MSW)

SCHEMES AND ACTS

ACTS

THE BORDER SECURITY FORCE ACT, 1968

The Border Security Force Act of 1968 is a crucial piece of legislation that defines the roles, responsibilities, and functioning of the Border Security Force (BSF) in India. As a part of India's Central Armed Police Forces, the BSF is primarily responsible for guarding the country's land borders during peacetime and preventing transnational crimes. The Act specifies the establishment of the BSF, detailing its structure and the manner of appointment for its officers and personnel. This provides a clear organizational framework to ensure that the force operates effectively.

The Act outlines the duties and responsibilities of the BSF, which include safeguarding India's borders, preventing unauthorized entry or exit across the national boundary, and detecting and preventing smuggling and other illegal activities. The BSF plays a vital role in maintaining border security and ensuring that such activities are kept in check. To empower the BSF to perform its duties effectively, the Act grants it certain powers similar to those of the armed forces. These powers include the authority to arrest individuals, conduct searches, and seize items without a warrant in specific situations. The Act also allows the use of force when necessary, thereby equipping the BSF to handle challenging situations that may arise at the border.

Maintaining discipline within the BSF is crucial, and the Act provides a comprehensive code of conduct and disciplinary framework. This framework includes provisions for offenses, penalties, and disciplinary proceedings, ensuring that BSF personnel adhere to high standards of behavior and discipline. The Act establishes BSF Courts to handle legal matters related to the force, providing a structured legal process to address issues and disputes within the BSF. This legal framework is essential for the effective functioning of the BSF, enabling it to fulfill its mandate of securing India's borders.

ANAGHA T B,
(I MSW)

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT SCHEME

SAVITRIBAI JYOTIRAO PHULE FELLOWSHIP FOR SINGLE GIRL CHILD(SJSGC)

- The Savitribai Jyotirao Phule Fellowship for Single Girl Child (SJSGC) is a fellowship scheme initiated by the University Grants Commission (UGC) under the Department of Higher Education. It is designed to support research leading to a Ph.D. degree specifically for single girl children, meaning those who are the only girl child in their family without any brothers or sisters. The scheme also extends eligibility to a girl scholar who is one of twin or fraternal daughters. The number of fellowships awarded each year will be determined based on the number of eligible applications received through an online process.
- The primary objectives of the SJSGC scheme are to support the higher education of single girl children, particularly in the field of Social Sciences, and to promote the observance of the small family norm. It also aims to recognize and propagate the concept of single girl child norm within society, thus encouraging and promoting the education of single girls.
- To be eligible for this fellowship, a candidate must be a single girl child pursuing a Ph.D. in any discipline at a recognized university, college, or institute. The scheme is only applicable to those who are enrolled in a regular, full-time Ph.D. program; part-time or distance education modes are not covered. Furthermore, girl students up to the age of 40 years for the general category, and up to 45 years for reserved categories such as SC/ST/OBC and Persons with Disabilities (PWD), are eligible as of the last date of application submission. Both the scholar and the institution where the Ph.D. is being pursued are responsible for ensuring that the fellowship's terms and conditions are strictly followed and that only eligible candidates receive the fellowship.

AKSHAYA PRAKASH,
(I MSW)

STATE GOVERNMENT SCHEME

CHIEF MINISTER'S COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME

Chief Minister's comprehensive wellbeing protections scheme The Chief Serve Comprehensive Wellbeing Protections Conspire (CMCHIS), propelled on July 23, 2009, points to give quality healthcare to qualified families through both government and private healing centers. Overseen by Joined together India Protections Company from January 2022 to 2027, the plot covers around 1.37 crore families. It incorporates 1090 strategies, 8 follow-up strategies, and 52 demonstrative tests over 800 government and 900 private healing centers. CMCHIS offers cashless hospitalization with scope up to Rs. 5,00,000 per family per year, making a difference to diminish money-related strain while moving forward to healthcare. Benefits The Chief Serve Comprehensive Wellbeing Protections Plot offers vital budgetary back for restorative crises, making a difference families oversee tall healthcare costs without money related strain. It brags a wide organization of clinics, guaranteeing speedy get to treatment indeed in farther zones. The conspiracy covers a wide extent of medicines and gives up to Rs. 5 lakh per family every year, facilitating the burden of healthcare costs. Moreover, it incorporates scope for follow-up medications and demonstrative strategies, advance lessening out-of-pocket costs for beneficiaries.

Eligibility The Chief Minister's Comprehensive Wellbeing Protections Plot is for Tamil Nadu inhabitants who meet particular criteria: their title must be on the family card, and their family's yearly wage must be underneath Rs. 1,20,000. Qualification is confirmed with reports like the family card, Aadhar card, salary certificate, and a self-declaration from the family head. The plot covers the qualified person, their life partner, children, and subordinate guardians, giving them access to quality healthcare administrations without monetary strain. Exclusion Health Protections Conspire prohibits non-residents of Tamil Nadu, people with an salary over Rs. 72,000, those not recorded on the family apportion card, non-Sri Lankan Qualification for the Chief Minister's Comprehensive displaced people without citizenship confirmation, transients missing substantial certificates, and vagrants or protected young ladies not partnered with any organization.

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CURRENT AFFAIRS

July 2024

1. PM Modi to address Third Voice of Global South Summit

Under the subject "An Enabled Worldwide South for a Feasible Future," Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of worldwide inclusivity is encapsulated in the third Voice of Worldwide South Summit (VOGSS), which is being facilitated online by India. Global South countries have a gathering to talk about imperative issues such wars, the vitality and nourishment emergencies, and climate change at this summit. A Leaders' Session and ecclesiastical talks on exchange, youth, wellbeing, vitality, advanced foundation, back, instruction, and climate altar are among the themes secured. VOGSS has worked with more than 120 countries since its establishment in 2023, affecting worldwide dialogues and the G-20 plan while exhibiting India's devotion to creating nations and reinforcing their position in worldwide governance.

2. Germany Joins 18th Part State of Joined together Countries Command in South Korea

As the 18th part of the Joined together Countries Command (UNC), beneath the course of the United States, Germany has joined the association in South Korea, exhibiting its commitment to worldwide security and the interdependency of soundness in Europe and the Indo-Pacific. The UNC, which was built up in 1950 to keep up the peace negotiation amid the Korean War, is driven by the US and is overseen independently from the UN. By advertising important viewpoints and assets, Germany's engagement supports the UNC's capabilities and fits with broader objectives to improve territorial security against dictator dangers. Germany's collaboration has been invited by South Korea, in spite of concerns communicated by China and North Korea, who see Germany's nearness as an expansion of Western dominance in Asia.

3. India, Sri Lanka Deploy K9s in Exercise Mitra Shakti

From August 12 to August 25, 2024, the Army Training School at Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka, will host the 10th Exercise Mitra Shakti, a combined military exercise between India and Sri Lanka. Military canines play a significant part this year. One such dog is Zac, an Indian Army Belgian Malinois. With his training in sophisticated abilities like explosive detection and weapon retrieval, Zac emphasizes the increasing significance of K9s in military endeavors. The goal of the exercise is to improve the two countries' combined counter-insurgency capabilities by simulating terrorist attacks and utilizing advanced surveillance methods and unified command centers.

4. Non-Native Species Threaten Antarctic Marine Ecosystems

The growing threat of non-native species colonizing Antarctica is highlighted by recent studies, which is mostly attributable to increased maritime activities and climate change. There is a serious risk to the delicate Antarctic environment as more ships visit and depart from the area because species from warmer climates may board floating garbage. If these intruders establish themselves, native species which are especially suited to the extreme cold may experience serious problems, particularly as rising temperatures lead to an increase in the amount of ice-free areas. Debris floating in from far-off places like Australia, South Africa, South America, and New Zealand increases the possibility of non-native organisms making it to Antarctica.

5. India Surpasses China As Top Importer of Russian Oil

In July 2024, India surpassed China as the largest importer of Russian oil, driven by a decline in China's profitability from refining, leading them to reduce their purchases. Russian oil constituted 44% of India's total oil imports, with India importing 2.07 million barrels per day, marking a 4.2% increase from June and a 12% rise from July 2022. Meanwhile, China's imports fell to 1.76 million barrels per day. India's surge in imports is attributed to the availability of discounted Russian oil due to Western sanctions imposed after Russia's invasion of Ukraine. This shift has stabilized global oil prices and inflation, with India also increasing its imports of Russian ESPO Blend crude, which was traditionally destined for China. Additionally, India's oil imports from the Middle East rose by 4%, with Iraq, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE becoming key suppliers.

6. New Blood Test Detects Alzheimer's with 90% Accuracy

Researchers at Lund University in Sweden have introduced an innovative blood test named PrecivityAD2, which boasts approximately 90% accuracy in detecting Alzheimer's disease (AD). This advancement is particularly valuable for individuals exhibiting mild cognitive impairment, as it facilitates earlier and more accurate diagnosis. Published in

the peer-reviewed journal JAMA, the test addresses a significant challenge in Alzheimer's detection. Traditionally, diagnosing Alzheimer's has been complex and costly, relying on procedures like PET scans or lumbar punctures to assess amyloid and Tau proteins in the brain. The PrecivityAD2 test simplifies this process by requiring only a blood sample, which enhances accessibility and reduces diagnostic errors. Early detection is critical in Alzheimer's care, helping to prevent misdiagnosis that occurs in 25% to 35% of cases, even among specialists.

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7. India-US Discuss Energy Cooperation in High-Level Meeting

Union Power Minister Manohar Lal and John Podesta, a senior adviser to the US President on International Climate Policy, held a significant meeting to enhance energy cooperation between India and the United States. The discussions focused on advancing clean energy projects and were deemed productive by both parties. Key areas of collaboration included modernizing India's electricity grid, boosting the country's manufacturing capacity for renewable energy technologies, and exploring partnerships in advanced energy storage systems to ensure a stable power supply from renewable sources.

8. Sweden Reports First Case of mpox Strain outside Africa

The WHO declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) on August 15, 2024, in response to the WHO's announcement of the first case of the new clade I variation of mpox outside of Africa. Clade 1b was spreading quickly at the time. While clade I has not been discovered, mpox associated with clade II of the 2022 epidemic has been found in wastewater from California and Illinois in the United States. Compared to 1,145 cases and seven deaths the year before, almost 2,100 cases of mpox and thirteen deaths were reported in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and eleven other countries in 2024.

9. ISRO Launched SSLV-D3-EOS-08

ISRO's SSLV-D3-EOS-08 mission, the third flight of the Small Satellite Launch Vehicle series, was launched on August 16 from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre. This mission follows the successful SSLV-D2-EOS-07 in February 2023. The 34-meter-tall SSLV rocket can carry payloads up to 500 kg into Low Earth Orbit (LEO). The mission's goals include deploying a microsatellite, developing new instruments, and advancing satellite technology. The Earth Observation Satellite, weighing 175.5 kg, operates on 420 watts, has a one-year mission life, and is built on the Microsat/IMS-1 bus.

10. Invasive Nature of Lantana

Recent research led by Professor Mathieu Morlighem offers a more optimistic view of the risk of ice collapse in Antarctica. While the ice sheets in West Antarctica remain vulnerable, the study indicates that the threat of catastrophic collapse may be lower than previously thought. Scientists used computer models to explore what could happen if the towering ice cliffs formed by melting ice sheets began to break apart. Contrary to earlier concerns, the models suggest that the ice might flow into the ocean faster, which would prevent the cliffs from becoming tall enough to collapse dramatically. This finding is particularly relevant to the Thwaites Glacier, a rapidly melting glacier in Antarctica. The study tested two scenarios: one where the glacier's floating ice shelf vanishes immediately and another where it disappears by 2065. In both cases, rather than triggering widespread collapse, the glacier simply accelerated its flow into the ocean. This research indicates that the potential for a severe breakdown of Antarctic ice may not be as high as once feared.

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INTERNSHIP

PAWZZ NGO

https://internshala.com

- Work from home
- Start date: Immediately
- Duration: 4 Weeks
- Stipend: 1,500-10,000/ month
- Apply by: 22/09/2024

About the Internship

Pawzz is a revolutionary animal welfare organization operating in Gurgaon. They raise awareness about issues related to animals, while simultaneously providing an online platform for animal lovers to volunteer, adopt animals, fund campaigns, and rescue stories, and become a vital part of the movement aiming for the complete eradication of the stigma towards animals in our society.

Benefits:

- Certificate
- Letter of Recommendation

Only those who can apply who:

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2. can start the work from home job/internship between 23rd Aug'24 and 27th Sep'24
3. are available for duration of 4 weeks
4. have relevant skills and interests

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SCOPE FOR CHANGE NGO

https://internshala.com

- Work from home
- Start date: Immediately
- Duration: One month
- Stipend: 1,000 /month + Incentives
- Apply by: 20/09/2024

About the internship

Scope for Change is a non-profit organization dedicated to empowering individuals and communities through sustainable development projects. They work on a variety of social and environmental initiatives, striving to create positive change in the world. Their projects are focused on education, women empowerment, the environment, social well-being, and health.

Benefits:

- Certificate
- Letter of Recommendation

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- **https://internshala.com**

Work from home
Start date: Immediately
Duration: One week
Stipend: Unpaid
Apply by: 18/09/2024

- **About the internship**
- The Skill Guru is dedicated to democratizing education by offering FREE live 1:1 instant learning sessions with top Gurus from around the world. Their mission goes beyond traditional subjects.

Benefits:
Certificate
Letter of Recommendation
Flexible Working hours
5 days a week
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- **https://internshala.com**
- Work from home
- Start date: Immediately
- Duration: Two weeks
- Stipend: Unpaid
- Apply by: 17/09/2024
- an organization known for providing computer and vocational education in rural areas with economic costing through a strong network of centers in small villages and towns. .
- Selected intern's day-to-day responsibilities include raising funds for the NGO. 20% incentives on raising funds of more than Rs. 5000.
- **Benefits:**
- Certificate
- Letter of Recommendation
- Flexible Working hours

- Only those candidates can apply who:
- 1. are available for the work from home job/internship
- 2. can start the work from home job/internship between 18th Aug'24 and 22nd Sep'24
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KSHITIKSHA FOUNDATIONS NGO

https://internshala.com

- Work from home
- Start date: Immediately
- Duration: One month
- Stipend: Unpaid

About the internship

Kshitiksha Foundation is a section 8 non-profit organization registered under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India. It is an ISO 9001:2015-certified organization. It is also registered with the Ministry of Micro, Small, & Medium Enterprises (MSME) program UDYAM

Benefits:

- Certificate
- Letter of Recommendation

Only those candidates can apply who:

1. are available for the work from home job/internship
2. can start the work from home job/internship between 23rd Aug'24 and 27th Sep'24
3. are available for duration of 1 month
4. have relevant skills and interests

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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Smile Foundation
Location: Delhi
Job email ID: jobs@smile-foundationindia.org
Apply by: 27 September 2024

2. Asst Manager
VDFG Kartik Trust
Location: Delhi
Job Email ID: Kumudgaba@yahoo.com
Apply by: 25 September 2024

3. Project Coordinator (PC Female)
DESIRE Society
Location: Malad (Mumbai), Vashi (Navi Mumbai), Maharashtra
Job email ID: Jobsatdesire@gmail.com
.Apply by: 24 September 2024

4. Project Officer
AIACA
Location: Delhi
Job email ID: searchcommittee@aiacaonline.org
Apply by: 11 Sep 2024

5. HR Lead
Doctors For You (DFY)
Location: Delhi/ NCR, Delhi
Apply by: hr.gfund@doctorsfory-ou.org
https://forms.gle/gY6MSCHpCU-J8YE7Q7

6. Psychologist And Counsellor
Soulfree
Location: Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu
Job Email ID: Preethi@soulfree.org
Apply by: 02 Dec 2024

7. Center Manager
Charvi Empowerment Society
Location: Sector 21, Gurugram & Laggere, Bengaluru, Haryana, Karnataka
Job Email ID: Charviesociety@gmail.com
Apply by: 10 September 2024

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IMPORTANT DATES

1 September 2024 : National Nutrition Week (1-7)

3 September 2024 : Skyscraper Day

5 September 2024 : International Day of Charity, Teachers' Day (India)

8 September 2024 : International Literacy Day, World Physical Therapy Day

10 September 2024 : World Suicide Prevention Day

11 September 2024 : National Forest Martyrs Day

14 September 2024 : Hindi Diwas (India), World First Aid Day

21 September 2024 : International Day of Peace (UN), World Alzheimer's Day

27 September 2024 : World Tourism Day

28 September 2024 : World Rabies Day

29 September 2024 : World Heart Day

30 September 2024 : International Translation Day

September 2023

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1.How was your life at Amrita?

It was a roller coaster ride , I had all the experiences with mixed emotions and great learning. But the best part of my Amrita life was the friends and faculties who were there beside me at all times especially Dr Nagalingam , Dr Priya , Dr Suja , Dr Uma Maheshwari, Dr Kanagaraj , Sathish Anna and ever sweet Ambika mam the memories which we all had created will be the best take away from my MSW career.

2.What are the key skills that you learned at Amrita that helped your career?

Leadership ,Team Work, Patience, Trust , Commitment , Transparency, Integrity .

3.How is the current scope of Social Work?

There are Scopes everywhere around you but you can only find it when you really work for it and if you don't find it then it's definitely your fault that you didn't monitor your actions . Make sure your plan for your future (Goals)always aligns with your actions at present .

4. What message you would like to give to the current MSW students?

Procrastination is the biggest obstacle that students generally have even though I had it but later in my life because of it I had gone through a very tough time and had learnt one thing: life always gives you an opportunity, you need to catch hold of it before it vanishes . Life is all about living. There are two options: either live happily with what you have or work hard with consistency and grow yourself to make a better future as you dream . You won't always get motivation from people around you , remember you are the best motivator for yourself , but always keep a monitoring partner who always points out your mistakes and have a discussion with him or her regularly and make sure you work on your areas of improvement .

5. What are your key responsibilities in the present job?

Organising, Training and Monitoring.

6. Who is your inspiration?

People who never give up on their goals in any situation and eventually have more failures than success but never give up are whom I get inspiration from . I believe easy success is never permanent .

7. Any other think you would like to share?

Forget what situation you are in now , it's like a page in a book. Just turn it and you'll get more interesting leads that will make your life more exciting. Life is all about living. There are two options: either live happily with what you have or work hard with consistency and grow yourself to make a better future as you dream .

UGC NET (JANUARY 2019) PAPER III SOLVED QUESTION PAPER

1. Reproductive and Child Health Programme (RCH) in India was launched in year

(A) 1997

(B) 2001

(C) 2003

(D) 2006

2. Sum of the deviations of all the values of X from the Mean is

(A) Minimum

(B) Zero

(C) Maximum

(D) One

3. The notion that men are stronger than women is a

(A) Sanction

(B) Value

(C) Norm

(D) Belief

4. Dementia is a

(A) Neuro-Psychiatric problem

(B) Mental health problem

(C) Dermatological problem

(D) Cardio-vascular problem

5. Social activist and Magsaysay award winner Mr. Deep Joshi is best associated with

(A) Tribal Welfare

(B) Child Welfare

(C) Family Welfare

(D) Youth Welfare

6. To evaluate another culture according to the standards of one's own culture is

(A) Material culture

(B) Ethnocentrism

(C) Non-material culture

(D) Xenocentrism

7. Voluntary reference of disputes to arbitration is dealt in under which section of the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947?

(A) Section 9

(B) Section 10

(C) Section 10-A

(D) Section 11

8. Which one is not the assumption of social case work?

(A) Every human being is to be respected

(B) Every human being can change

(C) Every human being has some work

(D) Every human being is an artist

9. Which is not a correct statement about lay-off as per Industrial Disputes Act, 1947?

(A) Lay-off is refusal to give employment.

(B) Lay-off may be due to break-down of machinery.

(C) Lay-off may be due to a natural calamity.

(D) For lay-off, an employee need not be on the muster-rolls.

10. According to Durkheim "Human agency" is constrained by

(A) Political process

(B) Social structure

(C) Economic resources

(D) Agency of other actors

Answers
1. A, 2. B, 3. A,4. A, 5. A, 6. B, 7. C, 8. D,9. D,10. B

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