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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



SESSION ON POCSO AND JJ ACT

A session on the POCSO and JJ Act was conducted for the cadets of the Sainik School at Amaravathinagar, Udumalpet, Tirupur District on 4th December 2024. Dr. Priya V, Assistant Professor and Dr. Dipanjan Bhattacharjee, Assistant Professor sensitized the students on the legal implications of the JJ Act and the POCSO Act which was attended by nearly 400 students in 4 batches. Students who had adjustmental issues were counselled by the resource persons.



Session by Dr. Priya V and Dr. Dipanjan Bhattacharjee



Dr. V Priya
Assistant Professor

TREE PLANTATION AT MAVUTHAPATHI VILLAGE

On December 6th, a tree plantation event happened at Mavuthapathi Panchayat. The event was guided by Dr. Kanagaraj, indicating that he played a leadership or supervisory role in organizing and conducting the event. The event saw active participation from students of 1st year MSW and 1st year BSW. These students were engaged and involved in the tree plantation activities, planting around 120 saplings. This significant effort aims to promote environmental awareness and contribute to a greener environment. Notably, N.S. Maheshwaran, the founder of Namma Navakkarai, visited the event. His presence likely added significance and importance to the event, and may have also motivated the students and other participants. Overall, the event presents a positive and uplifting picture of a community-based initiative promoting environmental sustainability.



Students planting saplings.



MALAVIKA K
(1 MSW)

ORIENTATION ON GANDHI FELLOWSHIP



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Orientation on Gandhi Fellowship

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An orientation session on Gandhi fellowship was organised for the second MSW students on December 12, 2024. The session was hosted by the placement cell of the Department of social work of Amrita. The program started with the inaugural address by Mr. Ajiraj C A, Center head of CIR, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore followed by Dr. S. Kanagaraj, Assistant Professor and Placement coordinator from the department of social work, Amrita. The session was later handed over to the chief guest of the day - Mr. Manohar R, Program Leader Marketing and Recruitment, Piramal Foundation. He gave an orientation on the fellowship, the opportunities for students and the exposure the fellows would get within the period of fellowship. The short session was overall a great learning experience for the students.



Orientation on Gandhi fellowship



ANUPAMA RAJAN
(II MSW)

PROUD MOMENT AT SOUTH ZONE MUSIC COMPETITION

First year BSW Student Suvarnna K A who represented our University at South Zone Music Competition shares her experiences

Participating in the South Zone Music Competition was an exhilarating experience that not only allowed me to showcase my musical talents but also provided a unique opportunity to meet new people and learn from them. One of the highlights of the competition was the chance to interact with fellow music enthusiasts from different parts of the region. I met talented musicians, each with their own unique style and story.



We shared our experiences, exchanged tips, and learned from each other's strengths and weaknesses. The competition was a melting pot of cultures, with participants from diverse backgrounds and genres. I was fascinated by the different musical styles and instruments on display. The event provided a platform for us to appreciate and respect each other's cultural heritage. I was able to challenge myself and push myself by taking part in the tournament. I gained confidence and learnt how to function well under duress. I also learned the value of sportsmanship, cooperation, and communication from the experience. The thrilling performances and the touching exchanges with other competitors were among the competition's many memorable moments. At the event's grand conclusion, the region's amazing talent and variety were on display. Beyond merely listening to music, taking part in the South Zone Music Competition was a fulfilling experience. Personal development, cultural interaction, and self-discovery were all part of the journey. I brought back to my home life new connections, priceless experiences, and a fresh enthusiasm for music.



SUVARNNA K A
(I BSW)

KICKING BEYOND BOUNDARIES

Our student Mohammed Ansaf, 1st year Msw Excels In the All India South Zone Inter University Tournament.

Mohammed Ansaf, a first-year MSW student at Amrita University, showcased his exceptional talent and passion for football by representing the university in the All India South Zone Inter-University Football Tournament, held at MAMO College, Manassery Mukkom, Calicut. Competing against some of the finest



teams in the region, Ansaf demonstrated remarkable skill, dedication, and sportsmanship, making the university proud. As a social work student, Mohammed Ansaf's participation also highlights the importance of balancing academics with extracurricular activities, proving that dedication to both personal and professional development can lead to success. His efforts reflect the values of teamwork, perseverance, and excellence central to Amrita University's ethos. The MSW department takes immense pride in Ansaf's accomplishments and wishes him continued success in his academic journey and athletic pursuits. His participation inspires his peers and is a testament to the holistic development the university fosters.



NAYANA K A
(I MSW)

WINTER INTERNSHIP

The Winter Internship for 1st and 2nd-year MSW students was a critical component of their professional training, providing a minimum of 7 days of immersive, hands-on experience in various social work settings. This internship bridged the gap between theoretical knowledge and practical application, allowing students to work in real-world environments such as non-governmental organizations (NGOs), hospitals, educational institutions, community centres, and government social welfare departments. Additionally, students participated in group work, facilitating or assisting in therapeutic sessions, support groups, or workshops aimed at addressing issues such as mental health, substance abuse, family dynamics, and youth empowerment. A significant portion of the internship involved community outreach, where students worked on awareness campaigns, conducted surveys, and collaborated with local communities to identify and address pressing social issues. This included organizing events or distributing educational materials related to health, education, or social justice. Through hands-on experience, the trainees could understand and engage with the complexities of social work in different contexts, develop professional skills, and contribute to the welfare of diverse communities.

Throughout the internship, students were continuously supported by faculty mem

bers from their academic institutions. Faculty provided ongoing guidance and supervision, conducting regular check-ins to assess students' progress, address challenges, and ensure they applied their theoretical learning in practical situations. Across all these settings, MSW trainees gained a wide range of skills crucial for social work practice, including effective communication, case management, policy analysis, counselling, and community engagement. The internship also allowed them to understand the unique challenges faced by different communities and the complexities of addressing social issues in various socio-economic and cultural contexts. One key learning from the internship was the importance of cultural sensitivity and understanding when working with diverse populations, especially in rural areas where traditional practices may affect the acceptance of modern social programs. The winter internship for MSW trainees provided a comprehensive learning experience that exposed students to the varied aspects of social work practice. By engaging in direct service delivery, policy analysis, community outreach, and program evaluation, the trainees gained a deeper understanding of the role of social workers in diverse settings. The internship not only enhanced their practical skills but also strengthened their commitment to social justice and Community welfare.



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Trainee participating in the working group discussion.



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DIYA RAJESH, 1ST YEAR MSW STUDENT, PARTAKES IN MRIDANGA NAADAM GUINNESS WORLD RECORD

Mridanga Naadam 2024 was set to mark a significant milestone for the Indian Classical Dance through a Guinness World Record in Bharatanatyam. The event featured 12,000 dancers united in a single performance and Diya Rajesh was one among them. The event was conducted by Mridanga Vision. Divyaa Unni, a renowned Indian actress and classical dancer, was the ambassador for the Mridanga Naadam Guinness World Record event. She performed along with the other dancers at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Kochi, Kerala on 29th December 2024. All the participants and teachers reached the JLN Stadium around 6 pm. There were musicians and their band to engage the audience. After arranging the 12,000 dancers there was a trial of the performance for 2 minutes.



DIYA RAJESH
(1 MSW)

There was a Guinness World Records Adjudicator and a lot of teachers, each to observe 50 children who danced to make the attempt a record. The performance was a 'keerthanam' about Lord Shiva and the theme was 'Kailas' (limitless peace and bliss). Then, the performance of 12,000 dancers for 8 minutes and 30 seconds finally led to the Guinness World Record in Bharatanatyam for the largest number of dancers performing Bharatanatyam simultaneously. It was a different experience to dance along with such a big group of dancers, breaking the chaos and winning the record with unity. There were participants from other countries too, which brought into me a feeling of universal oneness in performing arts.



WINTER INTERNSHIP 2K24

The winter internship, a vital part of the Master of Social Work (MSW) curriculum, offers students an opportunity to blend theoretical learning with practical fieldwork, spanning 10 days from December 23, 2024, to January 2, 2025, under the expert guidance of Dr. S. Kanagaraj, a seasoned professional in community development. A group of eight students collaborated to create Village Panchayat Development Plans (VPDPs) for five selected panchayats in the Coimbatore district: Nachipalayam, Arisipalayam, Arasanpalayam, Myleripalayam, and Malumichampatti. VPDPs are comprehensive blueprints that foster sustainable rural development across nine themes: poverty alleviation, health, child welfare, water sufficiency, environmental sustainability, infrastructure development, social security, good governance, and gender equality. These plans, developed through participatory rural appraisal techniques, emphasize localized, inclusive, and resource-optimized strategies to address community needs while empowering villagers to take charge of their growth. By integrating local knowledge and ensuring active participation, the internship not only strengthens grass-roots governance but also equips students with essential skills to address challenges such as resource constraints, social inequalities, and environmental issues, thus contributing meaningfully to holistic rural development and sustainable progress.



MALAVIKA K
(I MSW)

PLACEMENTS OF SECOND YEAR MSW STUDENTS

We are thrilled to announce that students from the 2nd year MSW batch have secured placement in the prestigious Bhumi Fellowship program. This achievement is a testament to their hard work and dedication. The Bhumi Fellowship is a highly competitive program that offers young professionals the opportunity to work on education projects and make a meaningful impact in the lives of underprivileged children. We congratulate the selected students Akshaya Prakash, Sreeram J, Anusha S Pillai, Anina Elizabeth on this remarkable feat and wish them continued success and growth in their future endeavors. This achievement not only brings pride to the students but also to the college. We are proud to have students who are committed to making a positive impact in society.



FARHAAN FAROOQUI
(I BSW)

SIVA PRAKASH ATTENDS INTERNATIONAL AYUDH REPRESENTATIVE'S MEET 2024



*Siva Prakash at international Ayudh representatives Meet 2024
(4th person standing from the left)*

Siva Prakash, a dedicated student, from our Department represented at the prestigious International AYUDH Representative's Meet 2024, held at Amritapuri. This global event brought together aspiring young leaders from across the world to engage in a transformative experience.

The meet emphasized building leaders and promoting self-empowerment through a variety of enriching activities. Participants were inspired by renowned speakers, honed their talents in music and arts, and engaged in meaningful value-based service initiatives. Additionally, the workshops offered practical skills and insights to foster personal and community growth.



FARHAAN FAROOQUI
(I BSW)



STUDENTS' CORNER

'An inspiration for all those who aim to conquer the blue skies'

Air Chief Marshal B.S. Dhanoa,
25th Chief of Air Staff of the Indian Air Force

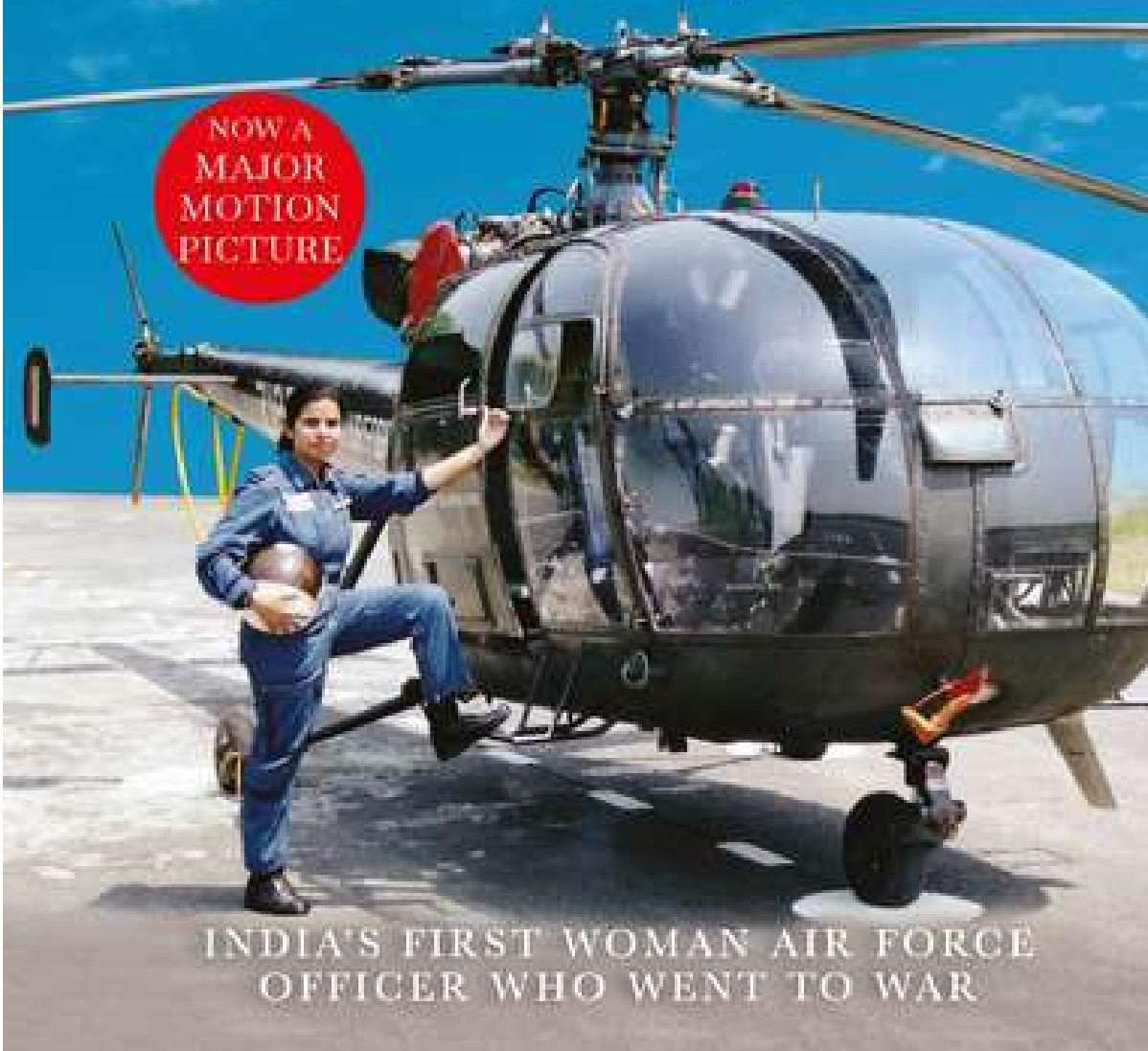


Flt Lt Gunjan Saxena (retd)
with Kiran Nirvan

THE KARGIL GIRL

An Autobiography

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INDIA'S FIRST WOMAN AIR FORCE
OFFICER WHO WENT TO WAR

BOOK
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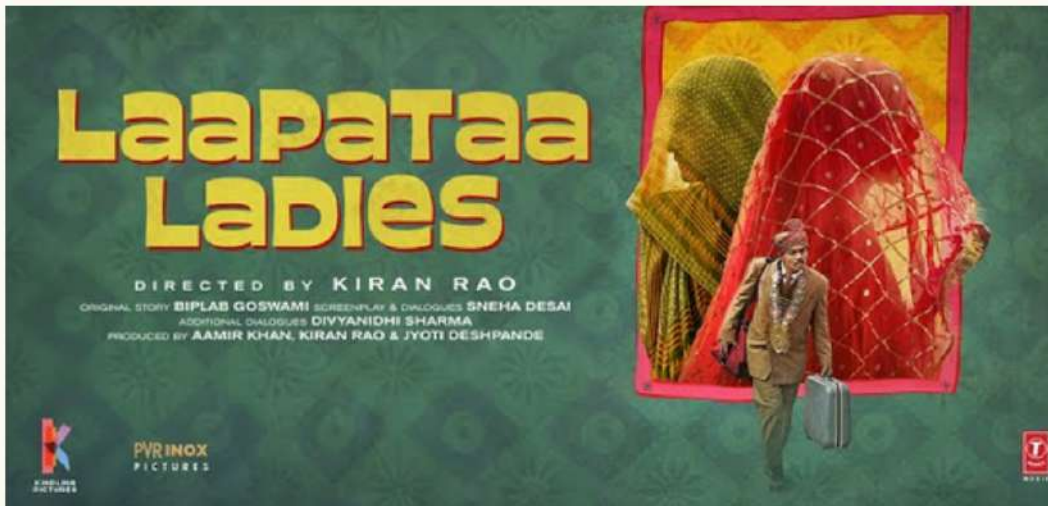
The Kargil Girl: An Autobiography

Kargil Girl is the autobiography of Flt Lt Gunjan Saxena, who, as the name implies, was referred to as the Kargil Girl due to her outstanding actions during the Kargil War. Gunjan has told her tale from the moment she received her call letter for the Services Selection Board (SSB), to how she performed on the test, how she went through the selection procedure, and how she was recommended out of all the girls that showed up. The novel opens in a lighthearted manner, and I found that I could identify with many aspects of Gunjan's early years, as well as her experiences and strategy during the SSB exam and my own job interview. Although everyone remembers her as the Kargil girl. A glimpse of Gunjan's mischievous side during her early years is provided by this book. I would like to underline that both are similar and different because the film is a medium that the director uses to tell the story. This is because I watched the movie based on this book first, which came out before I read the story. Notwithstanding that, this book is a must-read since it tells the story of the Indian Air Force woman commander who served in combat, chose this specialized field more than 20 years ago, and has served as an inspiration to many young females. In my opinion, the story should have continued since I wanted to learn more about her experiences.



SUVARNNA K A
(I BSW)

MOVIE REVIEW



LAAPATAA LADIES

DIRECTED BY KIRAN RAO

The Hindi-language comedy-drama "Laapataa Ladies" (2023), which was directed by Kiran Rao, takes place in the imaginary state of Nirmal Pradesh in 2001. The movie centers on Phool Kumari and Jaya, two recently married wives who, because of customary veiling, end up being split off from their husbands during a tumultuous train ride. While Jaya, who is mistaken for Phool, is brought to Deepak's house and subsequently expresses her wish to pursue school over her forced marriage, Phool ends up at a train station, where she gains independence with the assistance of Manju Mai, a tea shop owner.

It was an enriching experience for me. Like the times of Hrishikesh Mukherjee and Basu Chatterjee, Laapataa Ladies is a throwback to the heyday of Indian film. These filmmakers' touching stories, which were replete with morality, simplicity, and timeless ideals, focused on the average person. Laapataa Ladies masterfully captures, producing a moving movie that evokes empathy and audience participation.

With its natural and honest performances, this movie restores hope in human kindness. The characters seem like people we know or have encountered in our own lives because of how authentically the actors play their parts. Themes that tackle current issues and strike a strong chord with viewers are timely and pertinent. This movie stands out for its moral lessons, which are both amusing and powerful. The comedy is satirical rather than caustic, offering incisive societal analysis in an approachable and palatable way.

119 MINUTES



ARYA A S
(I MSW)

SCHEMES AND ACTS



ACTS



The Railway (Amendment) Act, 2024

Indian Railways' management has been overhauled by the Railway (Amendment) Act, 2024. By repealing the Indian Railway Board Act of 1905 and incorporating its provisions into law, this amendment streamlines railway administration and introduces a simplified legal framework. Redundancy is eliminated, while efficiency is improved and modern administrative requirements are met for railway governance.

Background and Need for Reform

Modernization of Indian Railways' management is achieved through the implementation of the Railway (Amendment) Act, 2024, which replaces and unifies its provisions with those repealed by the earlier Indian Rail Authority Act. Originally, 1905. To standardize policies on a growing network, Act established centralized governance by creating the Railway Board, which was separate from the Public Works Department. However, the Railways Act of 1989 consolidated several laws related to railways and rendered the 1905 statute inapplicable.

Act somewhat redundant. A number of merger proposals were ignored by the 1905 Congress. The Act remained unamended until now. The 2024 reform aims to fill this void by streamlining administrative complexity and modernizing governance.

Key Provisions

Under the Railways Act, 1989, an amendment is made to establish the formal establishment of the railway board and allows the central government to define its structure and functions. Key provisions include:

1. The appointment process is overseen by the central government, which determines the composition of board members, their qualifications, and terms of service.
2. Granting the Board government powers could result in operational flexibility. How is this achieved?
3. A Secretary and staff to assist with administrative support for the Board.
4. Consistent Service: Present employees maintain their terms and conditions, ensuring stability during the transition.

ACTS

Implications.

This revision unifies the statutes of 1905 and 1989. Implements, enhancing governance and improving decision-making. But beyond that, broader reforms such as decentralisation, privatisation and the creation of an independent regulator have not been implemented yet, leaving room for future modernisation.

Financial Impact.

With the amendment, the Railway Board's expenses are included in the 2024-25 budget, with 440 crores specifically designated for operations. This means there will be no additional costs.

Conclusion.

Indian Railways must undergo a transformation with the implementation of the Railway (Amendment) Act, 2024. It simplifies administration and sets the foundation for future reforms, but it also requires more comprehensive structural changes to propel Indian Railways as a global player.

Reference: <https://prsindia.org/billtrack/the-railways-amendment-bill-2024>

<https://sansad.in/getFile/BillsTexts/LSBillTexts/Asintroduced/31%20of%202024%20As%20introduced726202445212PM.pdf?source=legislation>



GOPIKA K S
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STATE SCHEME

SNEHASANTHWANAM

KERALA'S LIFELINE FOR ENDOSULFAN VICTIMS AND THEIR FAMILIES

The Kerala government's "Snehasanthwanam" project is a humane endeavour meant to provide relief and long-term support to the state's Endosulfan poisoning victims. Endosulfan, a hazardous pesticide commonly used in Kerala's cashew orchards, caused serious health problems in people who were exposed to it, including congenital defects, physical deformities, and severe mental and neurological diseases. To address these issues, the plan was introduced in December 2010 by the Kerala Social Security Mission, providing financial aid to afflicted families to help them cope with the economic and medical difficulties caused by the pesticide's impacts.

The initiative also highlights the value of education by providing educational assistance to children from Endosulfan-affected families, guaranteeing that they have the opportunity to achieve a better future despite their families' difficulties. Recognizing the critical role of caretakers in meeting the requirements of critically ill people, the government established a separate component under the Aswasakiranam scheme. This provision provides ₹700 per month to caregivers of victims who are completely bedridden or intellectually impaired, recognizing their sacrifices and supporting their efforts in providing dedicated care.

The Snehasanthwanam scheme uses these approaches to not only handle the victims' urgent financial and caregiving requirements, but also to give holistic support, assuring a semblance of stability and dignity in their life. This effort demonstrates the government's



dedication to addressing the long-term impacts of Endosulfan exposure while prioritizing the well-being of impacted families.

The Kerala government's "Snehasanthwanam" plan offers financial assistance of ₹2200 to bedridden Endosulfan victims, ₹1700 to those receiving a ₹300 disability allowance, and ₹1200 to other victims on the District Collector's list. Caregivers of bedridden or intellectually challenged victims earn ₹700 monthly under the Aswasakiranam scheme. Children of impacted households receive educational support worth ₹2000 for Buds school kids, ₹3000 for Classes 8-10, and ₹4000 for Plus One and Plus Two pupils. This initiative provides complete assistance to the victims and their relatives.

Reference: <https://www.myscheme.gov.in/schemes/skerala>



ASHWATHI V R
(I MSW)

CENTRAL SCHEME



YOUTH HOSTEL SCHEME

The Youth Hostel Scheme is managed by the Department of Youth Affairs & Sports of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India. The Central Government provides financial assistance to the State Governments for building and maintaining youth hostels. State Governments are supposed to look after the running of the youth hostels on a day-to-day basis.

Youth hostels are far less expensive than hotels and guesthouses. Youth's hostels are the perfect place you can ever wish to visit to interact with the peoples from the world at large. Youth's hostels are usually located in sites of cultural importance. There, you will have a chance to get more exposure to the culture and local traditions. At youth's hostels, you will be exposed to different kinds of accommodation ranging from dormitories to private rooms, even family rooms. You can also book meals at the hostel or cook your own food.

If the applicant is below 18, then he/she is required to be accompanied by a parent or guardian whenever staying in a youth hostel.

Source: <https://www.myscheme.gov.in/schemes/yhs>



DIYA RAJESH
(I MSW)

CURRENT AFFAIRS





1. Alarming Rise in Suicide Cases Grips the United States

An alarming number of suicide events in the United States, reaching all-time highs. This surge raises concerns about mental health, pinpointing a pressing need to intervene. Preliminary data indicated a disturbing pattern during 2022 as they reported 49,449 deaths by self-harm. This accounted for a three percent increase from the 2021 figures of 48,183 suicides, which means that over 14 cases occurred for every 100,000 people.



2. India Requires \$101 Billion Investment to Achieve Tripled Renewable Energy Targets: Report

A report from the energy think tank Ember states that if India aims to meet the net zero goal established by the International Energy Agency, it would need to triple its renewable energy capacity, demanding an additional investment of \$101 billion. As per the report, that funding is essential. The report states that India needs to boost renewable capacity to over three times the

targets established for 2030 in the 14th National Electricity Plan, also known as NEP14, the junior athletes. The scheme will groom the junior athletes for 2024 and 2028 Olympics.

3. China Dominates New Coal Plant Construction in 2023, Says Global Energy Monitor

As reported by the Global Energy Monitor, a nonprofit that tracks coal initiatives worldwide, over 95 percent of the coal plant capacity that began construction in 2023 is located in China. Despite a trend of some coal projects being cancelled or delayed, new proposals are surfacing globally. As of October, there are 110 GW of coal power capacity being evaluated in 32 nations beyond China, consisting of 131 coal initiatives.



4. Indian Navy's Operational Demonstration Sindhudurg Fort

On December 4, 2023, the Indian Navy will display its operational strength and abilities through an impressive 'Operational Demonstration' at the magnif-

icent Sindhudurg Fort located on India's western coastline. Led by Admiral R Hari Kumar, Chief of the Naval Staff, the event will highlight for the first time the variety of naval operations conducted by the ships and aircraft. Constructed in 1660 by the Maratha leader Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, the Sindhudurg Fort symbolizes significant maritime history and the rich legacy of India. This occasion would better honor that history free from all colonial actions.

5. Cabinet Approval for Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM JANMAN)

The Union Cabinet, led by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has approved the Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan, a significant program for the welfare of tribal communities. This project is approved with a budget of Rs. 24,104 crore where the Central Portion amounts to Rs. 15,336 crore and the state's portion at Rs. 8,768 crores.



6. Concerns Rise over Unusual Syphilis Cases Potential New Bacterial Strain

In an enigmatic turn of events, five women in Michigan were diagnosed with syphilis. In this situation, the women's eyes are primarily infected because of their sexual interactions with the same man. Scientists are worried that a new variant of the bacteria responsible for syphilis, *Treponema pallidum*, may emerge. Typically, ocular syphilis arises after an extended period of untreated syphilis, which renders the emergence of this cluster and its swift progression especially concerning.



7. IUCN's Comprehensive Conservation Action Plans for Threatened Pollinator Groups in Europe

The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has released three cohesive Action Plans aimed at conserving endangered pollinator groups in Europe. Developed as part of an EU-supported initiative that began in April 2021, these strategies result from a cooperative effort that includes species specialists, environmental NGOs, scholars, staff from protected areas, and government officials from various

regions of the continent.

8. Krishnaveni Sangeetha Neerajanam Prequel Event

The Ministry of Tourism partnered with the Ministry of Culture, Sangeet Natak Akademy, and the Andhra Pradesh State Government to hold this unique festival. The concept was to create a prequel for this event to highlight the rich heritage of classical music and showcase some lesser-known tourist destinations.

9. WHO Emphasizes Worrying Levels of Global Violence Against Women

Dr. Poonam Khetrpal Singh, the Regional Director for South-East Asia at the World Health Organization, emphasized the concerning statistics regarding women subjected to physical and/or sexual violence. Reports indicate that over one in three individuals (nearly one in three women globally) encounter such violence during their lifetime. The prevalence rate is unmatched in the South-East Asia Region, standing at approximately 33%.

10. 28th European Union Film Festival (EUFF) of India

The 28th European Union Film Festival (EUFF) is set to be an engaging event that is sure to enthrall viewers in New Delhi from December 1 to 10. The film festival will honor the deep cultural connections between India and the European Union, presenting 28 movies in 25 languages from 28 different European nations.



11. Malaysia Grants Visa-Free Entry to Indians

Malaysia will grant Indians visa-free access for stays up to 30 days starting December 1, Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim recently declared, following Sri Lanka and Thailand's example. Visa Exemption for Indians and Chinese the visa exemption, which has been extended to citizens of China as well, will remain in place until December 31, 2024. During a speech at the congress of his People's Justice Party on Sunday, Prime Minister Ibrahim made this announcement. Malaysia's top five tourism source markets include India and China. As reported by the Malaysia Tourism Promotion Board, there have been 91 lakh tourist arrivals recorded up to June this year, including approximately five lakhs from China and 2.8 lakh from India.

REFERENCE: <https://www.gkto-day.in/current-affairs/month/current-affairs-november-2023/>



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INTERNSHIP OPPURTUNITIES

TARE ZAMEEN FOUNDATION NGO

<https://internshala.com/>

Work from home

Start date: Immediately

Duration: 1 Month

Stipend: 1,000 /month + Incentives

Apply by: 14th JANUARY 2025

About the Internship

Tare Zameen Foundation is a non-profit organization registered in 2018 in Delhi, committed to various charitable causes. Since its establishment, it has focused on uplifting children, women, and individuals with disabilities (divyangjan). The foundation reaches out to underprivileged children by providing educational opportunities while empowering women through employment initiatives.

Benefits

Certificate

Letter of Recommendation

Flexible work 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 15th Dec'24 and 19th Jan'25
3. are available for duration of 1 month

To know more and apply:

<https://internshala.com/internship/detail/work-from-home-part-time-fundraising-internship-at-tare-zameen-foundation1734254443>

SHE CAN FOUNDATION NGO

<https://internshala.com/>

Work from home

Start date: Immediately

Duration: 4 weeks

Stipend: 20% of total funds raised

Apply by: 23 January 2025

About the internship

The She Can Foundation is a registered NGO under the Indian Society Registration Act of 1860, dedicated to uplifting and empowering underprivileged women. Their mission is to provide education, training, and resources that help women from marginalized communities overcome obstacles and reach their full potential.

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 24th Dec'24 and 28th Jan'25
3. are available for duration of 4 weeks

To know more& apply:

<https://internshala.com/internship/detail/work-from-home-part-time-volunteering-internship-at-she-can-foundation1735018138>

NAYEPANKH FOUNDATION NGO

<https://internshala.com/>

Work from home

Start date: Immediately

Duration: 4 weeks

Stipend: 20% of Total funds Raised

Apply by: 23 January 2025

About the internship

Volunteers at NayePankh Foundation play a vital role in various activities, including assisting with the orientation and onboarding of new volunteers, developing and scheduling activities, and encouraging good deeds within their homes and communities.

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 24th Dec'24 and 28th Jan'25
3. are available for duration of 4 weeks

To know more& apply:

<https://internshala.com/internship/detail/work-from-home-part-time-social-sector-operations-internship-at-nayepankh-foundation1735022663>

Child Cancer Trust NGO

• <https://internshala.com>

Work from Home

Start date: Immediately

Duration: 2 weeks

Stipend: 500-4,500 lump sum

Apply By: 31 January 2025

About organisation

The selected intern will be responsible for contacting people and motivating them about social work, assembling a team for the campaign, and recruiting more students to participate. They will also promote the campaign and seek donors to support the cause, while explaining the details of the campaign to others. The Child Cancer Trust is dedicated to supporting children battling cancer by providing essential

medical care and education, ensuring they have access to quality healthcare and the chance to continue their education.

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 1st Jan'25 and 5th Feb'25
3. are available for duration of 2 weeks

To know more& apply:

<https://internshala.com/internship/detail/work-from-home-part-time-social-work-internship-at-child-cancer-trust1735733712>

PAWZZ FOUNDATION NGO

<https://internshala.com/>

Work from home

Start date: Immediately

Duration: 4 weeks

Stipend: ₹ 1,500-10,000 /month

Apply by: 23 January 2025

About organisation

Pawzz is an animal welfare organization based in Gurgaon, dedicated to raising awareness about animal issues, facilitating pet adoptions, and encouraging rescue efforts. To eliminate the stigma against animals, Pawzz strives to foster a harmonious relationship between humans and animals. The organization focuses on several key responsibilities. First, it develops and implements innovative strategies for fundraising that directly support its initiatives, providing team members with opportunities to make a tangible impact on the lives of those they serve.

Benefits:

• Certificate

• Letter of Recommendations

• Flexible work 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 24th Dec'24 and 28th Jan'25
3. are available for duration of 4 weeks
4. have relevant skills and interests

To know more& apply:

<https://internshala.com/internship/detail/work-from-home-part-time-social-work-internship-at-pawzz1735012919>



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MSW JOB OPPURTUNITIES

1) Creche Safety & Security Manager
Chaupal (Chaupal Gramin Vikas Prashikshan Evam Shodh Sansthan)
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Job email ID: chaupal.job@gmail.com
Apply By: 20 January 2025

2) Programme Manager, Education (VIDYA), Kharel
Larsen & Toubro Public Charitable Trust
Location: Kharel, Navasari, Gujarat
Job email ID: kshitija.raut@larsentoubro.com
Apply By: 19 January 2025

3) Manager
Yuva Parivartan
Location: Bandra E, Mumbai, Maharashtra
Job email ID: careers@yuvaparivatan.org
Apply By: 17 January 2025

4) Placement Coordinator - Skill Development and Livelihoods Programme
Sofia Educational & Welfare Society
Location: Yamuna Vihar, Delhi
Job email ID: cv.ngosofia@gmail.com
Apply By: 16 January 2025

5) Project Consultant
Sambodhi Research and Communications
Location: Ranchi, Jharkhand
Job email ID: hr@sambodhi.co.in
Apply By: 15 January 2025

6) Counsellor-Meri Trustline
Rati Foundation For Social Change
Location: Mumbai, Maharashtra
Job email ID: jobs@ratifoundation.org
Apply By: 15 January 2025

7) Junior Caseworker
Rati Foundation For Social Change
Location: Mumbai, Maharashtra
Job email ID: jobs@ratifoundation.org
Apply By: 15 January 2025

8)Content Lead
Step Up for India
Location: Banglore/Remote, Karnataka
Job email ID: porkodi@stepupforindia.org
Apply By: 15 January 2025

9)Assistant Manager for Gender-Based Violence
Hasiru Dala
Location: Bengaluru, Karnataka
Job email ID: hr@hasirudala.in
Apply By: 22 January 2025

10) Fundraising Officer
Reach Education Action Programme
Location: Thane, Maharashtra
Job email ID: info@reapchild.org
Apply By: 15 January 2025

Source: <https://www.devnetjobsindia.org/>



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JANUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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IMPORTANT DAYS

- 1 January 2025 – New Year’s Day
- 1 January 2025 – Global Family Day
- 4 January 2025 – World Braille Day
- 6 January 2025 – National Technology Day
- 9 January 2025 – Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas (NRI Day)
- 10 January 2025 – World Hindi Day
- 12 January 2025 – National Youth Day
- 14 January 2025 – Pongal, Makar Sankranti, Magh Bihu
- 15 January 2025 – Indian Army Day
- 18 January 2025 – National Immunization Day
- 19 January 2025 – World Religion Day
- 23 January 2025 – Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti
- 24 January 2025 – International Day of Education
- 24 January 2025 – National Girl Child Day

- 25 January 2025 – Voter’s Day
- 26 January 2025 – Republic Day
- 27 January 2025 - International Holocaust Re-
membrance Day
- 30 January 2025 – Martyr’s Day
- 30 January 2025 – World Leprosy Day

Source: <https://www.knowledgeumacademy.in/blogs/important-days-january-2025>



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1. How was your life at Amrita?

My life at Amrita College was a transformative journey that shaped me into the person I am today. It was a time of growth, learning, and self-discovery. As I move forward in life, I will always look back on my time at Amrita College with gratitude and fondness.

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

I think almost all the skills we can learn within a two year period from different settings. For confidence is the uttermost skill I learnt from Amrita. During community visits and field works I could able to develop my rapport building, empathy and communication skills, which helped me while contacting with various stakeholders.

3. How is the current scope of Social Work?

There are kinds of job openings in various settings.

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

Dear friends please do involve in all the activities, programmes whatever tutors made for you. Continuously acquire knowledge, update yourself, explore. Now there is somebody to assist you in all errors made by you.

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

Overall supervision of the Child Helpline unit at district level. Organize Capacity building activities to team members, conducting various outreach programmes, Analysis of events and identify vulnerable spots, Documentation and reporting.

6. Who is your inspiration?

Absolutely my Tutors at Amrita

7. Anything else you would like to share?

We can altogether work for a clean, peaceful developed country.

UGC NET QUESTION PAPER- DECEMBER 2014 PAPER II

1. The Life Model (Ecological) of social work practice is best associated with

- A. Walter Friedlander
- B. Mary Richmond
- C. Carel B. Germain
- D. Florence Hollis

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

- A. Minimum
- B. Zero
- C. Maximum
- D. One

3. Contradictory demands of the same role is termed as

- A. Role strain
- B. Role playing
- C. Role conflict
- D. Role twisting

4. Dementia is:

- A. Neuro-Psychiatric problem
- B. Mental health problem
- C. Dermatological problem
- D. Cardio vascular problem

5. Social activist and Magasaysay 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

- Material culture
- Ethnocentrism
- Non-material culture
- Xenocentrism

7) Which of the following are the characteristic features of an urban community?

- I. Large size
- II. Preponderous of voluntary organisations
- III. Anonymity
- IV. Preponderous of secondary and tertiary occupations

Codes:

- II & IV only
- I & III only
- I, III & IV only
- I, II, III, & IV

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

- Every human being is to be respected
- Every human being can change
- Every human being has some work
- Every human being is an artist

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

- A. Lay off is refusal to give employment
- B. Lay off maybe due to breakdown 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

ANSWER KEY

- 1 Option D
- 2 Option B
- 3 Option A
- 4 Option A
- 5 Option A
- 6 Option B
- 7 Option D
- 8 Option D
- 9 Option D
- 10 Option B



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