## NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME – UNIT VI

## EVENT SUMMARY REPORT - COMBATING DRUG ABUSE AMONG YOUNGSTERS: AN AWARENESS OUTREACH - 2022

Date & Day	Event	Topic	Platform
	To create awareness	Combating Drug	
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Monday	youngsters on drug	Youngsters: An	Wheresoft realis
	abuse	Awareness Outreach	

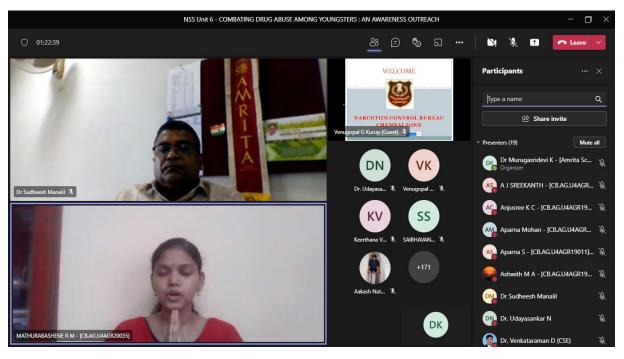
## **SCHEDULE**

TIME	PROGRAMME
04.30 - 04.35	Prayer Song
04.35 - 04.40	Welcome address
04.40 - 04.45	Remarks by Principal, Head Research and
	PGP chair
04.45 - 04.50	Remarks by NSS Programme Coordinator
04.50 - 06.20	Address by Chief guest
06.20 - 06.30	Address by Campus Director
06.30 - 06.33	Remarks by NSS Programme Officer
	Address
06.33 - 06.36	Vote of Thanks

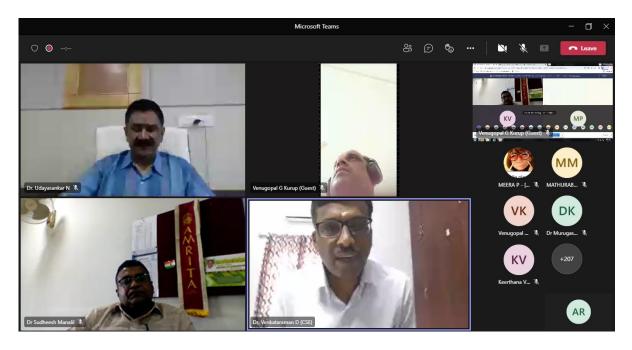
<sup>&</sup>quot;Although our war on drugs must be fortified with the best laws, enforcement efforts and resources, we would not be successful without your individual commitment to this cause"

- Mel Carnahan.

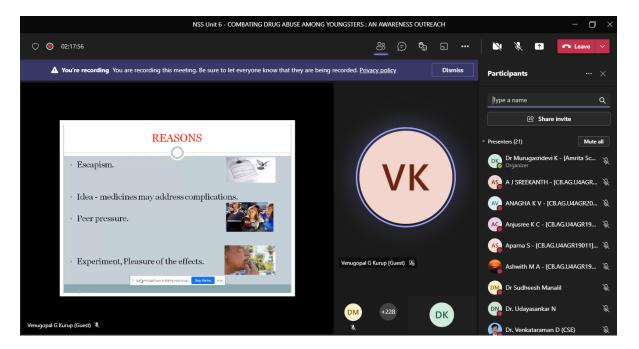
With the blessings of our beloved Amma, a drug awareness programme was conducted on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022 (Monday) virtually through Microsoft Teams by NSS Unit VI - Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences at 4.30 to 6.40 pm. Student volunteers of B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture of 2019, 2020 and 2021 batches and all the faculty members attended this awareness programme entitled "Combating Drug Abuse among Youngsters: An Awareness Outreach". The programme was compered by Ms. Keerthana Vijayan of B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture 2019 batch. The event commenced with a prayer song by Ms. Mathurabhashene R M of B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture 2020 batch.



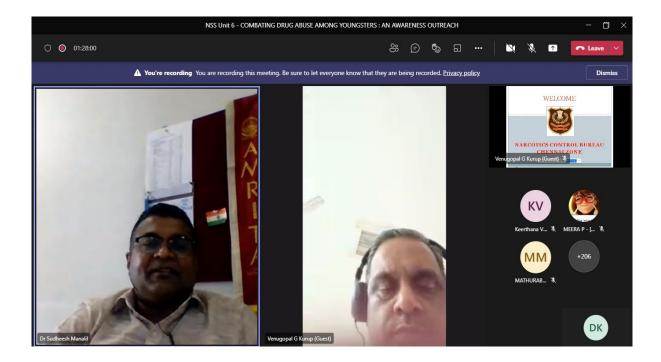
It was followed by the welcome address by Ms. Meera P (2020 Batch of B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture). Dr. Sudheesh Manalil, Principal and Head Research, Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences shared his valuable words regarding the negative consequences of drug abuse. He insisted on the point that we have not used it and will never use it; however, it is our duty to combat this in our society as responsible citizens. He also explained the importance of awareness about this growing disaster. Followed by his address, Dr. D. Venkataraman, NSS Programme Coordinator, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, Amrita School of Engineering educated the gathering by emphasizing points that would prevent younger generation from drug addiction such as creating association with great people, keeping the mind engaged, being responsible and making good company of friends etc.,



The Chief Guest and speaker of the event, Mr. Venugopal G Kurup, Assistant Director, Narcotics Control Bureau, Chennai Zone shared his immense knowledge on various drugs, consequences of its consumption and the symptoms of drug addiction through his resourceful presentation. It was an eye-opening session, where a whole new perspective of the Narcotics world was understood by the participants. The presentation began with the details on the history of the Narcotics Control Bureau followed by the classification of drugs such as narcotics, psychotropic substances, controlled substances and other substances.



He urged us not to fall prey to the temporary relief given by drugs as it was a trap. He explained that the narcotic world is a place where entry is easy but exit is very difficult to find. The speaker gave a clear insight into the reasons that attract an individual towards drug abuse and its impacts on the mental, physical health, various signs of drug abuse and its detrimental effects on the physical appearance. The participants were made aware of the various laws and punishments directed by our Government of India to contain drug abuse. He concluded his presentation by stating that "DRUGS" refer to Death Regularised Under Guise of Solace and shared a valuable quote, "Understand your potential and act accordingly to reach success".

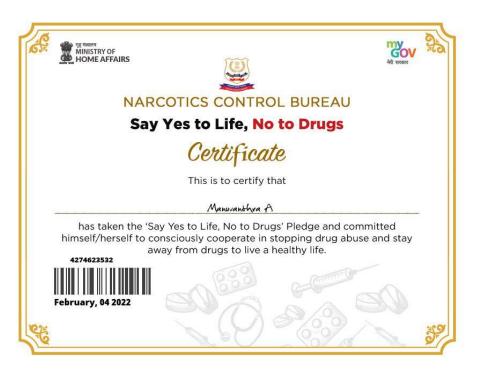


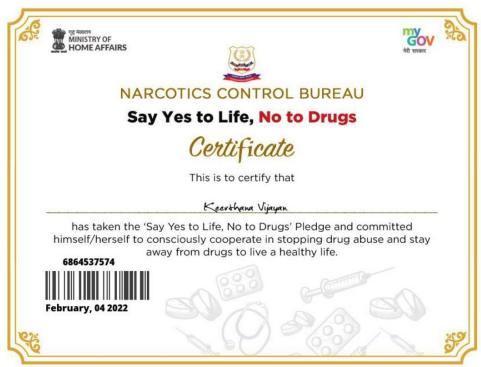
Followed by the chief guest, Dr. N. Udayashankar, Campus Director, Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences shared his experience of losing his good friend who was a drug addict. He guided students to choose the right path and succeed in life rather than being a victim of evil circumstances. He emphasized the importance of family and religious values and good company in order to prevent us from getting into this danger. He also explained the importance of Karma, Self-care and hard work and concluded his speech by saying that we, Amritians should be a pioneer and a role model to others in future.



Followed by his speech, Dr. K. Murugasridevi, NSS Programme Officer, Assistant Professor (Agrl. Entomology), Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences extended her gratitude to everybody for participating and making the event a successful one. Finally, Wamika of B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture 2019 batch delivered the vote of thanks and concluded the session

successfully. As a part of this programme, 460 people from Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham have taken the pledge "Say yes to life, no to drugs" of Ministry of Home Affairs, Central Government of India and received the certificates.







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NSS Unit 6 Cordially invites you for the

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07.02.2022, Monday | 4:30 pm to 5:45 pm | 📫 MS Teams





Chief Guest & Speaker

Mr. VENUGOPAL G KURUP **Assistant Director** Narcotics Control Bureau, Chennai Zone



Speaker

Dr. N. UDAYASHANKAR **Campus Director** Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences

**Looking Forward Virtually** 

Dr. K. Murugasridevi Unit 6 NSS Programme Officer, Amrita School of Agricultural Sciences

Dr. D. Venkatraman NSS Programme Coordinator Dr. Sudheesh Manalil Principal & Head - Research