

NSS Special Camp February 3-7, 2020 REPORT Submitted by Unit 6



Day 1: February 3, 2020 (Monday)

NSS special camp commenced on Monday, Feb 3, 2020. At 9.30 am, we assembled at Amriteshwari Hall for the inaugural function by Dr Shailendhra. After the inauguration, all the volunteers belonging to the six different units set out to Ettimadai village for initiating our special camp service. We started by cleaning the streets and clearing off unwanted waste materials in and around a village pond. Then, with the help of a bulldozer, unwanted plants were cleared from the pond and collected and disposed of properly.



NSS volunteers on their way to the village



Cleaning drive around the pond in Ettimadai



A short break for a snap together

Day 2: February 4, 2020 (Tuesday)

From Day 2, all our activities were centred in and around Madukkarai Panchayat Union Middle School, Ettimadai. We reached the location by 10.00 am and divided ourselves into various teams concentrating on different works respectively. We started with cleaning the school campus with necessary materials we had.



Cleaning every nook and corner of the school compound

In spite of the difficulties, we put in all our efforts and made a real good work which was self-satisfactory as well as appreciated by the school officials.

In parallel, another team took care of teaching the students and motivating them to learn, employing innovative and creative techniques.



A team of volunteers teaching the school students

Post lunch session commenced by 1:30 p.m. with the volunteers dividing themselves into different working groups based on their abilities and inclinations. One group continued cleaning the school compound; another group settled upon teaching the students enacting the play "Kannagi"; one group engaged the students in various sports activities; another group of students conducted poetry recitation and story-telling competitions for the students.

Day 3: February 5, 2020 (Wednesday)

We started the day with the usual cleaning work with the same energy. A couple of volunteers observed a crack in the school tank and bought M-seal to fix the leakage. A group of four boys climbed to the roof top and started cleaning the over-head water tank. At 10:00 a.m. Mr L Palaniappan, Inspector of Posts, Coimbatore South Sub Division, accompanied by Mr Akhil, the Branch Post Master, Ettimadai Branch Post Office gave a talk introducing the students to the various savings schemes and other services like the ATM service at the Post Office.

We then had our lunch and continued serving food for everyone in the campus. After a small break, the highlight of the day happened where we conducted various events and competitions for the students from all the classes. It was filled with fun and happiness among everyone present there. These competitions included potato race, running race, drawing, colouring, etc. and twenty-seven prizes were shortlisted. We called it a day after the end of all events. It was a tiring but a very satisfactory day.

Day 4: February 6, 2020 (Thursday)

The penultimate day focused on educating the school students about Health and Hygiene and also about the ill effects of tobacco. At 10:00 a.m. Mr Radhakrishnan, Manager, GEM Hospital, gave an enlightening and interesting talk on the significance of maintaining a healthy body. He told them how important good nutritious food is in this direction. He informed the students about the health hazards of having junk food and fast food. Finally all the students took an oath regarding inculcating healthy eating habits and other such habits. After the talk, there was a short break and then we got together at 11:15 a.m. for a highly informative talk on the ill effects of tobacco and the accompanying health hazards by eminent speakers from the Government Health Department.

Mr Thoufeeq, Psychologist, District Tobacco Control Cell, O/o Deputy Director of Health Services, Racecourse, Coimbatore, and Mr Muarlikrishnan, Social Worker, O/o Deputy Director of Health Services, Racecourse, Coimbatore, spoke at length with very good sense of humour to reach out to the young boys and girls. They spoke about the hazards of getting addicted to tobacco in any form. They even told the young students the dangers of passive smoking and made an appeal to the students to help their elder relatives also move out of the fatal habit. At the end of their talk they asked questions based on the talk and very interestingly, the students had listened so attentively that they could answer all the questions. Prizes were given to the students to encourage them.



Mr Radhakrishnan, Manager GEM Hospital, giving a talk on general health awareness





Mr Thoufeeq and Mr Muarlikrishna, Health Department, giving prizes to students for Tobacco hazards awareness quiz

After the talks we went for the lunch break and resumed our work for the afternoon session as usual, in various smaller groups with each group taking up some activity and seeing it to completion. The activities included: construction of a small drain and a pit for the waste water from washing utensils; classroom teaching and motivation; painting the blackboard and stage railing; fixing the compound gate; conducting outdoor games and indoor activities in classrooms.

Day 5: February 7, 2020 (Friday)

The last day of the camp began as usual, at 9:30 a.m., with the prayer and the announcement of the day's chores and the teams being assigned various chores. Each group spread out and started their jobs with full zeal and vigour as the count-down had begun and everyone had to gear up to finish all the assigned jobs by the end of the day. Cleaning the school compound, classrooms and corridors, clearing off the debris from the yard, cleaning the front side of the school and the nearby village streets and the area around the water tap, carrying out small maintenance jobs in the school, etc. was all carried out by us.

The entire afternoon was devoted to the Prize distribution and the valedictory function. We made hand-drawn certificates and gifted each and every student with a pencil. It was the farewell day, with a mixture of joy and sorrow – joy, at all the activities we could carry out at the school and in the neighbouring village; and sorrow, at the thought of leaving these lovely kids after a period of five days of fun and frolic with them. The teachers and students of the school gave us a warm farewell, with some of them struggling to control their tears.



The HM talking at the Valedictory Function



Prize Distribution



A final picture together – under the banner of NSS, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham

NSS SPECIAL CAMP – Name List (Unit 6) From 03/02/2020 to 07/02/2020 (Time: 08.40 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.)

S No.	Name	Roll Number
1	G MADAN PRAVEEN	CB.HS.U4CIE19012
2	K LOKESH REDDY	CB.HS.U4CIE19017
3	M SHEKAR	CB.HS.U4CIE19020
4	M HARIKA	CB.HS.U4CIE19021
5	M ISHWARYA	CB.HS.U4CIE19022
6	M V DEEPTHI	CB.HS.U4CIE19024
7	P HITESH BABU	CB.HS.U4CIE19027
8	T SURYANARAYANA	CB.HS.U4CIE19037
9	T DHEERAJ	CB.HS.U4CIE19041
10	DHANUSH VENKAT	CB.HS.U3ENG17009
11	DHARSHANA S	CB.HS.U3ENG18007
12	MADHU SRI	CB.HS.U3ENG18014
13	RAASITHA V	CB.HS.U3ENG18022
14	VAISHNAVI V	CB.HS.U3ENG18030
15	ADITHA K	CB.HS.U3ENG19001
16	ADVAITH KRISHNAN R	CB.HS.U3ENG19002
17	AMALA P	CB.HS.U3ENG19003
18	ASISH B NAIR	CB.HS.U3ENG19006
19	ATHIRA RAJENDRAN	CB.HS.U3ENG19007
20	AVANTHY A B	CB.HS.U3ENG19008
21	GANGA R	CB.HS.U3ENG19012
22	MALAVIKA SURESH	CB.HS.U3ENG19015
23	MEGHA B NAIR	CB.HS.U3ENG19016
24	PAVITHRA E	CB.HS.U3ENG19017
25	SACHIDA MAHESH	CB.HS.U3ENG19020
26	SAI KEERTHANA MALLELA	CB.HS.U3ENG19021
27	SAKTHI PRASATH S R	CB.HS.U3ENG19022
28	SARANYA G	CB.HS.U3ENG19023
29	SHYAMA SURENDRAN	CB.HS.U3ENG19025
30	SREERAG K U	CB.HS.U3ENG19026
31	SRILAKSHMI R	CB.HS.U3ENG19027
32	UTHARA V S	CB.HS.U3ENG19029
33	VARSHA JAGADEESH	CB.HS.U3ENG19030
34	GREESHMA P	CB.HS.U3ENG19033
35	AKSHAYA MURALI	CB.HS.U3ENG19034
36	PONN SANTHAN SURI	CB.HS.U3ENG19035