

THE NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS) REPORT



First Donation Distribution

The donations collected from the university community by NSS Cell through its Donation Drives were distributed in the slum near Kalinga Hospital, Bhubaneswar on April 13, 2023. One of the greatest joys of giving lies in donating to others. By helping, whether it be through donations, volunteer work, or acts of kindness, we enable individuals to overcome challenges and improve their quality of life.



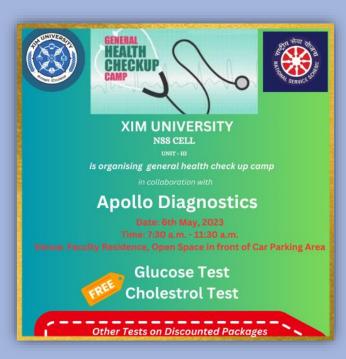


NSS Youth Leadership Workshop – AIIMS Bhubaneswar

NSS Bureau of AIIMS Bhubaneswar conducted a Youth Leadership Workshop from April 21-24, 2023 in which 7 NSS volunteers from XIM University also took part. It was a three-day workshop in which students were provided with a dynamic and transformative platform to develop essential skills, foster personal growth, and cultivate leadership quality. Participants engaged in interactive sessions and experiential activities.

First Free Health Check-up

NSS Cell organized a general health check-up camp for all the members of the XIM family – faculty, Ph.D. Scholars, Students, non-teaching staff, security persons, and other multi-tasking staff members in collaboration with Apollo Diagnostics, Bhubaneswar on May 6, 2023. Around 100 community members benefitted from the health check-up camp. Apollo Diagnostics offered two tests such as Sugar fasting and Cholesterol to each one of the community members. It was a successful health camp on the campus.





NSS State Cultural Fest

NSS State Level Cultural Fest was organized by Odisha State NSS Cell at Shiksha O Anusandhan (Deemed to be University) in association with the Department of Higher Education, Government of Odisha and Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports from May 21–23, 2023. The purpose of the festival was to promote the cultural and literary talent of the volunteers. Six enthusiast NSS volunteers from XIM University participated in cultural competitions and won a few awards as well. This fest provided an opportunity to showcase the talents and create a network among youth. Prof. Biranchi Narayan Panda, NSS program officer was present during the state-level cultural fest program.

International Yoga Day Celebration

International Yoga Day is commonly celebrated on June 21 every year. Yoga is a gift to the world from India to elevate physical and mental health. The essence of yoga is balance – not just balance within the body or that between the mind and the body, but also balance in the human relationship with the world. Yoga emphasizes the values of mindfulness, moderation, discipline, and perseverance. When applied to communities and societies, Yoga offers a path to sustainable living. NSS celebrated "International Yoga Day" on June 19, 2023, in the hybrid mode. Ms. Rajashree Mohanty, an experienced yoga trainer, conducted the yoga session. Around 30 staff members, faculty and students joined the yoga session.





NSS Volunteers Participation in Conference on Developments in Capital Market and Role of SEBI

Around ten NSS volunteers participated in a one-day conference on June 30, 2023, on the theme "Developments in Capital Market and Role of Regulators" KIIT, deemed to be University, hosted the conference in collaboration with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and NSS.

Van Mahotsav Celebration





NSS Cell celebrated Van Mahotsav on July 11, 2023. A massive plantation drive was conducted after an expert talk on the theme of "Awareness about the science behind the right way of plantation". The aim of collective efforts of tree planting was to foster a greener and more sustainable environment for the present and future generations and help restore the ecological balance. Around 100 plants collected from government nurseries were planted at the university campus by student volunteers.



Celebration of World Youth Skills Day

NSS cell celebrated World Youth Skills Day on July 15, 2023. World Youth Skills Day aims to highlight the important role that teachers and educators play in shaping the youth. In this connection, a Communication Skill Workshop was organised at Raghunath Regional High School on 15 July, 2023 from 10. 00 am to 11.30 am. This one-and-a-halfhour program was designed to address the school children's communication skill challenges while speaking in public. Around 12 NSS Volunteers conducted the session and engaged the high school students with multiple skill-enhancement activities

NSS Advisory Board Meeting

NSS Cell of the university conducted an Annual Advisory Board Meeting on August 2, 2023, at the New Campus. NSS Cell invited two special guests to the meeting. They are Ms. Sarita Patel, Regional Director of NSS, Bhubaneswar edition, and Dr. Ramesh Chandra Behera, NSS State Officer cum Dy. Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Odisha.





Kargil Vijay Diwas and Meri Desh and Meri Mati Program

The NSS Cell, Unit-I of the university conducted an event 'Kargil Vijay Diwas' and "Meri Desh and Meri Mati" Program on August 2, 2023. Ms. Sarita Patel, Regional Director, Directorate of NSS, Bhubaneswar, and Dr. (Maj) Mukund Chandra Sahoo, AIIMS were the guests of the event, and they addressed our student volunteers. Around 350 student volunteers participated in this event.

Cleanliness Drive Campaign

On the occasion of the 77th Independence Day of India the NSS Cell, led by Unit-3 organised a campus-wide cleaning drive on August 15, 2023, to propagate the culture of cleanliness. The cleaning drive started after the flag-hoisting ceremony on the campus. Around 50 students participated in the cleanliness drive campaign.



Award to NSS Cell of XIM University

The NSS Cell of XIM University has been nominated by Odisha Rajiv Gandhi Students Forum to receive a state-level 'Rajiv Gandhi Sikshya Sammana-2023' for outstanding performance in the NSS field. This has been recommended by the Regional Director, Regional Directorate of NSS, Govt. of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Bhubaneswar. Dr. Jyoti Ranjan Sahoo, NSS program coordinator (School of Communications) was felicitated on August 20, 2023, at Jaydev Bhawan, Bhubaneswar on the 79th Birth Anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi.





NSS Orientation Program

The NSS Cell, Unit II, of XIM University organized NSS "Orientation Program" for newly joined volunteers on August 31, 2023. Mr. Nirod Baral Khunita, NSS trainer (OUAT-ETI) addressed all the new volunteers and highlighted the objectives and importance of NSS. Around 400 new NSS Volunteers participated in this event.

Massive Plantation Drive

The NSS Cell, Unit II of XIM University organized a Massive Plantation Drive" on August 31, 2023, in collaboration with SBI and Odisha Environmental Society. Volunteers planted 400 saplings inside the New Campus. Around 300 student volunteers actively participated in the plantation drive.



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Anti-Drug and Cervical Cancer Awareness Campaign

The NSS Cell (Unit-4) conducted an "Anti-Drug and Cervical Cancer Awareness Campaign", in collaboration with the Serum Institute of India-Pune, Bhubaneswar branch. This campaign was a valuable opportunity to make a positive impact on our community and raise awareness about critical health issues. The objective of this campaign was to raise awareness about the serious issues of drug abuse and the importance of cervical cancer awareness and prevention among teenaged university students. These issues were of significant social and health importance, in educating the youth and community for a positive change.



First Blood Donation Camp





The NSS Cell (Unit-4) organized a "Blood Donation Camp" on 25th Sept 2023 in collaboration with the Red Cross Society, Odisha State Branch, Bhubaneswar. A nine-member team from the Red Cross Society of Bhubaneswar and Cuttack Branch assisted the drive and conducted the camp with the help of NSS leaders and volunteers. 208 blood units were donated by the faculty, students, scholars, and staff members of the university.

First NSS Induction Program

The **NSS** Cell. Unit-3 conducted NSS Induction program for the volunteers who joined NSS (including 1st and 2nd year students) in 2023. The objective of this program was to train, orient, and create NSS leaders, Mr. Madhusudan Das, an NSS trainer, was the guest who took the of the event session. The program was held on October 5. 2023. Around 70 selective participants joined the session. Arupa Gouda and Poja Dakua, both state NSS awardee NSS volunteers were invited to motivate our volunteers.





World Metal Health Day

The NSS Cell, Unit-V conducted the World Mental Health Day on October 10, 2023. Dr. Susrut Das, Wellness coach was the chief guest of the event and delivered a talk on "Youth well-being and wellness in digital age" to sensitize the issue of mental health. Around 200 students participated in the event.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

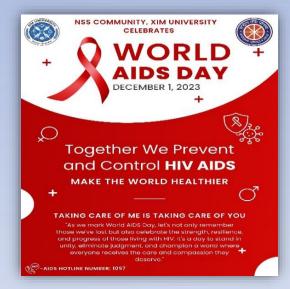
The NSS Cell conducted an event to celebrate "Breast Cancer Awareness Month" October 31. on 2023. in collaboration with Utkal Hospital, Bhubaneswar. A three-member team from Utkal Hospital including a doctor was available for the program and addressed the gatherings. 120 students, non-teaching. and faculty members participated in the event.



First Daan Week

The NSS Cell (Unit-2) of XIM University conducted a weeklong Donation Drive - "DAAN WEEK" from November 3-8, 2023, on both campuses. Students, scholars, staff, and faculty donated articles such as clothes, shoes, books, and unused toys, to the NSS office. This drive led to the accumulation of enough goods to help as many people as possible and yielded the desired contributions to society.





World AIDS Day Celebration

On December 1, 2023, NSS called everyone as a community to reflect, educate, and raise awareness about the impact of HIV/AIDS on individuals and communities worldwide through education, outreach, and advocacy and to dispel myths, reduce stigma, and promote a supportive environment for those living with HIV by engaging in conversations, sharing information about the causes, symptoms, remedies, and encourage everyone to prioritize their health.

NSS Leaders Meeting (Two)

The meeting of leaders of all units took place on December 5, 2023 and 6th February 2024. The topics of discussion were about the New International Volunteers, Signing and Updating Activities in the NSS Work Diary, Distribution and Collection of NSS Caps and Badges, Orientation Program for New NSS Volunteers, Special Village Camp, Organization of Regular NSS Activity, Submission of New Proposal, Discussion on forthcoming Events, Handling of Social Media Accounts, Creation of WhatsApp Group for Volunteers, Finding Vendor for T-shirts and Purchase, Process of Handling NSS Leadership Mail, Submission of Events Attendance Sheet and Create and Maintaining Files and Registers.





Second NSS Induction program

NSS Volunteers Induction Program was conducted on December 11, 2023, to smoothly integrate volunteers into the organization and ensure they understand their roles, responsibilities, and mission. Briefing about the various activities of NSS CELL, XIM University, and the distribution of the NSS badges and Caps to the volunteers took place. The NSS community welcomed Ms. Valeria Jimenez, the newly joined international student as a part of the Magis Exchange Program.





NSS Special Week-long First Village Camp

The NSS wing of XIM University conducted a week-long special village in one of the adopted villages, Niranjanpur from December 16-22, 2023. The volunteers conducted various social activities such as cleanliness drives, health camps, community sports activities, cultural activities, nutrition surveys, financial literacy programs, women empowerment programs etc. in the village.

Second Donation Distribution Drive

The NSS wing of XIM University conducted the final phase of the "Donation drive" on January 6, 2024, with the support of Samridhi Seva Trust, Bhubaneswar. Student volunteers collected for a week-long Donation Drive – "DAAN WEEK" from November 3-8, 2023. The event was conducted in Phuleswari Basti, Bhubaneswar near Kalinga Vihar on January 6, 2024. More than 100 slum dwellers participated in this program.



Webinar "STOP CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE- POCSO ACT 2012"

Webinar on "STOP CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE" was conducted on January 22, 2024, on zoom in collaboration with Sakshi NGO. Around 70 students joined the event. They learned about 'sexual abuse', and the acts related to it. Students were made aware of ways of dealing with sexual abuse victims considering their psychological health and the role of parents in such in dealing with victims was also discussed.





Eye Check-up Camp

On February 7, 2024, the NSS Cell, Unit-3, of XIM University, Bhubaneswar, organised a Free Eye-Screening Program in collaboration with Dr. Agarwal's Eye Hospital. The program aimed to provide comprehensive eye screenings to the entire university community, including students, teaching and non-teaching staff, multi-tasking staff, security staff, cleaning staff, garden staff, construction workers, and other informal labourers.

Puri Beach Cleanliness Drive

The National Service Scheme (NSS) wing of XIM University, Bhubaneswar organized a day long beach cleanliness drive in main beach Puri on Sunday 11 February 2024. Over all around 60 NSS volunteers cleaned the beach, performed songs, sand art and conducted a rally in the beach to amplify the message of environmental stewardship and to inspire more individuals to take positive action in their everyday life. They spread the message and created environmental awareness among tourists and local vendors.



NSS Special Second Village Camp 2024





The NSS wing of XIM University has conducted "A Special Village Camp 2024" in one of the adopted villages, Patra Sahi. This initiative, held from February 22, 2024, to February 26, 2024, exemplified the university's commitment to community engagement and social responsibility. Various activities aimed at addressing the social and developmental needs of the village as carried out. The camp encompassed a range of activities focused on promoting cleanliness, mental health and wellbeing, primary school engagement, sports, and legal awareness.

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Menstrual Health & Hygiene Awareness Program

Menstrual health remains a significant yet often neglected aspect of overall well-being, particularly in rural areas. Recognizing the need to bridge this knowledge gap, NSS Unit-3 of XIM University is eager to embark on a campaign that promotes awareness and education regarding menstrual health and women empowerment within the student community of nearby communities. NSS (Unit-3) conducted a menstrual health and hygiene event among college going girls of a government girls' college on 13th March 2024.



A Nurturing Wellness Event



The NSS Cell (Unit-5) organised a seminar "Nurturing Wellness: Small Steps, Big Impacts" in collaboration with School of Communications on 14th March, 2024 from 2 pm to 5 pm at the Mini Auditorium. In accordance with the theme of the seminar, we invited two doctors to speak on physical and mental health awareness, its issues and challenges. The seminar aimed to empower students with practical strategies for enhancing their holistic wellbeing, encompassing both physical and mental aspects of health. It emphasised the significance of incorporating small, manageable changes into daily routines to foster long-term wellness. Through engaging presentations and interactive discussions, the seminar sought to inspire students to take proactive steps towards achieving a balanced and fulfilling lifestyle. More than 150 students participated in the NSS seminar.

Second Special Donation Drive

The NSS Cell (Unit-6) conducted "A Special Donation Drive" in collaboration with All India Catholic University Federation (AICUF), scheduled from March 22nd to April 10th, 2024. This initiative aimed to collect clothing, books and household items from the passed-out students and community members that could be beneficial to others in need. The contribution will greatly impact the lives of those less fortunate and contribute to the welfare of our society.

