SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

A Seven Day NSS Special Camp in the Institute was organized from Dec. 23-29, 2015 with the theme "Youth for Cleanliness". Prof V. B. Gupta, Professor (Retired), Delhi University, Delhi and Coordinator, DE-DEI was the Chief Guest of Inaugural Function. Prof. Swami Prasad Saxena, NSS Coordinator of the Institute briefed about the activities to be conducted during the camp.

The Camp activities were conducted in Two Sessions. First Session was devoted to Activities in adopted Villages and Sums, and Second Session was dedicated to Literary and Cultural Activities.

The major activities were conducted in adopted villages and slums. These included:,Nagla Haveli, Sikander Pur, Bahadur Pur, Nagla Jageshwar, Lashker Pur, Jagan Pur, Nagla Talfi, Nagla Boori, Nagla padi, Durga Nagar, Devi Nagar, Vidya Nagar, Kaushal Pur, Lashkar Pur, Basera etc.Apart from this, NSS Volunteers also organized Cleanliness Movement at Agra Cantt. Railway Station, Agra.

The Activities in Adopted Villages/ Slums and Agra Cantt. Railway Station included:

- (1) The Cleanliness Drive: It included
 - Cleaning of Platforms at Agra Cantt. Railway Station
 - Cleaning of Waiting Space at Agra Cantt. Railway Station
 - Cleaning of Open Yard outside Agra Cantt. Railway Station
 - Cleaning and Fumigation of Drains in Adopted Villages and Slums
 - Cleaning of Roads and Public Places, e.g. Schools, Hospitals, Community Parks etc. in adopted Slums and Villages.
- (2) Children Awareness Development Program: It included
 - Children Literacy Campaign,
 - Basic Knowledge/ Computer Skills to Children through Hole-in-the Wall Program, and
 - Children Awareness about Health, Hygiene, Sanitation, Environment Protection etc. through Animated/ Documentary Film Shows.
- (3) Job Training/ Skill Development Programs: This program was conducted with the help of Life Long Learning and Extension (LLLE) Section of the Institute. These included:

- Skill Development Programs for Housewives, School Dropouts and Children of Adopted Villages and Slums, such as Craft Work,
- Use of Waste Material, Making of Soft Toys, and
- Handmade Decorative Items.
- (4) Social Awareness Programs: The NSS Volunteers under guidance of Program Officers and deputed Teachers organized social awareness programs on various issues. The modes used for Awareness Campaign included:
 - Interaction/ Discussion,
 - Rallies,
 - Street Plays, and
 - Folk Songs

These programs were conducted on:

- Health, Hygiene, and Malnutrition,
- Child Education and Recreation (including Computer Literacy),
- Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Movement,
- Women Harassment and Safety (including Self Defense),
- Environment Protection,
- · Family Planning & Social Issues,
- Voting Rights,
- Evils of Tobacco, Smoking, and Drug Addiction, and
- Critical Health Issues, viz., Tuberculosis, AIDS, and STD.
- (5) Social Survey & Help: The NSS Volunteers
 - Conducted Socio-economic Survey on about 300 Households of adopted slums by using Structured Questionnaire, and
 - Distributed Old Clothes, Toys and Books to people/ children of adopted slums.

(B) SESSION II

- (6) Literary Activities: These were conducted in Two parts.
 - Poster Making, Slogan Writing, and Essay Competition,
 - Speech Competition on
 - 1. Smart City
 - 2. Traffic and Road Safety
 - 3. Make in India
 - 4. Self Defense
 - 5. AIDS and STD

- (7) Invited Talks: To make NSS Volunteers more responsible towards society, some Eminent Personalities of Agra including Social Activists were invited to deliver Expert Talk on various critical and social Issues. These included
 - 1. CA Alok Agarwal, Chartered Accountant and Social Activist, Agra
 - 2. Mr. Uttam Kumar, Sub-Inspector, Traffic Police, Agra
 - 3. CA Pramod Chauhan, Chartered Accountant and Social Activist, Agra
 - 4. Team of Experts, Self Defense, Agra Sports Association, Agra
 - 5. Dr. Gopi Chand Gupta, Renowned Medical Practitioner, Agra

These Experts covered many important issues relevant for NSS Volunteers and Youth. These included Smart City, Traffic and Road Safety, Make in India, Self Defense, and AIDS & STD.

- (8) Cultural Activities: The NSS Volunteers took very active part in cultural competitions organized in evening session. The events included:
 - 1. Indian Vocal: Solo & Group,
 - 2. Western Vocal: Solo & Group,
 - 3. Mono-Acting,
 - 4. Skit and Mime,
 - 5. Instrumental Performance, and
 - 6. Socio-cultural Program, Camp Fire etc.
- (9) The Valedictory Function was organized on December 29, 2015. Dr. R.
 - S. Pareek, Globally Renowned Homeopath and Social Activist, Agra was the Chief Guest on this Occasion.