# **National Service Scheme (NSS)**

# **A Detailed Comprehensive Report**

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#### **Overview**

Established in 2011, the NSS Cell of Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU) aims at honing the personality of student volunteers through a series of regular activities which are undertaken both within the campus and outside it in the form of special camps. With the motto NOT ME BUT YOU, the NSS Cell invites the volunteers for all-round personality development through community service, group interactions, awareness generation programme, group training and leadership training programmes. At present NSS Cell, MANUU has been very vibrant and active with three units (two regular and self finance) of 100 volunteers each. Dr. Mohammad Fariyad, Professor of Mass Communication and Journalism, is serving as Programme Coordinator and Dr. Md. Afroz Alam and Mr.B.Bikshapathi are serving as Program Officers of the NSS Cell.

The NSS Cell conducts regular weekly meeting of volunteers on every Friday to discuss regular plan of action. Students' orientation to community service, blood donation camps, awareness and sensitization programs in and outside the campus, village adoption, youth exchange, summer internship are major activities of the NSS Cell. Besides, the NSS Cell organizes the important events and programmes like International Day of Non Violence, International Day of Yoga, National Votes Day, World Environment Day, Anti Terrorism Day, Swakshta Pakwada, Azad Day, and other programs as per the directives of Government of India. The University also offers NSS as 2 non-CGPA credit paper to the students.

### **Major Activities**

Following are brief outlines of major activities undertaken by the NSS Cell of MANUU:

#### 1. Blood Donation Camps:

Blood donation is a crucial annual activity of NSS Cell, MANUU. The Cell primarily caters to hospitals within the city. The NSS has networked with MNJ Cancer Hospital Hyderabad and HDFC Bank for organizing the blood donation this year on 06 November 2018.



Around 187 units of blood have been donated. In addition, the NSS has its own club of blood donors. At various occasions, NSS Coordinator helped needy patients from within the University and outside get blood from NSS volunteers and staff of the University. It helped save many lives. The blood donation club members serve 24X7x365 for emergency needs.

#### 2. Special NSS Camp

Special camp is an integral part and programme of NSS training. It is required to get NSS Certificate. The NSS Cell took volunteers to Narsingi village in Rangareddy District of Telangana State. This time, volunteers were lucky to have Registrar of MANUU Dr. M.A. Sikandar as their mentor in the camp. Dr. Sikandar not only involved in important activities in the camp but also told volunteers that actual learning happens on the field. He urged them to observe things around them and try to understand society, empathize with poor people and strive towards improving literary and sanitation.

The camp aimed at various social issues impacting lives of people in the community. The student volunteers were sensitized about impact of illiteracy, lack of hygiene and other basic facilities on village dwellers. The volunteers undertook awareness activities regarding these issues. The camp was organized from 09.04.2018 to 15.04.2018.

#### 3. International Day of Yoga

MANUU regularly observes International Day of Yoga on 21st June every year. In this event, the NSS Cell invites resource persons from Patanjali Yogpeeth, Hyderabad to train students and staff members for applying yoga in their life for being physically and mentally fit.



The programme started on time with the motivational speech of Dr. M.A. Sikandar, Registrar, MANUU and later Dr. Aslam Pervaiz, Vice Chancellor who graced the occasion and delivered inspirational speech. The Vice Chancellor instructed the concerned to organize such programme on regular basis during academic session in the larger interest and benefit of the students. It was also opined by the Chair that sound

health with sound mind will deliver better results and contribute in good nation building. The session followed by Lecture-cum-Demonstration by Dr. Ramakanth Sahu, known Yoga Guru from Patanjali Yogh Peeth. Prof. P.F. Rahman, Dean, School of Sciences, Prof. Ethesham Ahmad Khan, Dean, Mass Communication & Journalism, other senior faculty members, administrative officers, ITI Instructors, other staff, students were also present apart from all members of the International Day of Yoga Organizing Committee and participants.

On this day the lecture on "Yoga for healthy mind and body" was organised at Indoor Sports Complex. Renowned Yoga Guru Dr.Ramakant Sahoo addressed the august gathering and Yoga guru Pandit Ram Awatar Tiwari demonstrates the different types of Asanas.



In spite of summer vacation, large number of students, teaching and non-teaching staffs participated in the programme. An high-level organizing committee was constituted by the University authorities for efficient and effective conduct the programme in view of its benefits for its stakeholders. International Day of Yoga Organizing Committee was formed and Prof. Mohammad Fariyad, Professor and Coordinator of NSS was made Chairman of the International Day of Yoga Organizing Committee along with senior academicians and administrative officers.

To sensitize and make awareness among the people on Yoga and its benefits, International Yoga Day etc., at near-by colonies, a Yoga Awareness Rally was convened on 20.06.2019. The rally went through the vegetable market, L&T colony, NITHM and Telecom Nagar besides in-campus. A large numbers of students, staff and other associates took part in the rally. Banners, standees and posters were displayed at different places of campuses.

On this events various competitions are also organized by NSS Cell with regard to yoga and health fitness to develop interest among all towards making yoga as part of life.

#### 4. Rashtriya Ekta Saptah

On the eve of Birthday of "Sardar Vallabhai Patel" N.S.S. Cell, Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad organized the "Run for Unity" by October 31st to November 6th 2018. A large number of students and university staff participated on



this event. Dr. M.A.Sikandar, Registrar MANUU flagged off the Unity Run.

#### 5. National Votes' Day

NSS Cell has been organizing National Voter's Day every year on 25th January. This time a large number of volunteers, students and staff from teaching and non-teaching community participated. The Programme began with an introductory note by Prof. Mohammad Fariyad, Programme Coordinator, NSS. He highlighted the importance of participation of citizens in democratic processes and registering as voter. All the participants took "Pledge" of National Voters Day.

#### 6. World Environment Day

Environment is a top priority of our times. The NSS Cell of MANUU engages its volunteers in various environment related activities, including observing World Environment Day. The NSS Cell organized World Environment Day programme on 05th June 2019 in the University campus. While celebrating the World Environment Day in sync with the world community, NSS volunteers, staff members, students and teaching fraternity not only expressed their concerns regarding global environmental degradation but also proposed small measures that can have lasting positive impact on environment. Concepts like planting of saplings, gardening, rain water harvesting, water conservation, no-to-plastic etc. were discussed.

Students and volunteers planted saplings and soiled themselves in gardening. Participants included students, volunteers and staff from across the departments. NSS Programme Coordinator, Prof. Mohammad Fariyad along with his NSS colleagues organized the event successfully. Prof. Fariyad reminded participants that if we took care of nature then would take care of us. He stressed on judicious use of natural resources, be it water, wood, food or any other mundane goods that come from nature.

#### 7. Anti Terrorism Day

NSS Cell of MANUU observed Anti-Terrorism Day on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019. The Anti-Terrorism Day is observed throughout the country on 21st May every year. The day was marked by a pledge taking ceremony. In this programme, students from across the departments along with staff members from teaching and non-teaching community of MANUU took a "Pledge". While remembering recent acts of terrorism on the Indian soil, participants condemned such heinous acts of cowardice and terrorism. NSS Programme Coordinator Prof. Fariyad told participants that the objective behind observing Anti-Terrorism Day is to bring awareness among students and youth regarding terrorism and violence, and the damage it does to the life, property and country.

As part of the programme, an informal discussion was organized urging participants to express their views and opinions on terrorism and violence. It emerged from the discussion that violence in any form must not be tolerated, may it be domestic violence, sexual harassment, bullying, online abuse, or terrorism. At the same time, it was proposed that students right from primary classes must be sensitized about these topics for a healthy and safe India. And teachings of non-violence be imparted to young minds.

#### 8. Educational Awareness Programme

NSS Cell MANUU organized an Educational Awareness Campaign for Urdu speaking community in different parts of Hyderabad this year too following a success previous year. The team of NSS volunteers went door-to-door in the main streets of three areas, namely Tolichowki, Golconda and Shaikpet. The programme was organized from 02.03.2019 to 10.03.2019 and about 100 NSS volunteers took part in it.

Under this Campaign, NSS volunteers interacted with residents, businessmen, traders and passersby in these localities. They conveyed them about significance of education, and the educational opportunities that Maulana Azad National Urdu University offers to students. It was conveyed that the University has state-of-the-art infrastructure, modern classrooms, well-maintained hostel and mess. In addition, there are scholarship programmes for students from state and central governments and various NGOs. Volunteers distributed handbills containing important information about the University.

#### 9. Swachchta Pakhwada

MANUU organized 15-day long 'Swachhta Pakhwada' from 01-09-2018 to 15-09-2018 in the campus. Various activities were taken up as part of the cleanliness drive. Jal Shakti Team, comprising students and staff members, was constituted. NSS Programme Officers, NSS



volunteers, students and staff members identified possible avenues for water conservation and rain water harvesting in the campus, planted saplings and did gardening to improve water retention and rain water harvesting. Prof. Mohammad Fariyad, NSS Programme Coordinator, spoke about importance of efficient use of water in daily life. He pressed on the need to learn judicious use of water. He asked NSS volunteers to go on locality-wise water conservation drives at individual levels to bring awareness. As part of the Swachhta Pakhwada, a Poster/Sketch competition was organized highlighting the importance of water conservation for students and staff.

#### 10. Swachch Bharat Summer Internship

The NSS Cell of MANUU under took Swachch Bharat Summer Internship from 1st June to 31st July, 2018 during last summer vacation the University organized Swachh Bharat Summer Internship Programme by students for promoting cleanliness drive from 10th June to 31st July, 2019 during summer vacation. Qualified students for this internship were eligible for Two (2) academic credits like an optional paper. In this regard, a plan of action is proposed for 50 hours Swachhta related activities in Swachh Bharat Summer Internship Programme 2019 for sensitizing students, teaching and non-teaching staff, community members of a village nearby the University campus. The NSS volunteers organized awareness campaigns around better sanitation practices like using a toilet, hand washing, health and hygiene awareness etc. They also performed Nukkad Natak or Street Plays around Swachhta and went door-to-door to bring behaviour change regarding sanitation.

#### 11. Swachhta Hi Seva

MANUU organized Swachhta hi Seva from 15th September to 2nd October, 2018. The University had constituted a committee for organizing Swachhta Hi Seva Campaign in MANUU. The committee in collaboration with University NSS Cell organized various events and activities of cleanliness at University Campus as well Surroundings of campus in Hyderabad.



Cleaning of bushes, offices, classrooms, hostels and open places of campus organized. In this regard certificate of appreciation given for best hostel room, best office in regard to cleanliness. Apart from this, various activities like Nukkad Natak, Awareness Rally, Cleanliness drive in and outside the campus, Poster making, Sketch competitions, elocution and essay writing etc. with respect to Swachhta is also organized for students. NSS volunteers played Nukkad Natak namely 'Kura Mohalla' directed by Mr. Meraj Ahmad, Assistant Professor, MCJ at various places of in the University campus such as Bab-e-Ilm (Main Gate), Admin Building, Front lawn of Central Library, Tea point (opposite boys hostel) as well as outside campus like in front of L&T Building, Telecom Nagar Vegetable market etc. Nukkad Natak was highly appreciated by common people. The student were acted very well and spread the message of cleanliness. Registrar Dr. M.A. Sikandar lead the Swachhta hi Seva rally from Bab-e-Ilm (Main Gate) to nearby vegetable market Telecom Nagar. Students conducted special meetings to drive behaviour change with respect to cleanliness, sanitation and open deification behaviour. A large number of teachers, students and staff took active participation in the campaign. On this occasion, Registrar addressed the gathering and said that cleanliness with home and outside home is duty of each and every individual.

#### 12. Vigilance Awareness Week

In compliance to letter from UGC, MHRD (D.O.No.F 30-57/2012 (CVO), dated



16th October, 2018 and O.M. No. C-34013/5/2018-Vig. dated- 23rd October, 2018 and P. Daniel, Additional Secretary, Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), India, S. No. 018/VGL/033/395736, dated- 24-09-2018 has been received by the University to organize

Vigilance Awareness Week from 29th October to 3rd November 2018.

Prof. Mohammad Fariyad, Programme Coordinator administered "Integrity Pledge" for students, staff and faculty members. A panel discussion was organized for students on theme 'Eradicate Corruption-Build a New India'. Also a lecture of expert was organized on role of students in making India corruption free. NSS volunteers and other students participated in poster making competition on "Corruption Free India", slogan writing on "Corruption Free Society", essay writing competition on "How can we make our country corruption free?", quiz competition on "Indian Governance and Polity", and a debate on "Is it possible for any government to make India corruption free?" In addition, an awareness rally about Corruption Free India was organized in the campus.

#### 13. Pariksha Pe Charcha 2.0

The NSS Cell of MANUU organized Pariksha Pe Charcha 2.0 in compliance to the communication received from UGC-MHRD (Letter No. D. O. No. F. 14-1/2019(CPP-II)) dated 9th January 2019. On this occasion, the University observed live program on "Pariksha Pe Charcha 2.0" in the campus where Hon'ble Prime Minister of India interacted with students, teachers and parents at 11a.m on 29th Jan 2019 at Sayad Hamid Library auditorium. Through the live telecast, the Prime Minister addressed the nation including MANUU students staff present in the campus. The event was hosted/chaired by Prof. Sajid Jamal, Controller of Examination, MANUU including other administrative staff of the University. Along with students even administrative staff, teaching and non-teaching staff, NSS volunteers participated in the event.

In this event of "PARIKSHA PE CHARCHA 2. 0" by Hon'ble prime minister live message in the campus was witnessed by large gathering of MANUU staff and

students. In this process of attending the media message Hon'ble prime minister everyone in the campus took part with enthusiasm, which includes the students of the diffrent departments specially Department of Arabic, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication, Department of CS & IT, Department of Commerce and Business Management, Department of Urdu, Department of English, Department of Education and Training, Department of women studies, Department of Economic, Department of History, Department of sociology, Department of Social Work, Department of Political Science, Department of Islamic Studies, Department of Persian, Department of science and technology, Department of Polytechnic, Department of Translation studies.

In this Program of PARIKSHA PE CHARCHA, Hon'ble prime minister spoke very well, and gave his valuable suggestion, remedies and alternative solution with his personal experience and observation to kick out the exam stress addressing students, parents and teachers. He said that students should always try to run behind the knowledge not behind the marks to keep themselves stress free, because exams are just an opportunity to evaluate yourself but definitely exams are not the life. He said addressing parents that they should not put pressure on their children by saying him/her to score high and said not to pressurise their children to achieve the goals which they have failed to achieve in their student life and warnned parents not to compare their achievment with others. To the teachers he said that not to do partiality by showing more interest at certain particular students because that also create a depression mode in students, so teachers responsibility is to treat all the students equally.

Hon'ble prime minister also suggested students to keep high goal, evaluate your own progress not with the others achievements, keep competition with yourselves that will lead to the ultimate success. Keeping high goals and dreams and failing to achieve them is not a fault but the bigger fault is to keep low aims, living a blank life. So I request you to dream high and struggle to the level that you can to achieve them. And keep the dreams which you are able to achieve not the things which you can't reach. Follow your passion, try to evaluate and analyse in what you are good at. Speak to your favorite teacher about career guidance they will guide you properly because they may be knowing well, what you can do the best. He suggested student to listen to their parents when they say something which they may feel annoying and try to avoid reacting to their words. After listening with patience try to speak to them after some time about the issue, parents will understand you.

Parents should not completely apart children from the technology, infact they should allow them to know the technology because it is very important in this technological world. And suggested student not to spend all the time with technology but to go out, shout and play, play in such a way that you start sweating because that's very essential part of the growth of children and this keeps students stress free. Do every activity with concern and time management.

In this program questions were asked by students, parents and teachers all over the nation and our Hon'ble minister spoke everything all around answering to the questions asked by the audience and people from far with video clippings. Students enjoyed his talk. He made students laugh at times and said not to feel this as a program but feel it as an informal personal conversation.

The participants teachers of Orientation Course at UGC-HRDC, MANUU also took part in the programme. As well participants of workshop jointly organized by UGC-HRDC and Dept. of Education & Training was also took active participation in the programme.

After the program participants enjoyed high tea arranged by the University. The event was organized under the banner of NSS Coordinator Dr. Mohammed Fariyad with his official colleague members of NSS Cell.

#### 14. Azad Day Celebrations

As part of annual Maulana Azad Birth Celebrations, the NSS Cell of MANUU



organized
Azad Run on occasions from Communication
Students in participated in organised on 9th in the



Azad Walk and two distinct Dept. of Mass and Journalism. large number Azad Walk November 2018 University.

Similarly, Azad Run was organized on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018. In addition, a Photo Exhibition on Maulana Azad was inaugurated by Honorable Vice Chancellor Dr. Mohammad Aslam Parvaiz on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in Polytechnic Building. Addressing the students and participants, Dr Parvaiz said that the teachings and writings of Maulana Azad are still relevant. He noted that his personality and works have the potential to inspire many young minds. The exhibition displayed his quotations and various collages, images, portraits and paintings on the life and works of Maulana Azad. These works of students were in multiple languages including Urdu, Hindi, English, Arabic, Oriya, Persian, Telugu, Bengali and Kannada.

#### 15. Rock Walk

Heat and early afternoon timing were no obstacle to the enthusiasm of the Rock Walkers on this March Sunday, the 17<sup>th</sup>. First, a few members of the Society and some newcomers arrived at our meeting point, the tall Islamic-style gateway of the Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), then a number of faculty and staff members, followed by a big group of students, mainly from the National Service Scheme (NSS) group. And from there, it seemed like nothing was going to dampen the

spirits of the crowd with the young in majority.

Staring on the massive boulder behind the canteen

which affords an exciting panoramic view of the surrounding Gachibowli area and the Fakhruddin beyond, scrambling up and down the great formation along the periphery of the magnificent campus of the University was a unique experience for everyone. The not so sporty participants were helped up steep surfaces.

After a short glimpse at the Khajaguda Talab at the far end of the campus, a visit to the two Heritage Rocks "Pathar Dil" and "United-we-stand" was a must. The University has not only put up signboards and directions for these rocks, but also illuminated the Pathar Dil Rock at night! A great tribute by them to our 2,500 million year old rock formations. The final get - together at the Department of Communication saw all the students, teachers and other Rock Walkers relaxing with refreshments and exchanging their views on the outing, appreciating the opportunity to get out into nature and learn more about the rocks and the campus of the MANUU. Dr. Md. Fariyad, Professor Communications and coordinator of the NSS Cell, was thanked for making this experience possible.

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