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The tempo of social service was once again upheld by the NSS volunteers of Bharati College. The volunteers commitment towards social cause found avenues through various activities and events organized in the campus and outside. To create awareness of healthy mind and body, volunteers participated in the Yoga Sessions organized through the help of Bhartiya Yoga Sansthan on the occasion of International Yoga Day. To ease the admission process and to be of continuous help to the candidates seeking admission in the various courses students volunteered in shifts throughout the admission period. The academic session began with an orientation session for the new volunteers who were eager to become a part of NSS family. The volunteers who had been actively working addressed the students about National Service Scheme and urged them to be committed to the cause. Few experiences were also shared who had been regularly participating that the various activities along with social service lead to personal grooming as well.

Swachhta Pakhwara was conducted by NSS unit, Bharati College from 1-15th August 2017. The campaign for cleanliness began with a pledge administered to the students and staff of the college. Teachers addressed the gathering on the cleanliness and hygiene and the importance of volunteering to achieve self-satisfaction. During the next couple of days volunteers

approached their friends in the college and neighbourhood on the importance of clean surroundings and contributing ones effort towards it. Group of ten volunteers for the next couple of days contributed their services in cleaning the specific areas of the college. Volunteers also visited a nearby dispensary and the adopted slum in Shankar Garden and highlighted to the people to maintain hygiene and cleanliness in their surrondings at all times to remain healthy. Enthusiastic volunteers, principal and other staff members of the college participated in a rally organized on 14th August. Volunteers shouted slogans, carried placards on swachhta in the campus and outside on the streets. The day was apt as it coincided with the Independence Day celebration in the college and volunteers did not miss the opportunity to strive for a clean and healthy India.

To Commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Quit India Movement a pledge was undertaken on August 9,2017 by the students and staff to refresh the motto of Quit India Movement and once again commit ourselves to get rid of the ill practices plaguing our society. NSS Day was celebrated at Bharati College on 25.09.2017. Volunteers in numbers showed their competitive spirits by taking part in the "alternative NSS Motto". Well versed with the message of NSS, volunteers gave their suggestions through this competition on channelizing youth energy striving towards a better society. Volunteers also participated in cleaning the campus thus reminding once again on this day of persistent effort towards cleanliness.

Students volunteered to help the participants in The Indian Library Conference held at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi in the month of October. Students also attended a workshop on Road Safety organized at IIT, New Delhi. Students were engaged in an interactive session on road safety and suggestions were invited to make our roads safe for the commuters.

This year too NSS volunteer from the college was selected after an interview conducted at NSS DU, to represent Delhi University at the National Integration Camp held at Shimla. Shweta Sharma was thrilled to participate in the six day camp where she participated in many activities and won the heart of the judges through her creative ideas, drawings and colours.

A motivational talk was given by Prerna Bhatia organized in the month of September. Ms. Bhatia charged the group of students by focusing on admiring oneself and finding positivity in the surroundings. The students shared with her their attitude towards life and imbibing a changed view about themselves. The webcast of Prime Minister address to the students in an event titled 'Young India, New India, from Sanklap to Siddhi' as part of Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay centenary celebrations. The PM reiterated the principle of Antyodhya, an initiative to bring inclusive growth and transform our country. This year too we invited an NGO Antardrishti to put up their products for sale and admire the beauty and novelty of the products made by visually challenged boys and girls. Volunteers gathered at the Indira Gandhi Stadium to save our depleting rivers. The call given by Sadhguru to save the dying rivers spread across 16 states for 30 days culminated on 2nd October 2107 in New Delhi with a pledge to rally for rivers urging the government to implement a positive river policy. One of the volunteers made a collage on the important cause and placards were distributed and the students were urged to give a missed call to register their votes thereby compelling the authorities to take immediate steps to save our rivers. To raise the concern of environment pollution due to fire crackers during Diwali time

the unit staged a nukkad natak 'Say No to Crackers', in the college as well as in the Dstrict Centre, Janak puri to sensitize the public on the harmful effects of burning crackers is to harm our health. Later in the day a human chain was formed with students holding placards outside the college to grab the attention of the passersby.

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas was observed by the NSS unit, Bharati College on 31st October 2017 to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. The event began with a pledge on unity, to dedicate oneself on the unity, integrity and security of the nation. NSS volunteers and students of the college also took part in the run for unity. A tribute was paid to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel by staging a nukkad natak on the ideals of unity and integrity of the nation.

To spread electoral awareness and enhancing electoral literacy especially amongst youth, Systematic Voters Education Electoral Participation Programme(SVEEPP) college ambassadors attended a workshop organized by the election Commission of India. Earlier in July Janak Puri Election Commission made Voters electoral cards of the students, teaching and non-teaching staff of the college so far not enlisted in the voters list. A workshop was organized by NSS DU to highlight the importance of human values in a highly competitive world. The same was attended by two volunteers of NSS from the college. Volunteers also made an attempt to get selected for the Republic Day Parade. They participated in a day long sport events at the Chattrasal Stadium, Delhi. To uphold the ideals of Communal harmony the principal and staff of the college distributed stickers to each other of Communal unity thus reminding ourselves to respect the diverse and enriched culture of India and to join hands together for the progress of all. Yuva Diwas, National Youth Day was celebrated on 12th January 2018. Few volunteers chose

to speak on the ideals and philosophy of Swami Vivekanand thus pondering on the vision of Swamiji at a young age and with his bold speech delivered at the Worlds Parliament of Religion, Chicago leaving an everlasting impression on the world of an emerging young India. A documentary movie on the life and times of Swami Vivekanand was screened in the college.

The NSS unit conducted a ten day Self-defence training programme for the students with the help of Women Protection Cell, Delhi Police. More than hundred students got the training in self-protection from an untoward situation demanding urgent help. A volunteer from the college was selected to participate in the Khello India, an initiative started by the Government of India to motivate children to take sports as part of their routine. She was part of the sports presentation team and helped in executing various activities for the participants. A group of students teamed up at the Connaught Circus to form a human chain to show concern towards sexual exploitation and harassment of women. Two volunteers have been offered to avail the free digital library membership of the British Council for one year.

Volunteers have been regularly visiting the Shankar Garden slum adopted by the unit. They actively engage the kids in fun and learning games and activities. At times they have counselled adolescent girls on personal and oral hygiene. Students have been volunteering in college library, student union festival, department festivals. Few volunteers have been consistently volunteering as writers for students of x and xii to write their CBSE board exams.

NSS unit has been continuously striving to volunteer and oraganising various activities to raise its concern. The year long activities have been efficiently executed by the entire team of the NSS. However the tireless effort and zeal of Utkarsha Khanna and Soumya Malhotra in

mobilizing the students is appreciable. Finally I would like to extend my thanks to my committee members who from time to time have been contributing their efforts and suggestions.

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