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N.S.S. UNIT

Report of Special camping activity 2016-17

The NSS unit of our college organized a special residential camp from 29th November , 2016 to 5th December, 2016. This 07 days residential camp was conducted at Village Belkadi, Post - Kaman, Tal - Vasai, Dist. - Thane. A total of 52 N.S.S. volunteers accompanied by 2 N.S.S. Programme Officers participated in this camp.

During the camp the following activities were conducted:-

1. Village Mapping : Under the guidance of Mr. Santosh Chatura Babu Mekale, Ph D student of TISS volunteers did a mapping of Belkadi village.
2. Vermicomposting Plant : During the camp the major projects were reactivating the Vermicompost plant which is being maintained at camp site. It was done as a model for the villagers. Vermicomposting reduces the air pollution of burning the dry leaves and gives better organic compost. Volunteers constructed a vermicompost plant at the camp site.
3. Swachhata abhiyan : During the camp the volunteers cleaned village roads, school premises in the Belkadi village The school children and village elders were approached to make them aware about significance of cleanliness in the overall development of the village. They were also informed about ill effects of open defecation and were encouraged to emphasis on construction of toilet blocks. Students also made soak pits near the public bore well and some houses.

4. Road Cleaning and beautifying : The path used by the villagers to the public well was levelled and beautified. That was the only well in the village from which they collect drinking water. The approaching road to the camp site also was cleared and widened.
5. Tree Plantation : Three saplings of Mango tree and two saplings of Litchi was planted, watered and fenced.
6. Visit to the Balwadi: Volunteers also conducted educational and sports activities with school children in the adopted village of Belkadi. The school children were given recycled notebooks. Small refreshment was also organised for the children.
7. Yoga and exercise : The regular activities that were conducted in camp were daily morning physical exercise for boys and Yoga session for girls. The yoga session was conducted by Mrs. Sony Paul. Different asanas and kriyas are demonstrated and volunteers practiced that. This energised volunteers for day long activities.
8. Other Activities: There were also cultural performances by volunteers in the evenings. There were other activities like group discussions, idea sharing, poem recitation etc.

During the camp university authorities visited the camp site and appreciated the efforts being taken by the volunteers. The camp was visited by University NSS District Coordinator Shri Ketan Rawal, Area Co. Coordinator Pranav N Panchal .

The NSS residential camp is a unique opportunity for all volunteers to develop their leadership qualities and team spirit. They also get an opportunity to get evolved with the local community and to contribute for the development of the society. All these objectives were completely fulfilled during this camp.
