

REPORT 2008 – 2009

ENVIRONMENT AWARENESS PROGRAMME

The NSS Unit organized a Power Point Presentation by three volunteers on *Global Warming* followed by the screening of Al Gore's award-winning film *AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH*. on 7th April 2008.

WORLD AIDS DAY

AIDS Awareness Programme on the 26th of November 2008. Dr. Kajal Krishna Banik & Dr. Atrayee Chakraborty made a presentation on the subject.

COLLABORATION WITH NGOs.

1) CINI ASHA

CHILD LITERACY PROGRAMME

A **workshop** on Non-formal Education for Out-of school children on *Child Rights And Some Innovative Methods Of Teaching Children* on 3rd December 2008.

24 NSS volunteers were selected to participate in the project entitled **EACH ONE TEACH ONE PROJECT**.

CONSULTATION ON EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

A one-day programme to evaluate the reaction of educational institutions to Millenium Developmet Goals held on 13.03.09 at Park Hotel. The NSS Programme Officer, a member of the faculty representing the NSS Committee and 4 volunteers participated in the seminar.

2) ANTARA GRAM, GOBINDOPUR, SOUTH 24 PARGANAS.

Twenty volunteers continued to assist in Aesthetic Therapy Unit at this institution for the care of the mentally challenged. They were awarded certificates

3) CANCER AWARENESS PROGRAMME in collaboration with DR. REDDY'S LABORATORIES LTD was held on 2nd December 2008 was held in the College Auditorium. The speaker Dr. Tapti Sen from B.P. PODDAR HOSPITAL addressed the issue of breast cancer.

4) ROTARY CLUB, RABINDRA SAROBAR, KOLKATA.

The NSS Unit and the Nature Club of the College in collaboration with the Rotary Club of Rabindra Sarobar organized a seminar on WATER CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT SANITATION on the 12th of February at 11a.m. in Room 303.

Dr. Ashish Majumdar, Director, School of Water Resources Engg. Jadavpur University & Prof. Arunabha Majumdar, Former Director, All Indian Institute of Hygiene & Public Health, Kolkata would be making a presentation on the subject.

5) AT SSKM HOSPITAL (A GOVERNMENT RUN HOSPITAL)

Ten students volunteered their services at the Outdoor Dept. of Endocrinology. After completing the official formalities regarding their identity cards etc. they attended an orientation programme on 4.4.09. Thereafter they submitted their lecture notes to the doctor concerned. From 5.04.09 they began assisting the doctor and the dietician at the Outdoor Dept. of Endocrinology. The volunteers attend the clinic on Wednesdays.

6) ST. JOSEPH'S OLD AGE HOME:-

11 volunteers are engaged in the project with this institution.

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NSS SPECIAL CAMPING PROGRAMME

In collaboration with CINI-ASHA the Special Camp was held from 24.01.09 to 30.01.09. The 7 day camp was held at *Hamara Ghar* a social work centre of Cini Asha . The children of Ward Nos. 58, 62 & 21 were the beneficiaries. The theme of the camp was “Healthy Youth for Healthy India”.

The following were the activities during the Special Camp:-

- Discussion of Methodologies with Co-trainers of Cini Asha
- Sensitization of Children & Adolescents on the following issues
 - ❖ Health related challenges faced by children – General Health, Hygiene,
 - ❖ Basic Cleanliness, Environmental Cleanliness
 - ❖ Nutrition – Daily Food Habit
 - ❖ Adolescent Health – Physical & Mental Changes – Some features of growing up.
 - ❖ Drug Abuse – Different types of drugs & their effects
 - ❖ Child Abuse – Physical, Mental, & Sexual & Self Protection
 - ❖ HIV AIDS – Definition, Symptoms of RTI/STI/STD, routes of transmission, Prevention
 - ❖ Cultural activities – Drawing, singing, dancing
 - ❖ Literacy Programme
 - ❖ Survey of households in the area as per questionnaire on facilities for drinking water, literacy rate etc.
 - ❖ Sports activities
 - ❖ Children’s Picnic
 - ❖ Environment Awareness Programme

WORKSHOP OF NSS ON NATIONAL INTEGRITY

The Principal, Programme Officer and 5 volunteers attended the workshop organized by Calcutta University on 8.09.2009 at the Centenary Auditorium, College Street Campus.

CELEBRATION OF NSS DAY

On 24th September 2009, NSS Day was celebrated in the college. A Debate: *The 21st Century is still a Man's World* was held. The Best Speaker was awarded a book prize.

INDEPENDENCE DAY & REPUBLIC DAY

The NSS volunteers participated in flag hoisting followed by cultural programme in the college campus.

BLOOD DONATION CAMP

A Blood Donation camp was organized by the NSS Unit and the B.Ed. Dept. in conjunction with the West Bengal Blood Donors Association on 16.01.09.

DONATIONS

Donations were made to the following organizations:-

BLIND PERSONS' ASSOCIATION, KOLKATA – 7 almirahs, 5 tables, 20 chairs, and 15 desks for Braille press and library project of their association.

ST. JOSEPH'S OLD AGE HOME:-

A sum of Rs. 4315.00 was collected by the volunteers from students of the college and donated for the welfare of the Home.