



NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur

Annual Report 2023-24

National service Scheme provides diversified opportunities to students in colleges and universities to develop their personality through community services. Community services rendered by university level students have covered several aspects like adoption of villages for intensive development work, mass tree plantation, technology transfer programmes, technologies for rural development, various training programmes for self-help groups and rural youth etc. The NSS unit of Gangadhar Meher University organized various social activities during the year 2023-24.

1. Road Safety Week (1st January to 7th January 2024)

On 7.01.2024, NSS wing of Gangadhar Meher University in coordination with Road Transport Department, Government of Odisha, Traffic Department, Government of Odisha organised a massive campaign and awareness programme on road safety, how to decrease road accidents, why to wear helmet and seat belt while driving, the speed limit of driving, how to obey traffic rules while driving, to make public aware about the bad effect of misconduct of driving under the guidance of GMU NSS Coordinator, Dr Atula Kumar Pradhan, GMU NSS Programme Officers Dr.Minaketan Bag and Dr. .Neena Dash, NSS Programme Officer. Seventy(70) NSS boys volunteers and 62 NSS girls volunteers participated in the programme. In this program, the awareness rally started from the main gate of Gangadhar Meher University to Laxmi talkies street of Sambalpur and came back to Gangadhar Meher University after conduction of the programme. Volunteers of NSS gave rose flower to those who obeyed the traffic rules. Those who did not obey traffic rules while driving two wheelers or four wheelers etc., they were given proper advice for driving the vehicle, wearing helmet while driving the two wheelers, four wheelers and not wearing the seatbelt while driving the car. Those who were not wearing the helmets or seatbelts, they were given proper advice. Four groups of NSS volunteers with 25-30 volunteers each marked the event at different traffic posts and organised the programme. Other volunteers checked helmet and checked seat belts. GMU NSS Coordinator, Dr. Atul Kumar Pradhan highlighted about the purpose of road safety, the effects of misconducts of bad driving, and gave insight on obeying traffic rules to the public and the students. RTO officer, Shri Ram Das Tuddu and Traffic DSP, Narendra Kumar Sarangi also encouraged the public and students to obey traffic rules and wear helmet, wear seat belt and motivated NSS volunteers for organising this programme.

Officer In charge:

Dr. Atula Kumar Pradhan, Coordinator

Dr. Neena Dash, Programme Officer

Dr.Minaketan Bag, Programme Officer

Number of Volunteers participated: 125

No. of professional participants: 20

Resource Persons Name:

Shri. Ramdas Tudu, RTO Sambalpur, Commerce & Transport Department,
Government of Odisha.

Narendra Kumar Sarangi, DSP, Traffic, Sambalpur, Home dept. Govt. of Odisha







2. NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

The observance of National Youth Day was celebrated on 8.00 a.m. dated 12/01/2024 by the NSS wing, Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur collaboration with the Sambalpur Charitable School of Yoga and Nature cure, Sambalpur at the Quadrangle of Gandhar Meher University, Sambalpur. Dr. Atul Kumar Pradhan introduced the guests and delivered a talk on the importance of the day. After introduction of guests Dr. Pradhan, NSS Programme Coordinator, GMU called the name of winning students, who participated in the competitions, Debate, Essay and Yoga performances, which was organized a day before the celebration of National Youth Day. Dr. Jayadev Meher accentuated the importance of yoga in nation building and how yoga play a significant role in moral and spiritual development among the performers. Mrs. Jugaleswari Dash, Registrar, GMU emphasized the significance of the role of youth in nation building, exemplifying leaders Like Swami Vivekananda and his contribution to make the society better. Prof. Sushant Kumar Dash highlighted about the His ideal of Vivekananda and how it is a weapon to remove all darkness. Prof. Sushant Kumar Dash highlighted about the His ideal of Vivekananda and how it is a weapon to remove all darkness. At the end Dr. Minaketan Bag gave vote of thanks after moderating the speeches of the guests.

Officer In charge:

Dr. Atula Kumar Pradhan, Coordinator

Dr. Neena Dash, Programme Officer

Dr. Minaketan Bag, Programme Officer

Number of Volunteers participated: 120

No. of professional participants: 12

Resource Persons Name:

Dr Jayadev Meher, Yoga Teacher, Sambalpur Charitable School of Yoga and Nature cure Satya Narayan Thakur, Lecturer & social worker, Sambalpur Charitable School of Yoga and Nature cure.







3. Sickle Cell Anaemia Elimination Awareness Drive (19th June to 03rd July)

The World Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Day is observed on 19th June every year. This Mission entails focus on awareness creation, universal screening of approximately 7 crore people in the 0-40 years age group in the affected tribal areas and counselling through collaborative efforts of Central ministries and State Governments. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is a partnering Ministry in the implementation of the Mission and has been assigned the task *inter alia* of awareness generation about the disease. NSS unit of GM University organized an awareness programme on 19-06-2024.

Officer In charge:

Dr. Atula Kumar Pradhan, Coordinator

Number of Volunteers participated: 20

No. of professional participants: 37

Resource Persons Name:

Dr Pradosh Acharya, Asst.Professor, School of Botany, Gangadhar Meher University, Sambalpur



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4. Outreach programme on Jaundice and Water Borne Diseases

NSS unit of GM University organized an outreach programme on Jaundice and Water Borne Diseases on 30th June 2024 at Sambalpur. In this programme the local people are taught about the causes, symptoms, and prevention of waterborne diseases. People are advised to wash their hands with soap and clean water, especially before and after eating and using the toilet. Our volunteers advised the people to cook food thoroughly, store food safely, and avoid eating raw or undercooked food.

Officer In charge:

Dr. Atula Kumar Pradhan, Coordinator

Dr. Neena Dash, Programme Officer

Number of Volunteers participated: 35

No. of professional participants: 15

Resource Persons Name:

Dr Gyana Ranjan Mohanty, , Epidemiologist, District Medical, Sambalpur







5. Mega Seed Ball Festival

A mega seed ball festival is an event where people make seed balls to help the environment. Seed balls are made from soil and other natural materials, and then thrown in an environment where they can grow into trees. Volunteers prepared more than one thousand seed ball in the Utility Building of GMU campus.

Officer In charge:

Dr. Atula Kumar Pradhan, Coordinator

Dr. Neena Dash, Programme Officer

Number of Volunteers participated: 40

No. of professional participants: 5

Resource Persons Name:

Prof.Sushanta Das, PGC, GM University, Sambalpur





