



BETHUNE COLLEGE

NSS Unit



Annual Report

June 2021 –

August 2022

Annual Report of NSS Activities of Bethune College

(April 2021 to March 2022)

Introduction

The National Service Scheme (NSS) is an Indian government sector public service program conducted by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports of the Government of India. Popularly known as NSS, the scheme was launched in Gandhiji's Centenary year in 1969. Aimed at developing student's personality through community service, NSS is a voluntary association of young people in Colleges, Universities and at +2 level working for a campus-community linkage.

NSS activities of Bethune College is multidirectional. NSS Volunteers have been combining the best of academic pursuit with co-curricular and social activities under the banner of NSS. In spite of the present COVID pandemic, NSS Volunteers and members were involved in yearlong activities including distribution of stationaries, mask, sanitizer to street children, new clothes to an orphanage, health camp, webinars and seminars, preparation of e-magazine, campus and toilet cleanliness and special camp (08.03.2022-14.03.2022). The Bratachari Course for NSS Volunteers has been initiated by the Special Secretary, Higher Education Department and Bethune College has been selected as the 1st college for such venture. A MoU was signed between Bethune College Sammilani and Bengal Bratachari Society, Kolkata for Bratachari Certificate Course of NSS Volunteers of the Bethune College on 24.04.2021 for 2 years on renewal basis. The first course was completed on 12.03.2022.

Regular Activities

1. Distribution of old clothes among the Slum dwellers on 12th April, 2021: Old clothes were collected from the teachers and students of the college and were distributed among the pavement dwellers at the Ramdulal Street area from the college campus on 12.04.2021.

2. Workshop on Bratachari on 24th April, 2021: NSS unit of Bethune college continues Green initiative by distributing saplings to the members of Bengal Bratachari Society. An Workshop on 'Bratachari, the Famous Cultural Practice in West Bengal' was organised on 24.04.2021 by NSS Unit, Bethune College in collaboration with Bengal Bratachari Society for Physical and Mental Skill Development of the Faculty Members and Non-teaching Staff.

3. Orientation Programme for UG Semester-2 Students on 4th June, 2021: On 04.06.2021 an Orientation Programme was organised for the UG semester-2 students. Dr Lina Sen, delivered a wonderful speech highlighting the importance of NSS activities for the students.

4. World Environment Day Celebration on 5th June, 2021: On the occasion of World Environment Day, 05.06.2021 posters (on environmental awareness) were prepared by the students of Bethune College and uploaded on the website. An e-magazine "Sangbed" was also created by the students of History department on environmental issues in association with NSS Unit Bethune College for World Environment Day 2021

5. Introductory lecture of Bratachari Course on 12th June, 2021: The Bratachari Course for NSS Volunteers has been initiated by the Special Secretary, Higher Education Department and Bethune College has been selected as the 1st college for such venture. Introductory lecture was organised on 12th June, 2021 through online mode from 5p.m. Several eminent speakers from Bengal Bratachari Society like **Prof. Shubhankar Sarkar (Chancellor, NSOU), Shri Dipak Kumar Badapanda (Chancellor, Ashutosh Museum of Indian Art), Shri Banibrata Mukhopadhyay (Additional Secretary, Bratachari Society) including Special Secretary, Shri Siladitya Basu Ray** were present. Classes were organised via online and offline modes (15.12.2021, 19.02.2022 and 12.03.2022) throughout the academic session. The course for the first batch of NSS Volunteers was completed on 12.03.2022.

6. Bethune Day and Banmahotsav 12th August 2021: This year NSS unit have taken the responsibility of the Banmahotsav programme on the eve of Bethune Day Celebration, 12.08.2021. Shrubs like Jarul, Hibiscus, Rangan, Amla plants were donated by the Rotary Club of Ganga Heritage, Kolkata and were planted in the college premises by the Sammilani members, teaching and non-teaching staffs of the college.

7. 75th Independence Day Observation on 15th August, 2021: This year the NSS unit in collaboration with Student Activity Cell actively organized the independence day on 15.08.2021. The flag hoisting programme was followed by a short plantation programme by honourable Principal madam, TCS, teaching and non-teaching staffs to commemorate the 75th independence day of our nation. **Sanitizers, masks, soaps and biscuits were distributed** to the slum dwellers of Ramdulal Street from the college gate. Also to know about the present vaccination and COVID status of the teaching and non-teaching staffs, a vaccination record drive was taken.

8. Distribution of stationeries to the school children of the street dwellers on 25th August 2021: On 25.08. 2021, an initiative has been taken by the NSS unit of the college to distribute stationeries (copies, pen, pencil, color) to the school going children of the street dwellers of nearby Ramdulal Street and Bidhan Sarani from the college gate. Stationaries were distributed to the children of 4-16 years age.

9. Distribution of old clothes on 22nd September, 2021: Old clothes were distributed among the slum dwellers of Bidhan Sarani on 22.09.2021 at 1p.m.

10. NSS Day celebration on 23-24th September, 2021: An online program was organized for the NSS volunteers on 23.09. 2021 from 5:30 pm. Inaugural speech was given by Prof. Krishna Roy, Principal, Bethune College. **Dr. Hiroj Kumar Saha**, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, Bethune College delivered a lecture on '**A general awareness about Dengue and its controlling measure**'. An online poster competition on the topic "**Pandemic, Poverty and Starvation: A socio-economic impact of COVID-19**" was also organised for the NSS volunteers on 24th September to celebrate NSS Day.

11. Distribution of new clothes to Orphanage on 4th October, 2021: The NSS Unit of Bethune College have distributed new clothes among the 51 children of the '**Nalta Arindam Welfare Society**' before Durga Puja on 4.10.2021. Stationaries (copies, pen, pencil, color) and food were also provided to the children by the faculty members of the college.

12. World Toilet Day Celebration on 22nd November, 2021: The NSS unit have organized a toilet cleaning and maintenance drive to celebrate **World Toilet Day** on 22.11.2021. Poster with Toilet Rules were prepared by the NSS volunteers and circulated and posted on student toilets of the college from 1:30-2:30 p.m.

13. Campus cleaning and maintenance drive on 23rd November, 2021: On 23rd November, the NSS unit have organized a **campus cleaning and maintenance drive** on 22.11.2021 with NSS volunteers, members of the NSS sub-committee and Staff of Bethune College at 1:30pm.

14. Awareness Program on College Biodiversity on, 29th and 30th November, 2021: An awareness program on **college biodiversity** was organized by the NSS unit in collaboration with Department of Botany on 29th and 30th November for the NSS volunteers of the. **Dr. Dipayan Chattopadhyay, Dr. Ashok Kumar Das and Dr. Seemanti Ghosh**, Department have shared their knowledge on the medicinal plant garden and the biodiversity of the college. Placards were posted for the plants to be maintained by the NSS unit.

15. Seminar on 'General Awareness about Female Reproductive Health' on 2nd December, 2021: Student's Activity cell in association with the NSS unit, Bethune College have organised a seminar on '**General Awareness about Female Reproductive Health**' on 02.12.2021 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Eminent Gynecologist and Medical director of Birth and Gynoscropy, **Dr. Goutam Khastagir** was the speaker on the above occasion.

16. Breast Awareness Program on 7th December, 2021: The NSS unit of Scottish Church College have jointly organized a Breast Awareness Webinar with the NSS unit of Bethune College in collaboration with HCG EKO Cancer Centre for female staffs and NSS volunteers on 7th December, 2021 from 4:30 pm onwards.

17. Posters on Human Right's Day Celebration, 14th December, 2021: NSS Volunteers have displayed some posters on Human Right's Day Celebration in College on 14.12.2021.

18. Webinar on "General health care wellness and fitness in current situation' on 6th January, 2022: A webinar on "**General health care wellness and fitness in current situation**" was organized in collaboration with Rotary club of Ganga Heritage and Shivananda Health Society, Kolkata on 06.01.2022 to celebrate the 6th day of Student's week.

19. 73rd Republic day Celebration on 26th January, 2022: 73rd Republic day was celebrated by NSS unit in collaboration with Student Activity Cell of the college on 26.01.2022. Flag hoisting was followed by Principal's speech and short cultural program by the teaching and non-teaching staffs of the college and ended with National anthem and planting of saplings in the college premises. An E-magazine "**Jagoroni**" created by the NSS Volunteers based on Swami Vivekananda to celebrate "**National Youth Day**"

was also released as a part of Republic Day Celebration 2022. Online student's program video "**Chiro Unnoto Shir**" was also released on the official YouTube channel of the college.

20. Volunteering in college events: NSS Volunteers took active participation in volunteering book fair on International Mother language day (21.02.2022) and Annual College Sports (24.02.2022).

21. Old cloth distribution: Old clothes were distributed among street dwellers of Bidhan Sarani on 11.04.2022 from 3:00 p.m.

22. Orientation Program: Orientation Program was organized on 21.04.2022 for UG Semester II Volunteers. Speaker was Prof. Krishna Roy, Principal, Bethune College, Kolkata.

23. Old cloth distribution: Old clothes were handed over to Dr. Kumkum Chattopdhyay, Ex-Associate Professor and Alumna, Bethune College and member of Sukanta Pally Aponojon Society on 12.05.2022. The clothes were further distributed by the society to children and women of Chanpur, Korapara village, Hooghly.

24. Participation in NSS Workshop: 12 NSS Volunteers were participated in "one-day NSS workshop" organized by Ramakrishna Mission, Swami Vivekananda's ancestral house and cultural centre on 12th May, 2022.

25. World Environment Day Celebration: Students from NSS and Student Activity Cell participated in the "World Environment Day" Program and Quiz contest at Science City Auditorium on 5th June, 2022 organized by West Bengal Pollution Board. NSS Volunteers have planted saplings also at their home to celebrate the day.

Special Camp Activities

A seven day Special Camp was organized commencing from 08.03.2022 to 14.03.2022. Forty seven student volunteers from UG Semester-IV were participated in the Camp at Bethune college and Swikriti Sangha Club, Goabagan, Kolkata 700006. The programs include seminars, slum visit, awareness programs, organic manure production, campus cleanliness drive and health camp.

08.03.2022- Special camp was inaugurated by **NSS State Nodal Officer, Dr. Ramaprasad Bhattacharya** on 11 am at the Centenary Hall of the college. Dr Bhattacharya, delivered a wonderful speech highlighting the different aspects and importance of NSS activities for the students. To celebrate International Women's Day in the 2nd half from 2 p.m.- 4p.m a Seminar was organized jointly with the Centre for Women Studies and Department of the college. Students of Women Studies department spoke on different issues of women and **Dr. Mainak Chandra**, Assistant Professor, R G Kar Medical College delivered a speech and consulted on **"Orthopedic health issues of women"** giving emphasis on post-covid orthopedic issues of women.

09.03.2022- On the 2nd day of the special camp a **Health Camp** was organized from 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for students and staff of College in collaboration with **Rotary Club of Ganga Heritage, Kolkata and Shivananda Health Society**. Health checkups like Height, Weight, Blood Pressure, Eye, General health care, blood sugar, naturopathy and mental health care were arranged. About 163 persons including student and staff of the college were benefitted by the checkup.

10.03.2022- On the 3rd day of the special camp a one day workshop on **"Organic Compost Preparation-utilization of domestic waste"** was organized by the NSS unit in collaboration with Department of Botany and Chemistry under DBT STAR College Scheme. Vegetable wastes were brought by students from their houses and college canteen and organic manure unit was created under the guidance of faculty members of Department of Botany and Chemistry (**Dr. Seemanti Ghosh and Dr. Amita Kar**).

11.03.2022- On the 4th day, the NSS volunteers escorted by the NSS members, visited the adopted slum to sensitize the slum dwellers regarding women and child issues at 12 noon. They also shared their knowledge regarding **health and nutrition of women and children** of at least 32 families. They have also surveyed on the economic and education status of the families. On that day old clothes were collected from teachers and students of Bethune College and arranged for distribution among slum dwellers.

12.03.2022- On the 5th Day of the special camp a **campus cleanliness and maintenance drive** was taken by the NSS volunteers, members and staff of the college from 11 a.m onwards. From 2 p.m. a mask making workshop was arranged by the Bengal Bratachari Society. **Dr. Anusrita Mandal**, Assistant Professor, Surendranath College Kolkata was the resource person.

13.03.2022- On the 6th Day, the NSS volunteers, members and club members organized **'Sit and Draw', Dance and Recitation competition for Children and Conch blowing competition for women** in the slum area at Swikriti Sangha Club at Goabagan from 12 noon to 4pm. The members of the NSS committee gave away prizes to the winners of the different events

14.03.2022-On the final day of the camp, a program was jointly organized by the Human Rights Cell and NSS unit of the college. The NSS volunteers performed a **street play “Jagoron”** emphasizing the burning issues of women. Posters on Human Rights Awareness were also distributed to the departments and office of the college. The closing ceremony was followed by National Anthem.

Red Ribbon Activities

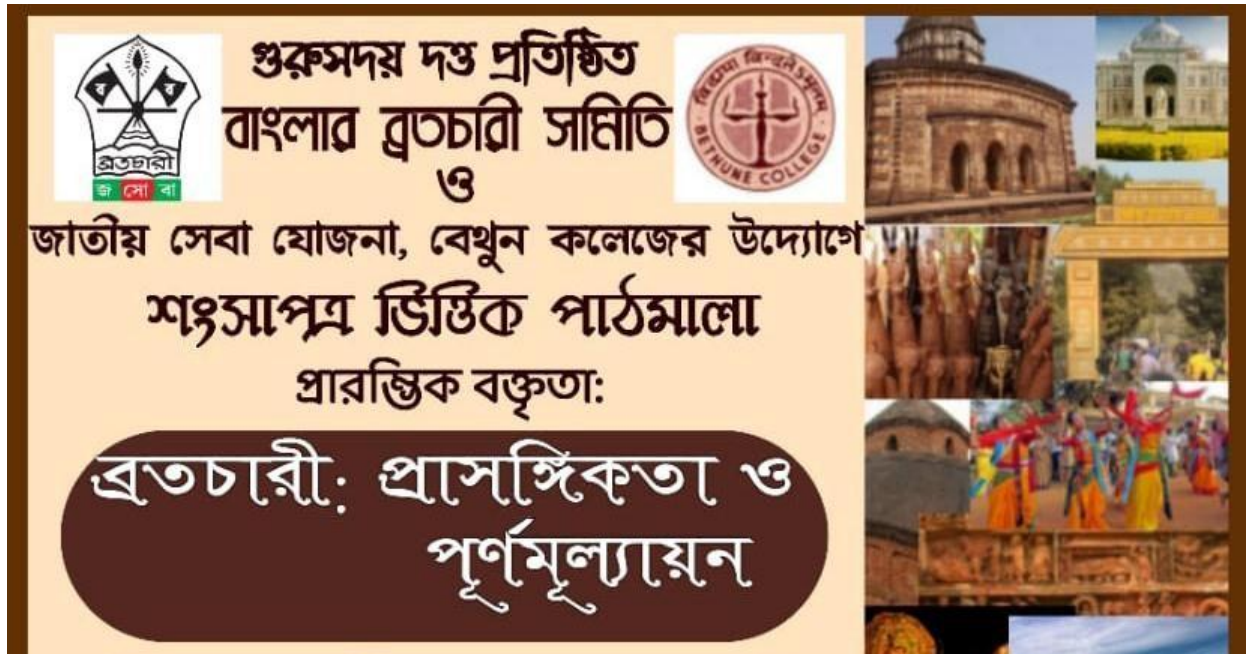
1. World AIDS Day Celebration on 1st December, 2021:An AIDS awareness program was arranged on **01.12.2021** for the NSS Volunteers, Students and Staff of the college from 2:00-3:30 p.m. in collaboration with Rotary Club of Ganga Heritage, Kolkata. **Dr. Sumit Poddar**, renowned Virologist have shared his views on this occasion.

2. Inauguration of Bethune College NSS Unit Health Centre on International Women’s Day: Bethune College NSS Unit Health Centre was inaugurated by NSS State Nodal Officer, **Dr. Ramaprasad Bhattacharya**. **Health consultation was given by Dr. Mainak Chandra**, Assistant Professor, R G Kar Medical College to the NSS Volunteers, students and staff of the college.

3. Health camp on 9th March, 2022: A **Health Camp** was organized from 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for students and staff of College in collaboration with Rotary Club of Ganga Heritage, Kolkata and Shivananda Health Society. Health checkups like Height, Weight, Blood Pressure, Eye, General health care, blood sugar, naturopathy and mental health care were arranged for the students and staff of the college.

4. Thalassemia Awareness Program

A seminar on 'Thalassemia Awareness' was organized in collaboration with Rotary Club of Ganga Heritage and NSS Unit, Surendranath College, Kolkata on 23.04.2022. The speaker was Dr. Ramendu Hom Chaudhury, MS Specialization Orthopaedic Sri Aurobindo Seva Kendra.



Introductory lecture on Bratachari via online mode on 12th June, 2021



Banmahotsav celebration by NSS Unit on Bethune Day, 12th August, 2021



Distribution of sanitizers, masks, soaps and biscuits to the slum dwellers of Ramdual Street on 15.08.2021



Distribution of stationeries to the school children of the street dwellers on 25th August 2021



Bethune College, Kolkata
Celebrates



NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME DAY

24th September 2021
Organised by NSS Unit, Bethune College

1. Programme on 23rd September:



• **Inaugural lecture by:**
Prof. (Dr.) Krishna Roy,
Principal, Bethune College, Kolkata



• **Lecture on 'A general awareness about Dengue and its controlling measures', by:**
Dr. Hiroj Kumar Saha, Assistant Professor,
Department of Zoology, Bethune College, Kolkata

Time: 5:30 pm onwards
Platform: Google Meet

2. Poster Competition on 24th September:

- A Poster competition will be held from **03:00pm to 07:00pm** on **24/09/2021**
- Theme of the Poster will be declared on the day of the competition.
- All participants are required to fill a Google form: [Click here for the form](#) and submit the posters to the given email idsnssbethune2021@gmail.com
- Participants are requested to upload their posters in .pdf/.jpg/.jpeg format, the file size must not exceed 10mb.
- **ONLY** the student members of NSS Unit, Bethune College, are eligible for participation in this competition.
- No posters will be accepted after 07:00pm.
- Results of the Poster competition will be declared later on.

Prof. Krishna Roy, Principal, Bethune College,	Dr. Amita Kar, Secretary, Teachers' Council, Bethune College,	Dr. Kamal Kanti Saha, IQAC Co-ordinator, Bethune College,	Dr. Santanu Mukherjee, Programme officer, NSS Unit, Bethune College,
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Flyer for NSS Day Celebration, 23rd -24th September, 2021



Distribution of new clothes to Nalta Arindam Welfare Society on 4th October, 2021 on the occasion of Durga Puja



Poster hanging by NSS Volunteers on World Toilet Day, 22nd November, 2021



Awareness Program on College Biodiversity on 29th and 30th November, 2021



Seminar on World AIDS Day, 01.12.2021



Seminar on 'General Awareness about Female Reproductive Health' on 2nd December, 2021 by Dr. Goutam Khastagir



Bratachari Workshop on Nrityali and Gitali on 15.12.2021 for NSS Volunteers




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STUDENTS' WEEK

**NSS UNIT IN COLLABORATION WITH ROTARY CLUB OF GANGA HERITAGE KOLKATA
AND SHIVANANDA HEALTH SOCIETY PRESENTS**

A Webinar On
**GENERAL HEALTH CARE WELLNESS AND FITNESS IN
CURRENT SITUATION**

Speakers

Dr. Subrata Pal
Homeopathy & Naturopathy
Physician and Yoga Expert

Dr. Sarupam Roy
Physiotherapist, Naturopathy
and Yoga Expert

Sukanta Kumar Mitra
Psychology Counselling Therapist

6 January, 2022 **2:30 PM - 4:30 PM** **Platforms: Zoom and YouTube**

Prof. (Dr.) Krishna Roy
PRINCIPAL
BETHUNE COLLEGE

Dr. Kamal Kanti Som
IQAC COORDINATOR
BETHUNE COLLEGE

Dr. Amita Kar
SECRETARY
TEACHERS' COUNCIL

Dr. Satarupa Bandyopadhyay
CONVENOR
STUDENTS' ACTIVITY CELL

Dr. Sritama Mukherjee
PROGRAM OFFICER, NSS
BETHUNE COLLEGE UNIT

6th Day of Student's week Celebration, 06.01.2022



73rd Republic day Celebration on 26th January, 2022



Volunteering in college events (International Mother language day, 21.02.2022 and Annual College Sports, 24.02.2022)



Inauguration of NSS Unit Special camp and Health Unit by Dr. Ramaprasad Bhattacharya on 8th March, 2022



Seminar on International Women's Day and Health Consultation on Orthopedic issues by Dr. Mainak Chandra on 08.03.2022



Health Camp in the college campus on 09.03.2022



Organic Compost Preparation in the college campus on 10.03.2022



Campus cleanliness and maintenance drive on 12.03.2022



Mask-Making workshop for NSS Volunteers on 12.03.2022 by Bengal Bratachari Society



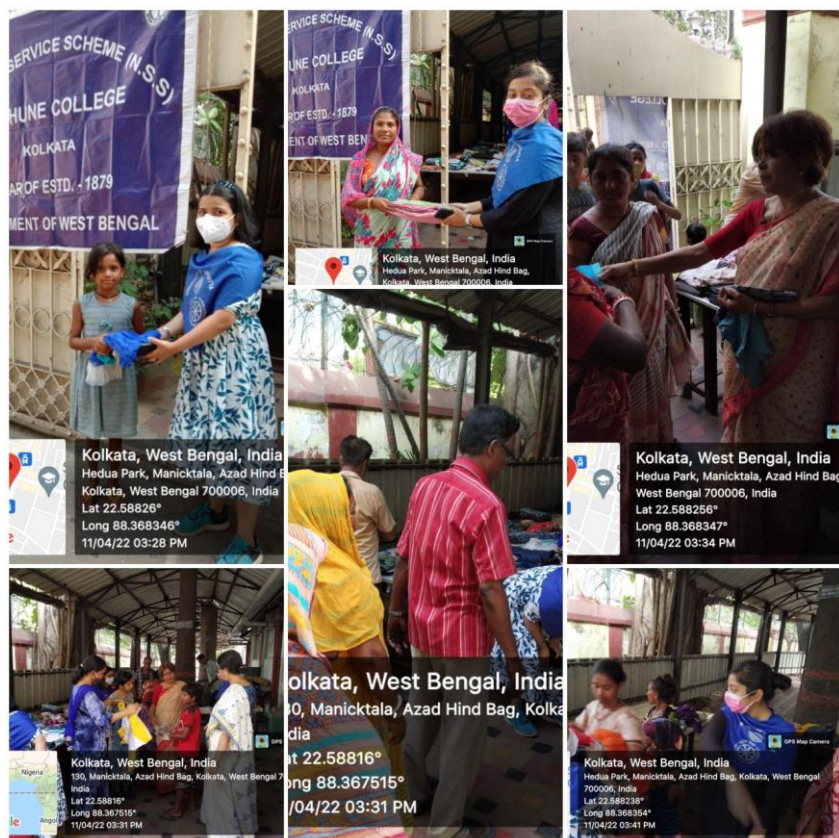
Special camp in the slum area at Swikriti Sangha Club, Goabagan on 13.03.2022



Awareness program and survey during special camp at Goabagan slum on 11.03.2022



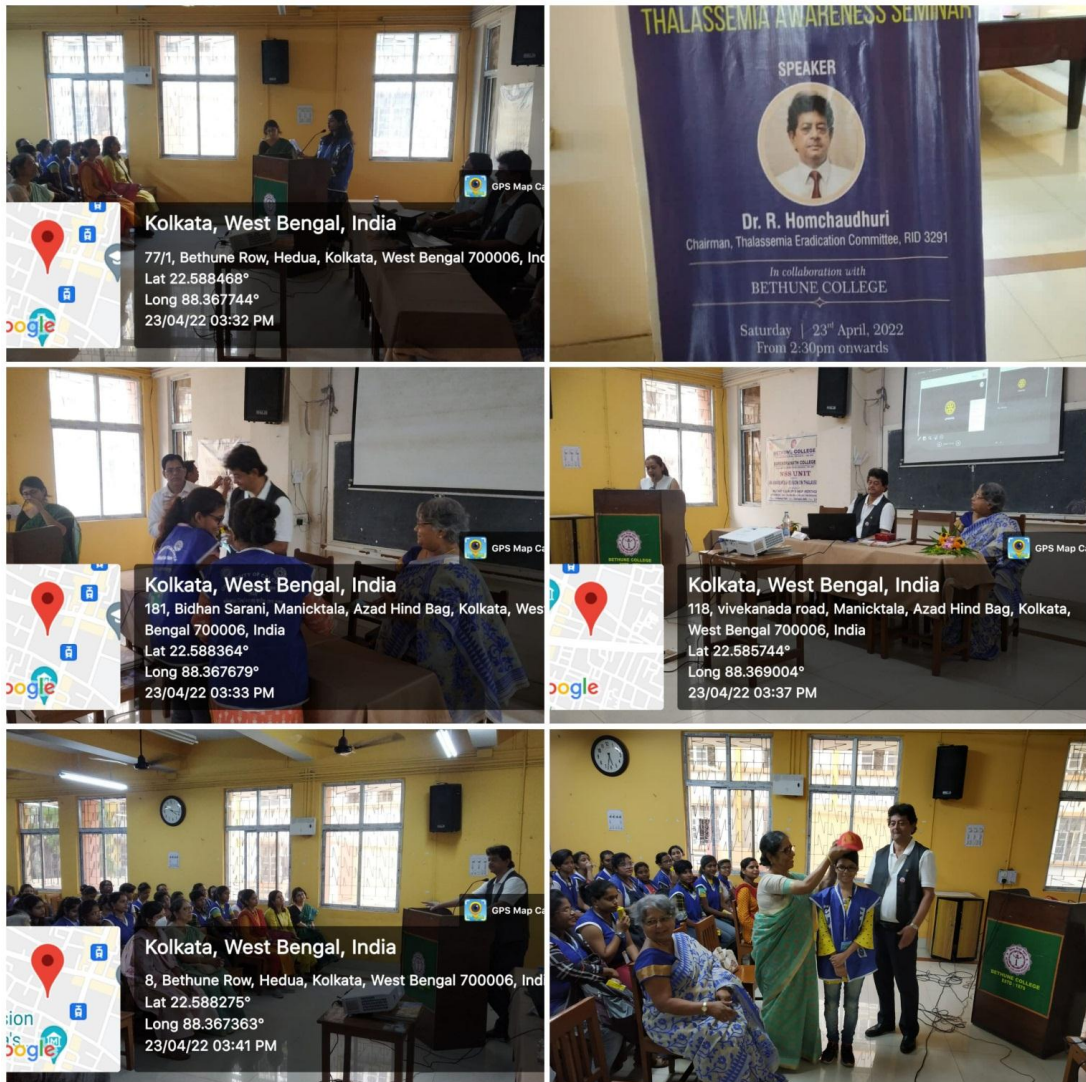
Street play “Jagoron” by the NSS Volunteers on 14.03.2022



Old cloth distribution to the pavement dwellers of Bidhan Sarani by the NSS Volunteers on 11.04.2022



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Thalassemia Awareness Program on 23.04.2022



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NSS Volunteers were participated in “one-day NSS workshop’ organized by Ramakrishna Mission on 12th May, 2022.



NSS along with Student Activity Cell participated in the “World Environment Day” Program on 5th June, 2022 organized by West Bengal Pollution Board



Sapling plantation by NSS Volunteers at their home on World Environment Day, 5th June 2022.

“Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, 2022”

1. Online pinning flag: 25 volunteers have pinned National flag and received online certificates.
2. 4 digital posters were created by NSS Volunteers.
3. Short speech videos on importance of Tirangain traditional attire was submitted by two NSS Volunteers.
4. Tree Plantation drive: 35 saplings were planted by NSS Volunteers on 15th August, 2022. Saplings were donated by Green circle of India, Kolkata, an organization for sustainable development.
5. March past and a cultural program with Tiranga was presented by the NSS Volunteers on the eve of Independence day.

Youtube Link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ufXLqmb0tpOLAcnO4bsVQEUQQO0nEaqW/view?usp=sharing>

Documents: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1kHkqczY6ZkGr2OOCu2ngLzuXsRHVOJgs?usp=sharing>



Pinning National Flag by NSS Volunteers



Fig. Digital Poster-1

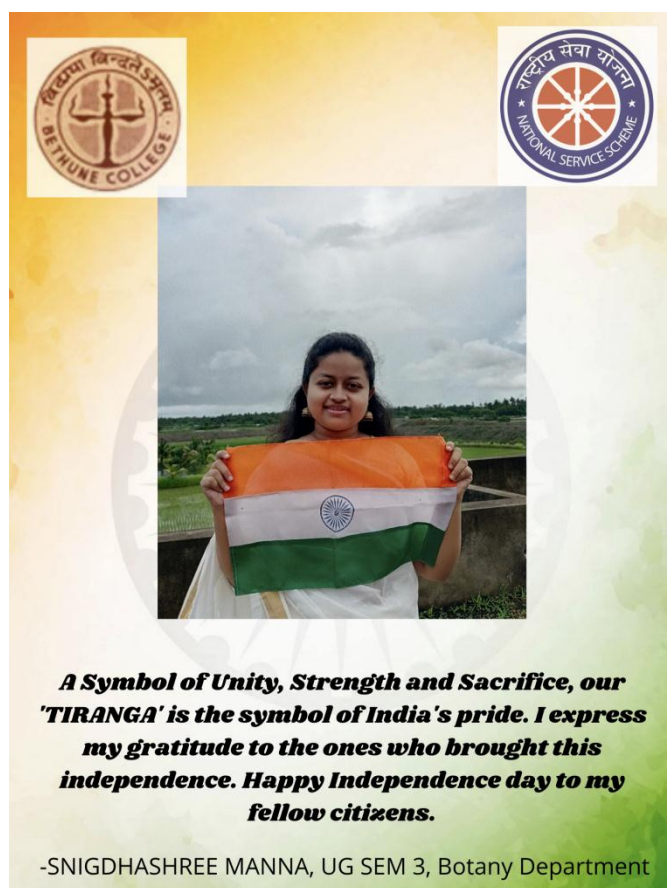


Fig. Digital Poster-2



Fig. Digital Poster-3

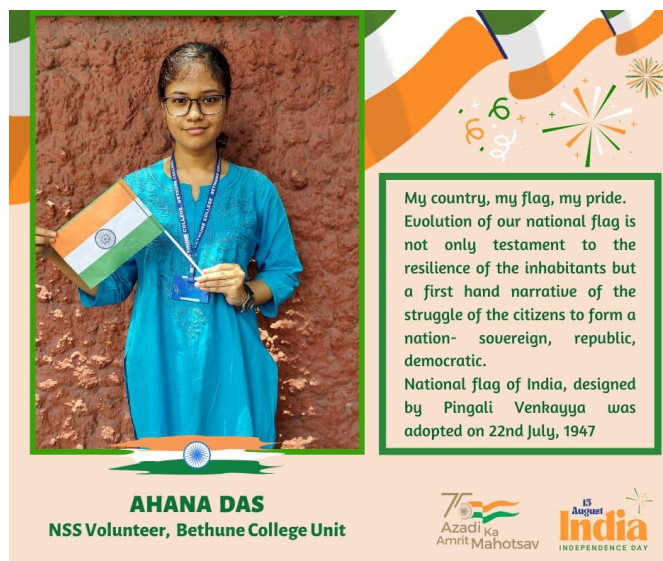
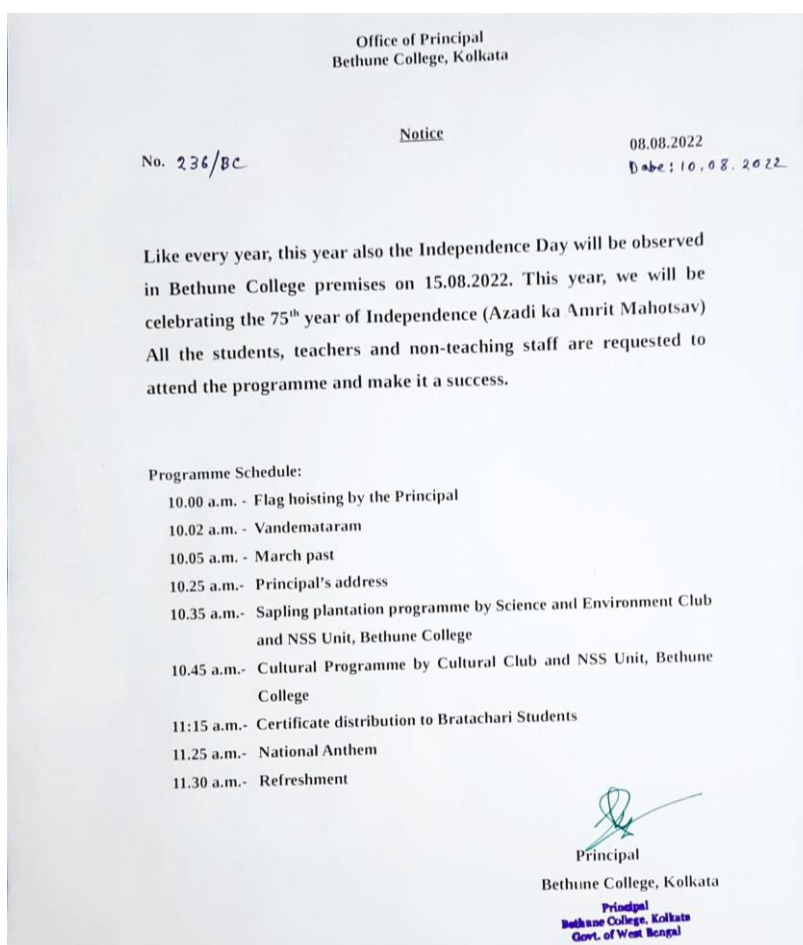


Fig. Digital Poster-4



Flyer for Independence Day



Notice for Independence Day



Flag Hoisting



Plantation of saplings in the college premises



March Past by NSS Volunteers



Cultural Program