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3.4.1 - Extension activities are carried out in the neighborhood community, sensitizing students to social issues, for their holistic development, and impact thereof during the year

The Institute carries out various extension activities through its various departments, committees, NSS, and NCC. These activities involve sensitising the students and community in the neighbourhood about the different social issues. The issues covered in the activities include environmental awareness, gender sensitization, providing help to less fortunate people, cleanliness drives, etc. The students of the institute are made aware of the importance of giving back to society in return for what they receive from it. This helps in developing a favourable give-and-take bond between society and individuals. Such activities help the students understand that they are indebted to society for what it does for them. The institute encourages students to give back to society through the various activities carried out by the various institutional departments and committees.

In the year 2021-2022, the Department of Political Science came up with an innovative idea for an extension activity called ‘Dasoh’. On the auspicious days of Eid, Akshay Tritiya, etc., the students of the department gifted the children and their parents staying on the roadside with footwear, clothes, and eatables.

The Department of English, with its strong alumni, conducted classes in English grammar for the children aged below 16 years residing in slums near the institute. Basic grammar classes were conducted at the institute. Nearly 29 children staying in the slums participated in this activity.

The programme of tree plantation was organised in the presence of the Director, VNGIASS, Nagpur, and SM, Sasi P. of MAH ARTY BTY, NCC. In August 2021, 48 SD/SW cadets of the NCC unit participated in the Swachchata Rally and cleaned the monument of '0 Mile'.

On the occasion of the 75th year of India's freedom and the Golden Jubilee year of Bangladesh's liberation, 18 SD cadets participated in the "Sadbhavana Maitree Cycle Rally" from Ahmednagar to Dhaka.

The NSS of the institute also organises various extension programmes for the students to inculcate good morals in them. NSS had organised a cleanliness drive whereby the students cleaned the area of the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Statue situated at RBI Square.

'Break the Bias Rally' was organised by NSS on International Women's Day. The main aim of this rally was to sensitise the students about the gender bias still seen in society.

The "World Aids Awareness" programme was conducted by NSS. On this occasion, blood donation camps and TB awareness programmes were also organised.

Besides this, various programmes regarding environmental awareness, plastic hazards, getting the best out of plastic waste, etc. were conducted by the NSS. In the month of March 2021, a seven-day residential camp for NSS was held. Through this camp, various programmes on cleanliness, environmental awareness, tree plantation, and gender sensitization were carried out in the presence of the Director, VNGIASS, and faculty of the Institute.