

# Swachhta pakhwada celebrated at Tezpur University

Tezpur University and the National Service Scheme (NSS) celebrated Swachhta Pakhwada with full zeal and enthusiasm from  $01^{st}$  to  $15^{th}$  August, 2018. Various activities were organised to promote Swachhta. The following are the details of activities carried out during the Swachhta Pakhwada:

#### Swachhata shapatha

Tezpur University and the National Service Scheme organised Swachhata Shapath programme for the NSS volunteers on  $1^{\rm st}$  of August 2018. More than 400 NSS volunteers whole heartedly gathered for this auspicious programme in the Chandra Prabha Saikiani Hall in the University campus. The NSS programme co-ordinator Dr. Amiya kr. Das encouraged the volunteers with his presence in the oath taking ceremony. The programme officers Dr. N.D Namsa , Dr. Apurba Saha, Dr. D.K Seth were also present at the venue. All the NSS volunteers took the SWACHHATA SHAPATH (cleanliness oath) in order to spread awareness among other students and maintaining cleanliness in the University Campus and outside the campus.



#### Awareness on Cleanliness

The NSS volunteers of Tezpur University organised a cleanliness camp in the Napaam village from 6th to 08th August 2018. Around 5 groups of 50 volunteers visited Napaam village and took up door to door campaign to make the local people aware about the importance of cleanliness in their surroundings.



Each group of the volunteers spread awareness among the villagers with the help of video footage. In the campaign, discussion was focused on Open Defection Free (ODF) village/slum. The volunteers convinced the villagers construct the toilets in their premises and also to use of them. The NSS units also directed to

procure informative material like leaflets, handouts form the local agencies working in the similar fields, for further distribution to the people while visiting door to door in the Napaam village.

## Cleanliness drive along with villagers

50 NSS volunteers on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2018 along with the villagers of Napaam conducted a cleanliness marathon in order to keep the village clean and spread awareness among the villagers about the importance of cleanliness.

## Cleanliness drive at tezpur astc station

On August 11-13, 2018, 50 students participated in the cleanliness programme of Tezpur ASTC station. NSS volunteers cleaned the bus stand by sweeping area. Volunteers also received help from local people, who provided them with buckets and



supported them all along during the cleanliness programme.

### Cleanliness drive at Tezpur University

Almost 300 students participated in the cleanliness drive conducted at the University from 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> August. The students were divided into different groups and then sent to different parts of the campus, such as Health Centre, School of Engineering, University Bus Stop, bike stand and Main Gate of Tezpur University. During the cleanliness programme, the students also interacted with the people who live there and asked the people about the cause of the unhygienic environment in those places and they got a very helpful response from the people. After the end of the programme, they explained those people about the importance of cleanliness and requested to maintain it.

## Cycle Rally

A Cycle Rally was organised by the NSS volunteers on 15th of August 2018. Around 300 volunteers NSS gathered early morning in the University Community Hall for the rally. Students in cycles with banners and posters rallied in the University campus to spread awareness among the students.





## Closing Ceremony of Swachhta Pakhwada

The closing ceremony of the Swachhta Pakhwada was organised by the NSS volunteers on 15<sup>th</sup> August at the Community Hall to mark the end of a successful 15-day mission. The Vice-Chancellor Prof. V. K. Jain , the Registrar

Dr. Biren Das, the Dean of Students' Affairs Prof. Dhanapati Deka and former DSW Prof. Smriti Sinha and Prof. Deben Ch. Barua, Programme Officers Dr. ND Namsa, Dr. Apurba

Saha, Dr. D K Seth along with 450 NSS volunteers were present at the event.

The ceremony was started with a welcome speech by programme coordinator Dr. Amiya Kumar Das. It was then followed by a PPT presentation showing all the important events undertaken during the period of these 15 days and the respective goals that were achieved. Honourable Vice-Chancellor Prof. V K Jain expressed his



happiness with the event and its success and showed his support for any future events. He whole heartedly motivated and encouraged all the NSS volunteers for future action. Other guests also expressed their views. Finally Dr. N D Namsa offered the vote of thanks.

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