NCC TEZPUR UNIVERSITY ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21

PREFACE

This Report has been prepared by the cadets of NCC Tezpur University and it consists of all the details of the functioning of the Unit from August 2019 to July 2020. It tries to briefly give an overview of all the events that were organised by NCC Tezpur University or the events in which our cadets participated on.

It is especially important to note that, this report will only give a brief idea about the work and dedication of our cadets for the improvement of our University and NCC. This report also shows NCC is full of opportunities and how it plays an important role in personality and self-development.

This report will also give a glimpse of the knowledge gained in different fields by the cadets during this session and how it will be helpful for them in the future.

The scope of basic drill and weapon training has been adjusted such that we are able to make room for programs on leadership, motivation & youth management. The highlight has been the incorporation of the adventure training, youth activities and social services.

TEZPUR UNIVERSITY



The establishment of Tezpur University is one of the outcomes of the Assam Accord, along with the establishment of Assam University and Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, by an Act of Parliament, in 1994. The then Prime Minister of India, Shri P.V. Narasimha Rao, chaired the opening of the university.

The university campus is at Napaam, about 15 km east of Tezpur, the headquarters of the Sonitpur district of Assam. Napaam is a rural area surrounded by people of diverse caste, religion and language. The university campus is spread across 262 acres (1.06 km2) of land and is bounded by pucca walls.

University is linked by a PWD road from the National Highway No. 37A at almost the midpoint between Kalia-Bhomora Bridge and Mission Chariali. Tezpur is linked by road and rail with the rest of the state and the country. There is a tri-weekly flight between Kolkata and Tezpur.

The university has four schools of studies which is divided into 27 departments and additional centres

and cells.

- School of Sciences
- School of Humanities & Social Sciences
- School of Management Sciences
- School of Engineering

Tezpur University was ranked 801–1000 in the world by the Times Higher Education World University Rankings of 2020 and 251–300 in Asia. The QS World University Rankings ranked it 215 in Asia in 2020. In India it was ranked 65th overall by the National Institutional Ranking Framework of 2020 and



39th among universities.

The objectives of this Central University as envisaged in the statutes are that it shall strive to offer employment oriented and interdisciplinary courses to meet the local and regional aspirations and the

development needs of the state of Assam and also offer courses and promote research in areas which

are of special and direct relevance to the region and in emerging areas in Science and Technology.

Prominent Personalities of Tezpur University:

- Vice-Chancellor: Professor Vinod Kumar Jain
- Registrar: Dr. Biren Das
- Dean, Student's Welfare: Professor Dhanapati Deka

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NATIONAL CADET CORPS



With the motto "Unity & Discipline" NCC has been the propeller in channelizing the force of the youth population of India since 1948.

The **National Cadet Corps** is the youth wing of Armed Forces with its Headquarters at New Delhi, India. It is a Tri–Services organisation, comprising the Army, Navy and Air Wing, engaged in grooming the youth of the country into disciplined and patriotic citizens. It is a voluntary organisation which recruits cadets from high schools, colleges and universities all over India. The Cadets are given basic military training in small arms and parades. The officers and cadets have no liability for active military service once they complete their course.

NCC, Tezpur University:

NCC Tezpur University is in the Army Wing and comes under 5 Assam Battalion of Tezpur Group in NER Directorate.

NCC in Tezpur University was established on 1st September 2011. There are total of 60 cadets in our unit from different departments and line of study.

Prominent Personalities of NCC Tezpur University:

- ADG (NER DTE): Major General Ananta Bhuyan
- Group Commander (Tezpur Group): Brigadier K.Sreenivasa Rao
- Commanding Officer (5 Assam Bn): Colonel O. P. Pandey
- ANO/ Faculty Coordinator: Lt. (Dr.) Hitesh Sharma
- SUO/NCC Student's Coordinator: Priotush Paul

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40.	AS20SDA111011	Mridul Das
41.	AS20SDA111012	Nayan Deep Laskar
42.	AS20SDA111014	Prasenjit Roy
43.	AS20SDA111016	Jaydeep Das
44.	AS20SDA111017	Biliphang Basumatary
45.	AS20SDA111019	Ashif Jamal Ahmed
46.	AS20SDA111020	Anirban Chakraborty
47.	AS20SDA111021	Bhaskar Dhar
48.	AS20SDA111023	Chinmoy Biswas
49.	AS20SDA111025	Salehuddin Ahmed
50.	AS20SDA111026	Partha Pratim Talukdar
51.	AS20SDA111027	Dinesh Sharma
52.	AS20SWA111009	Majoni Basumatary
53.	AS20SWA111010	Tanushree Das
54.	AS20SWA111013	Sangita Das
55.	AS20SWA111015	Rishita Singha
56.	AS20SWA111018	Nayana Konwar
57.	AS20SWA111024	Niharika Baruah
58.	AS20SDA111022	Roktim Moran
59.	AS20SDA111034	Udit Agarwala
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LIST OF EVENTS

All the events and programs which were organised or were participated in by our cadets are listed here in chronological order of occurrence, starting from August 2020 to June 2021.

AUGUST 2020

Vocal for Local Series (01 Aug - 15 Aug 2020)

To express our support as cadets of the 5 Assam Battalion, NCC Tezpur University, NER Directorate for the "Vocal For Local" Campaign, a series of videos were created where each cadet expressed their sincere support and greatest belief in the campaign. It commenced from 1st August 2020 and was concluded on August 15th, 2020 i.e., our 74th Independence Day. Following is a layout of the days on which cadets presented their thoughts and opinion on **Atma Nirbhar Bharat**.

Date	Name
Day 1 (1.07.2020)	CSM Jyotish Prasad Lahe
Day 2 (1.07.2020)	SGT Baishali Ghosh
Day 3 (3.07.2020)	SGT Aditya Shrivastava
Day 4 (4.07.2020)	SGT Soumi Purkayastha
Day 5 (5.07.2020)	CPL Mirza Noor
Day 6 (6.07.2020)	CPL Joyshree Dutta
Day 7 (7.07.2020)	CDT Ashutosh Pradhan
Day 8 (8.07.2020)	SGT Sanjana Singha
Day 9 (9.07.2020)	CDT Ankur Jyoti Das
Day 10 (10.07.2020)	CPL Vaishnavi Singh
Day 11 (11.07.2020)	LCPL Mrinal Jyoti Boruah
Day 12 (13.07.2020)	CPL Darshana Baruah
Day 13 (13.07.2020)	SGT Pabitra Brahma
Day 14 (14.07.2020)	SGT Puja Sharma
Day 15 (15.07.2020)	CDT Abhijeet Deka
Day 16 (15.07.2020)	CPL Mayemi Sarkar

On behalf of the whole NCC fraternity at Tezpur University, the above cadets showed their support of making a more **self-reliant approach** towards the progress of the nation. In hindsight, it could be seen that the pandemic posed an opportunity for the local businesses in India to assimilate into the campaign and stand strong through the difficult times. These were later uploaded on various social media platforms where we could reach out to a wider audience, further amplifying the intent of the campaign. It is safe to say that we could instill a sense of encouragement, hope in the minds of many amidst the raging pandemic and do our bit for the betterment of our nation whilst living up to the motto of NCC i.e., "Unity and Discipline".

Insights by Sgt. Sanjana Singha:

I'm utterly grateful to be a part of the series where I was given a chance to speak on something which is crucial towards the current progress of our nation and that can set the future on the right path whilst securing the lives of the common masses. Moreover, time and again it has been proved that with the combined efforts of all, we could achieve the goal of the campaign that is being self-reliant and adopt the behavioral mantras of "Atma Nirbharta."

Swatantrata Sangram Quiz (14 Aug 2020)

The Independence that India enjoys today is not the fruit of the labor of one man but an entire nation. It is tough to imagine the state of the subcontinent just a century ago, but it was with the sacrifices of the people that India emerged from the chains of colonial rule.

On the occasion of 74th Independence Day, to commemorate this glorious day, a quiz competition on Swatantra Sangram or Indian Independence Movement was organized virtually one day before Independence Day i.e., 14th August 2020. The competition was open for students up to PG level across the country. Further information regarding the quiz was displayed on the official Instagram page of NCC TU on 11th August.





Quiz poster and the winners of the quiz.

The quiz on Freedom Struggle was hosted efficiently through YouTube, all thanks to "Quiz Master Rajibul Awal" and the participants for carrying out the process smoothly. The event attracted the attention of maximum people hailing from different Universities and Colleges, and ultimately the goal was achieved, as the event witnessed a massive success.

The quiz results were declared officially on Independence Day, and the top 3 winners were awarded cash prizes following special mentions for the top 5 participants.

Insights by Cpl. Mayemi Sarkar:

It was a delightful event, and I strongly believe the overall mission of conducting such a competition was successful. It is because the participants have come across innumerable encounters from colonial history while preparing for the quiz, which has not only enlightened them about the untold stories of the greatest people but also acknowledged how we earned our freedom at what cost and sacrifices, and how we must treasure it without any fail.

74th Independence Day (15 Aug 2020)

India is an independent nation that gained independence on 15th August 1947. But beneath the tale of independence, there is a long history of sacrifices and hardships by our courageous sons and daughters, who battled for the country's independence till their last breath. We celebrate Independence Day annually to remember the sacrifices of our freedom fighters. Every year, NCC Tezpur University celebrates Independence day with great devotion and enthusiasm. But this year, the celebration couldn't be held in physical mode due to the global pandemic across the nation, so this year, we celebrated the 74th Independence Day online via Google Meet with the same energy and fervor. The virtual program was hosted and coordinated by Lance Corporal Jita Mali, accompanied by our Senior Under Officer Saunak Chowdhury under the guidance of our Associate NCC Officer Lt. (Dr). Hitesh Sharma. The Chief Guest of the event was our CO at that time, Colonel Shamsher Singh Kullar, and the Guest of Honor was Dr. Dhanapati Deka, the Dean of Student Welfare Tezpur University.

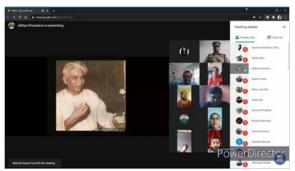




The program started with the National Anthem. Next, there was a ravishing dance performance by Lance Corporal Baishali Ghosh on the song 'Vande Mataram, followed by an address to cadets by our Guest of Honor, Dr. Dhanapati Deka. After that, there was an informative Power-point presentation on the topic, A Commemoratory Demonstration on "Unsung Patriotic Souls of the Indian Independence" which was presented by Lance Corporal Soumi Purkayastha, Cadet L. Mema Singha, Cadet Mirza Noor, and Cadet Sanjana Singha.

Our cadets also performed a group song, "Maa Tujhe Salaam," followed by our Senior Under Officer Saunak Chowdhury reciting two of the most famous and charming poems, "Vardan Mangunga Nahi" and "Hum Panchhi Gagan Ke."

After the sensational poem recitation, our Associate NCC Officer Lt. (Dr.) Hitesh Sharma addressed our cadets about how NCC is connected to every program and activity in the country even during the Covid-19 pandemic, followed by a compiled video on 'Tribute to Covid Warriors' conferred by the cadets of NCC Tezpur University. The event ended with the Vote of Thanks by Company Sergeant Major Priotush Paul.





Insights by LCpl. Priya Dhar:

Since it was our first time celebrating Independence Day online mode, I was concerned about how we could commemorate such a significant occasion virtually. But we, the cadets of NCC Tezpur University, never gave up on any of the events or programs and always tried to contribute in the best possible way. This time, all the cadets, including me, participated in our first-ever virtual Independence Day celebration and showed our guests how creative and innovative we are.

Fit India Contest (29 Aug 2020)

Fit India Movement is a nationwide movement in India to encourage people to remain healthy and fit by including physical activities and sports in their daily lives.

Tezpur University also decided to observe Fit India Movement 2020 by organizing an online video streaming and video blogging contest on "Fit Body", which gave hard evidence of physical exercise and its impact on oneself.

PROCEDURE

- 1. Shot a minimum of 3-minute video of any fitness workout like freehand exercise, aerobic exercise, Zumba, etc., following the theme of #FitBody.
- 2. Upload a video on Google classroom for registration or share on Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter and make the video public but, the link was to be sent in google classroom.

To mark the celebration on the day our Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and Dean Students Welfare addressed through online video mode on 29th August 2020. It was followed by physical exercise at home by employees and students to mark this event.

In this contest, both males and females were under one category under which our SGT. Preetishree Gogoi secured the 2nd position and achieved a cash prize and a certificate. And our CPL Akash Prasad secured the 8th position in the contest.





Left: A glimpse of SGT. Preetishree Gogoi from the video & Right: A glimpse of CPL. Akash Prasad after receiving the prize money.

Insights by Cdt. Yuktakhi Gogoi:

Fit India movement is a very noteworthy initiative launched by our Hon'ble Prime Minister to make fitness an integral part of our lives. The motive is to bring behavioural changes and move towards a healthy lifestyle.

And even after the current pandemic situation, our University decided to celebrate it, which was a great step. As the mass gathering was not possible, they organized it online and tried to raise awareness, and became active participants of the event from their homes. This event helped us a lot because it showed us various exercises to do at our homes without going outside.

National Webinar (28 Aug 2020)

On 28th August 2020, the NCC Unit of Janata Shikshan Sanstha (JSS), Kisan Veer Mahavidyalaya (KVM), Wai collaborated with 22 Maharashtra NCC Battalion and organized a National Webinar on "Role of NCC in Nation Building and Developing Atma Nirbhar Bharat". The event was organized online over Zoom App and broadcasted live on the official YouTube channel of the college. Many known dignitaries such as Col B.S. Kashid, the Commanding Officer of the Bn, and Col P.S. Gupte, the Administrative Officer of the Bn, graced the meet with their presence. The entire program was hosted well by Lt. Sammer Pawar, NCC Officer of the Unit.



At the outset, Dr. Choudhari gave away the inaugural speech, thereby applauding the over 500 participants (Army Officers, NCC Officers, Teachers, and NCC Cadets) attending the session from all over the country. Following this, the two Chief Guests, Col Kashid and Col Gupte, consecutively delivered their talks.

Col Kashid highlighted the importance of conducting the webinar, especially during the prevailing pandemic period. He also addressed the positive aspects of social media and challenged the youth to commit to raising awareness through various social media platforms in the nation's best interests.

Next, Col Gupte enlightened the audience with the aspect of Atmanirbhar Bharat and praised the cadets for organizing the Vocal for Local Campaign and providing important assistance throughout the pandemic that immensely inspired the participating youth in the context of the discussion.

The following 9 cadets from our unit took part in the event and were awarded Certificates of Participation for their efforts.

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Insights by Cpl. Mirza Noor:

I, along with my fellow cadets, learned a lot from this webinar. Leadership, Organization, Motivation, Character, Courage, Comradeship, Discipline, Devotion, Duty, Secular Outlook, Spirit of Adventure were the main topics taken into a note. Furthermore, I came to know about the 5 P's of life- People, Process, Problem Solving, Pupil, and Purpose. I hope to experience more such webinars in the future.

Fit India Run (29 Aug 2020)

FIT INDIA Movement was launched on 29th August 2019 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to make fitness an integral part of our daily lives. The mission of the Movement is to bring about behavioral changes and move towards a more physically active lifestyle. Towards achieving this mission, Fit India proposes to undertake various initiatives and conduct events to achieve the following objectives:

- 1. To promote fitness as easy, fun, and free.
- 2. To spread awareness on fitness and various physical activities that promote fitness through focused campaigns.
- 3. To encourage indigenous sports.
- 4. To make fitness reach every school, college/university, panchayat/village, etc.
- 5. To create a platform for citizens of India to share information, drive awareness, and encourage sharing of personal fitness stories.

Fit India has started many campaigns to promote and spread awareness on fitness and the activities that can be undertaken to ensure that fitness reaches every school, college/university, panchayat/village, etc. We are very proud that our cadets also took part in it with their friends and family. In the Corona pandemic, the Fit India Freedom Run has been ideated in a unique way where participants run at their place (wherever they are) and at their own pace.

Insights by Cdt. L Mema Singha:

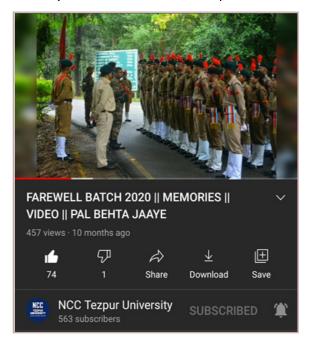
In the time of the Covid-19 pandemic, fitness has become an even more important aspect of our life where PM Modi recommended everyone to do fitness activity for at least half an hour a day. "Fitness Ki Doze, Adha Ghanta Roz". I have been a part of it along with our friends and relatives to stay both physically and mentally fit and also made people aware of it. I am honored to be a part of it and it taught us that it is important for everyone to workout to stay fit.

SEPTEMBER 2020

Farewell (26 Sept 2020)

It was time to bid our seniors goodbye. Even though we all were not physically together, we still had to make their farewell special for them. So on 26th September 2020, we organized an online farewell to celebrate our beloved seniors. The event started with a welcome address by Sgt. Jita. Our former SUO Paresh Chetri also graced the occasion and shared his encouraging words with all of us. To make the event delightful, there were some beautiful cultural performances – a farewell song by LCPL. Darshana, and dance performances by Cdt. Majoni and CPL. Mayemi. Our SUO Priotush Paul also expressed his gratitude to the seniors and then sent us all a heartfelt greeting. ANO sir motivated us all with his words of encouragement. Our seniors also shared their happy memories in NCC and how they will be missing everything about it. There was also a special video message from the juniors conveying how our seniors have always been our guiding force. Finally, there was a beautiful video made out of photographs and video clips of seniors that made us all tear up as we reflected on those three years our seniors have spent in NCC.





Screenshots from Farwell song by LCpl. Darshana Baruah and the Farewell Video.

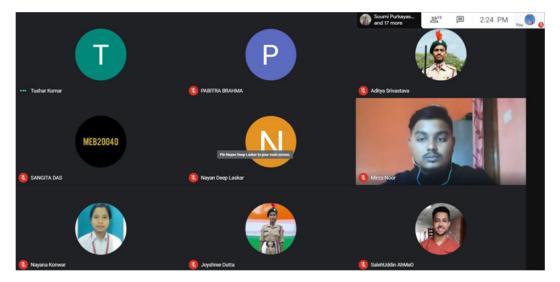
The entire event was hosted smoothly by Sgt. Jita, CSM Jyotish, CPL Vaishnavi, CPL Mayemi, Cdt. Ankur and Cdt. Mema. Even though all beginnings come to an end, every end is a new beginning. Our seniors will always be in our hearts and will continue to be our source of inspiration.

Insights by LCpl. Darshana Baruah:

It was a really heartwarming and pleasant time that we all had together in spite of the prevailing adversity due to the pandemic. Our seniors have always been the ones we look up to and realising that their journey in NCC was coming to an end made my heart ache. But I do believe that whatever we learn in NCC stays with us forever. We all are a part of one big family now and I wish we all stay connected in the future too.

Classes taken by PI Staff (26 Sep 2020)

The classes taken by the PI staff at intermittent intervals have time and again proved to be substantially beneficial for the cadets in regards to their growth in knowledge and the invaluable experience shared by them. Subedar Satpal Singh began teaching sessions on the 26th of September, in which the cadets were taught about the NCC Organization and its history since its inception. The cadets also learned about Field Craft and Battle Craft. Herein the cadets were taught about the various methods of judging distances, an indication of landmarks and targets, and camouflage, concealment, and covers, to name a few.



Screenshots from the class.

Insights by by Cdt. Ashutosh Pradhan:

The classes, though having been conducted via online medium due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic situation, left no stones unturned in imparting the same depth of knowledge about the course as compared to classes being conducted physically in the university. The invaluable experiences shared by him were pivotal in expanding the spectrum of knowledge regarding the Army and encouraging the youth to shape their lives in a disciplined and scheduled manner and join the Indian Army and serve the nation proudly.

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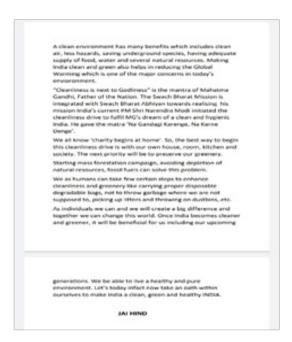
Article on Clean India Green India (22 Oct 2020)

Clean India and Green India are two major initiatives established by India in response to the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), which serve as the benchmark for a sustainable development agenda. And for the same objective, the Government of India has launched a scheme in the name of "Swachh Bharat Abhiyan".

Clean India and Green India are the two sides of one coin, i.e., sustainable development in India. Clean India or Swachh Bharat Aviyan (SBA) was the dream of the father of the nation. On September 24, 2014, the cabinet approved the renaming of Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan to Swacch Bharat Abhiyan. On the 145th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, October 2, 2014, the Indian government launched this national-level campaign. The famous slogan towards Swachh Bharat Abhiyan or Clean India is "One Step towards Cleanliness". The "Clean India Green India" program is unique in that it engages children and youth, the next generation of citizens, as implementers. It is believed that Clean India is a step toward Green India; after maintaining cleanliness, the next stage is to preserve and conserve the natural environment.

Keeping all these points in mind, NCC Tezpur University did not stay behind. Our cadets organized a cleanliness campaign on and around campus, and an article was written about it.





Article on Clean India by CPL Mirza Noor

Insights by Cpl. Mirza Noor:

"Clean India Green India" is a great movement. In such a big country like India, people are also praiseworthy to have responded to the movement. As per me, if we all join hands together; we can make India an outstanding country in the world. Being a cadet of NCC Tezpur University, I am glad to have participated in such a movement and will always look forward to other such events. Also, I hope that the article written above has motivated people or will motivate them some other day.

NOVEMBER 2020

Selection of new cadets into NCC (09 Nov 2020)

NCC Tezpur University selects cadets through a fair selection process. Each one of the interested candidates are evaluated through some criteria.

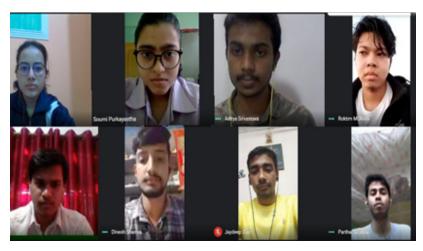
The main objective of the selection procedures are as:

- Only the interested and deserving students should get the valuable seats.
- People who are not as committed to NCC or have other activities which they prioritize over NCC are filtered.
- This time the whole process was conducted online due to covid19. Regular classes were also conducted online and cadets were willing to take part in every class.

The selection procedure consists of three parts:

- 1. Physical test(30 points)
- 2. Drill test(30 points)
- 3. Interview round(40 points)

The most effective way of getting an insight into the personality of prospective cadets is to interview them. So this round was designed in a certain way to help the selection team choose the ones who are willing to work hard during their time in NCC and develop themselves.



Screenshot of the online interview.

The drill test was done to check who had some experience in the field of drill and march past and who were new to it. The Drills of the candidates were tested on how well they execute the particular drill and how confident they are with their drill.

For the physical test students were asked to make a video including push-ups, squats, crunches, high-knees and jumping rope (skipping).

The interview was taken in two rounds, Round 1: interaction with candidates, and Round 2: personal interview.

On 10th November 2020 the results were declared. A total of 21 cadets were selected, out of which there were 14 were boys and 7 were girls.

Insights by Cdt. Udit Agarwala:

I was very happy when I got selected in NCC Tezpur University. This was a whole new experience for me. From my school time I wanted to be a part of NCC but couldn't join due to unavailability of NCC in my school. But this time I finally got my chance to be a part of NCC. I am really grateful to the selection team for selecting me. Cadets of NCC Tezpur University are very hard working and they work as one team. The whole selection process was conducted in a very fair manner and the most deserving candidates were selected.

Online Classes (25 Nov 2020 to 05 May 2021)

Online classes played a vital role in our lives during the pandemic. It was not as common as it is now. Due to this pandemic, schools, colleges, universities are shut down and as a result around 1.2 billion children could not attend classes physically. First year students who had already given their final examinations, without physically attending the institution, for them the online mode definitely helped a lot. Moreover, the cadets could not attend NCC classes offline but the seniors, taking a great initiative, managed to conduct theory classes so as to train the first year cadets efficiently. To name, at first our JUO Saugat Deb, CSM Jyotish Prasad Lahe, CPL Mirza Noor, SGT Pabitra Brahma, SGT Aditya Srivastava, CPL Vaishnavi Singh and CPL Joyshree Dutta took the opportunity to take morning classes as well as evening classes on days when first year cadets didn't have exams. It benefited them a lot, helped them familiarize with many new topics like map reading, weapon training, disaster management, etc.



Screenshots of online classes.

Insights by Cdt. Tanushree Das:

It has been a wide experience learning about new and different things. All the classes have been informative, exciting and rooted with unique insights about various topics.

72nd NCC Day (22 Nov 2020)

On the occasion of 72nd NCC Day (which is observed throughout the country on every fourth Sunday of November), NCC Tezpur University marked its first ever virtually conducted NCC Day due to the ongoing pandemic and decided to celebrate the day by organizing various events which manifested the value of the day as one of the most important events that was observed during the session.

Following are the events that took place during the entire week on the occasion of NCC Day:

Virtual celebration of NCC Day

The virtual celebration for 72nd NCC Day was held on 24th of November in the evening through google meet where cadets took the responsibility of making the day special by carrying out various performances in order to bring out the creativity and enthusiasm within themselves. The event started by thanking our Guests of HonourANO Lt. (Dr.) Hitesh Sharma and DSW Dhanapati Deka for their gracious presence for this event which was followed by a speech by ANO, Tezpur University. The event proceeded with SUO Priotush Paul taking the NCC Pledge and then the NCC song being played as an obligatory part for this event. A speech was delivered by Cadet Anirban Chakraborty on this occasion which was then followed by a presentation by Corporal Vaishnavi Singh and Lance Corporal Priya Dhar on the topic of Blood Donation, which emphasized its importance in saving life.

Eventually various performances by cadets were presented as a part of this virtual celebration on the theme of Patriotism which included poem recitations, song and dance by our newly selected first year cadets. The anchors Cadet Yuktakhi Gogoi and Cadet Ankur Jyoti Das did a wonderful job by carrying out the entire event.

Finally the event was contentedly concluded with the National Anthem and a vote of thanks by UO Saugat Deb which ultimately marked the end of this wonderful virtual celebration.



Presentation on Blood donation by Cpl. Vaishnavi Singh and LCpl. Priya Dhar

Plantation Drive on the occasion of NCC Day

As we know, trees are a very crucial part of the ecosystem, therefore to mark the occasion we cadets of Tezpur University were instructed to plant at least one tree in our nearby locality and as to provide evidence for the participation, cadets who engaged themselves with this event were asked to video record themselves and take photographs while planting the tree, a very virtuous work guided by SUO Priotush Paul.



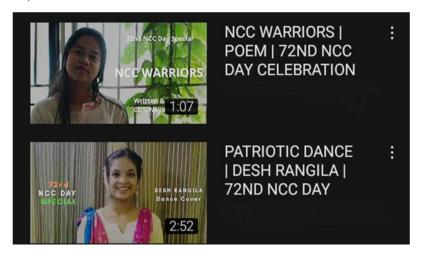
SUO Priotush Paul along with few other cadets who participated in the plantation drive.

E-poster

Cadet Nayan Deep Laskar executed a commendable job in showcasing his versatility with art by constructing a splendid E-poster for this day which was later posted on the official Instagram page for NCC Tezpur University.

Sharing in social media

After the celebration, few of the activities for the NCC Day virtual event were posted in the official YouTube channel for NCC Tezpur University along with the digital poster illustrated by Cadet Nayan Deep Laskar which was posted in the official Instagram of NCC Tezpur University (as mentioned earlier).



NCC Day celebration videos shared on NCC Tezpur University Youtube channel.

Insights by Cdt. Rishita Singha:

Since it was my first ever virtual event after getting selected into NCC, it was a really great experience familiarizing with seniors as well as cadets and cooperating with everyone, getting to know about their interests and strengths, seeing their intense enthusiasm in carrying out the event successfully without any flaws helped me build confidence as well as strength within myself and made me realize how versatile and great of an organization NCC Tezpur University is and I appreciate being a part of such a wonderful team. The event itself was a very memorable experience and will be looking forward to more such events in the near future.

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Digital India poem recitation (26 Nov 2020)

Digital India is a campaign launched on 1st July 2015, by the Government of India with the motto "Power To Empower" in order to ensure the Government's services are made available to citizens electronically by improved online infrastructure and by increasing internet connectivity or making the country digitally empowered in the field of technology. The initiative includes plans to connect rural areas with high-speed internet networks. It consists of three core components: the development of secure and stable digital infrastructure, delivering government services digitally, and universal digital literacy. The BBNL "Bharat Broadband Network Limited" have played vital and most crucial role to make this project come true and to get fruitful results of the campaign. On 26th November 2020 a task was assigned by the battalion to recite a poem on theme digital India and the cadets of NCC Tezpur University actively participated in the task assigned.





Picture of LCPL Majoni Basumatary reciting poem at the Maa Kali Temple, Serfanguri

Insight by LCpl. Majoni Basumatary:

It was my pleasure that I got an opportunity to participate in the task assigned by the battalion. Through this task I came to know a lot about digital India campaign and its importance to our country such as to ensure universal access to mobile phones, to facilitate people with high speed internet, to reform government through digitization, to provide online information and knowledge accessibility easy to all citizens and so on. It is an outstanding initiative taken by our Indian government for the betterment of our nation digitizing all the corners of our country.

JANUARY 2021

Param Vir Chakra Stories (4 Jan to 6 Jan 2021)

Param Vir Chakra translates as the "Wheel of the Ultimate Brave". It is India's highest military decoration, awarded for displaying distinguished acts of valor during wartime. This award is granted for "most conspicuous bravery in the presence of the enemy". As of January 2018, only 21 military personnel have received it.



The 21 brave and fearless PVC awardees.

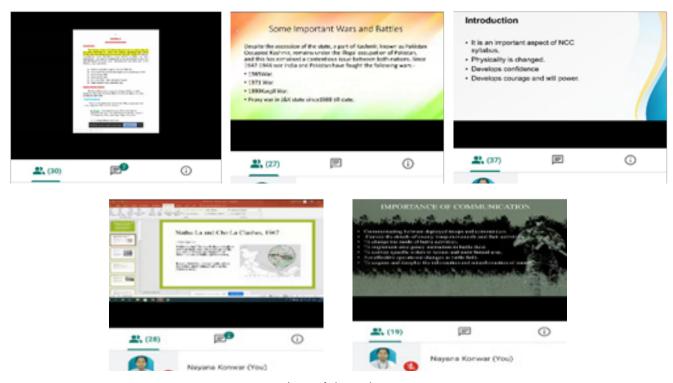
From 4th to 6th January 2021, we had an online storytelling session on Param Vir Chakra Awardee under the guidance of JUO Saugat Deb and CSM Jyotish Prasad Lahe. 21 cadets participated and each of them was assigned a story to narrate from the book "THE BRAVE PARAM VIR CHAKRA STORIES" by Rachna Bisht Rawat. Each story was different from one another, had different content but the string that tied them all together was the act of bravery. Seniors also asked questions in between the session to enhance interaction among cadets. The cadets learned a lot about power, passion, pride, truthfulness, and most importantly unity. During this session, the cadets opened up their hidden talent of communication and showed active participation which also demonstrated the enthusiasm NCC cadets carry in them.

Insight by Cdt. Sangita Das:

I had a good experience during this session and got to learn about so many different stories of the brave heroes of our nation which I didn't know before. It was a great session with the other cadets and seniors. This session helped me to boost my confidence and personality. Also, it helped me to be a strong woman capable of handling any tough situation ahead in life. I hope to attend many more sessions like this.

Webinar Series on NCC Subjects (5 Jan to 11 Feb 2021)

Webinars are one of the latest and most prevailing tools that online meet have in their toolboxes. They are an efficient way to distribute information thoughtfully and also a dominant tool for education especially during this time of the pandemic. The motive behind this webinar series is to make the active cadets well-informed about NCC and the Indian Army. Cadets taking their 'B' and 'C' certificate exams shortly will benefit from the series as well. The videos of the webinar series are also kept as a resource to motivate the students who are willing to join NCC in upcoming years. The series started on 5th January 2021 and ended on 11th February 2021 under our JUO Mandeep Kumar Singh.



Screenshots of the webinar series.

The digital webinar series started with Sergeant Aditya Srivastava introducing the cadets with the topic 'Basic Organizations of Armed Forces.' Following webinar series was conducted by Sergeant Soumi Purkayashtha on 'Military History', Company Sergeant Major Jyotish Lahe on 'Field Craft & Battle Craft', Sergeant Pabitra Brahma on 'Obstacle Training', Sergeant Sanjana Singha on 'Nathu la & Choo La Clashes 1967, Galwan Valley Attacks 2020', and Sergeant Baishali Ghosh on 'Communication'. The webinar series which were conducted for an hour ended with a Q/A session for at least 10 minutes. Cadets were asked to make notes of every session followed by a summary to the cadet taking the lecture daily.

Insights by Cdt. Nayana Konwar:

Due to the covid pandemic, schools and universities have been closed down which has affected the field of education. But I am enthralled with the zeal of our seniors who proved that learning never stops in any circumstances. The webinar series was very well-planned by our esteemed seniors. Also, the interaction at the end of the session with our seniors helped us to gain more insights into the world of the Indian Army and National Cadet Corps.

Fitness Can Be Fun Series (10 Jan to 1 Mar 2021)

The Fitness Can Be Fun Series was initiated on 12th Jan 2021. It was a Social Media Campaign to encourage individuals to stay fit by providing fresh and exciting ways to do so. The social media team uploaded a new video every week during the campaign, for a total of seven videos under the fitness series.

The event was the brainchild of Sergeant Jita Mali to encourage people to find new ways to stay fit and build a healthy population of active citizens in times of lockdown and pandemic, which has resulted in many people not going to the gym, which was the main sources of exercise for most people in busy developing India.

A total of 15 cadets including a trainee cadet from Tezpur University participated in the campaign. The event was led by SGT. Jita Mali, supervised by JUO Saugat Deb with LCPL Nayan deep Laskar as the editor.









Screenshots of the Fitness Can Be Fun! series.

The last video was shared on 1st march 2021 which marked the end of the campaign. We gained a large number of audiences, 53 new subscribers, and the highest view count recorded was 785 on the adventure video featuring JUO Saugat Deb.

Insights by Sgt. Jita Mali:

As the Social Media Head, I wanted to come up with something different. After the immense response in the 'Fit India Movement' series, an idea popped up in my mind. It was to make a Part 2 of the series but with a twist. So, I thought why not bring out different forms of activities other than regular exercises, that can help in maintaining fitness while having fun. After a discussion with the team, finally, we could bring out some really good content. The most unique fitness activity I discovered was fishing. There are many more such activities other than what we have uploaded till now. I hope, someday we can come up with PART 3 as well.

Army Day Quiz (15 Jan 2021)

Army Day is celebrated on January 15 every year in India as it is on this historic day that General K. M. Cariappa became the first Indian to take charge of the Indian Army in 1949. Due to the ongoing pandemic, there were no physical celebrations but it was conducted in virtual mode. On the occasion of 73rd Army Day, National Cadet Corps, Tezpur University organized an online quiz competition in collaboration with Tezpur Quiz Association on topics related to the Indian Army. The notification of the quiz was released on January 10th, 2021.





Notification of the Quiz (left) and top performers of the Quiz (right)

A total of 25 students from various institutions across the country registered for the quiz. The quiz was hosted by Quiz Master Sasanka Sarma and was conducted smoothly through Youtube and Google form. Cadets from NCC, Tezpur University actively participated in the quiz. Seven cadets, Sergeant Aditya Srivastava, Corporal Vaishnavi Singh, Corporal Joyshree Dutta, LCPL Nayan Deep Laskar, LCPL Chinmoy Biswas, Cadet Anirban Chakraborty, and Cadet Prasenjit Roy participated in the quiz. The results of the quiz were declared on the same day.

The top 3 winners of the quiz were, Rajibul Awal, Sayan Mazumder, and Bishwayan Bhattacharjee. They were awarded cash prizes and certificates. The other participants also received participation certificates.

Insights by LCpl. Chinmoy Biswas:

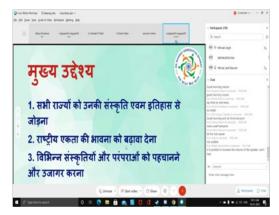
I have participated in various offline quizzes, but after attending an online quiz I have gained a whole new experience. The questions were of a moderate type and almost all the fields related to the Indian Army were covered. I thank my seniors for organizing such events and keeping our morale high in this tough time of the pandemic.

Online EBSB Camp (18 Jan to 23 Jan 2021)

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat was announced by Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 31st October 2015 on the 140th birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. It aims to actively enhance interaction among NCC cadets of diverse regions living in different states and units to inculcate mutual understanding between them and develop qualities of leadership, discipline, and integrity.

The main objectives of EBSB are to celebrate the Unity in Diversity of our Nation, strengthening the existing emotional bonds between people of our country, promote the spirit of national integrity between all Indian states and Union Territories through a yearlong planned engagement between the states, and to showcase rich heritage and culture, customs and traditions of either state and create an environment which promotes learning between states by sharing best practices and experiences.





Presentation on Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Initiative and its importance.

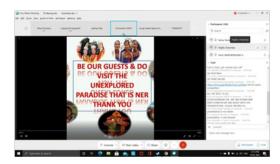
During the ongoing pandemic situation, this great initiative of conducting the online EBSB camp was taken by the 4th Gujarat Girls Battalion. It was held from 18th January to 23rd January 2021. The camp was conducted through a webinar where approximately 100 cadets from the host and guest states participated. It was a six days online camp. The duration of the camp for each day was for 6 hours (9 am–3 pm).

Four cadets from our university attended the camp, three SD and one SW, with great zeal, enthusiasm, as well as disciplined behaviour, under the guidance of ANO Lt. (Dr.) Hitesh Sharma. The four cadets were, Sergeant Aditya Srivastava, Sergeant Soumi Purkayastha, Corporal Akash Prasad, and Lance Corporal Mrinal Jyoti Baruah.



Cadets of NCC TU attending the camp in virtual mode.

The online EBSB Saptah was carried out in a well-structured manner. Each directorate was assigned different tasks on either day such as a presentation on the history and cultural heritage of their states, geography, economy, good practices, SWOT analysis followed by presentations on festivals, customs and traditions of both directorates, learning origin, script & dialect of each other, interaction in the language of both host and guest state, video clippings of historical & tourism sites, gaining knowledge about food habits and cuisines, observing folk dance on musical instruments which were performed live by cadets of both directorates. Later a discussion on leadership qualities and time management was presented by both host & guest states.





Presentation on History and Cultural Heritage of Northeast and Gujarat.

A lot of focus was given on the topic, "Anti-Corruption". There was speech, presentations, debate competition, poster-making competition, poetry competition, case study, and discussion, as well as quiz completion on the topic of "anti-corruption". And, our cadets took part in every competition with great enthusiasm and good spirit. Furthermore, after executing a cultural program and a quiz competition on anti-corruption, the last day of camp was concluded with a closing address by officials from both the directorates. In every way, the camp was a huge success.

Insights by Sgt. Aditya Srivastava:

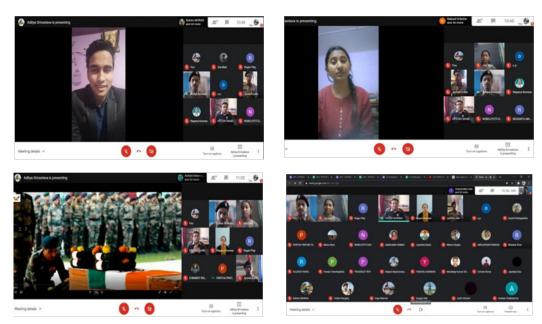
This camp was a whole new experience for me. I learned many new things during the online EBSB camp. It brought me closer to the people of Gujarat. I got to know about the heritage sites, their language, their traditions, and their culture as well. The best part of the camp where I enjoyed the most was during the cultural events where cadets from different states showcased their folk dance, recited poems, and played various instruments. Overall, it was a great experience and I look forward to more such camps.

72nd Republic Day Celebrations (26 Jan 2021)

Every year, the cadets of Tezpur University celebrate Republic Day on the campus itself with the authorities of the University. This year, the cadets decided to organize an online event for the same over Google meet on 26th January 2021 due to the pandemic. The event was coordinated by Sgt. Jita Mali, accompanied by SUO Priotush Paul and other NCC cadets under the guidance and support of our ANO Lt. (Dr.) Hitesh Sharma.

The virtual event started with a compiled video on the flag-waving song, Saare Jahan Se Accha, where it was envisioned 'Why India is better than the Whole World?' and a soulful presentation on the history of 'Republic Day of India' presented by LCPL Priya Dhar and LCPL Nayan Deep Laskar. It was followed by thought-provoking performances of the cadets, including a song by Cadet Tanushree Das, a patriotic verse written by LCPL Chinmoy Biswas and recited by Sergeant Aditya Srivastava, patriotic storytelling by Cadet Anirban Chakraborty, and a video to pay homage to the martyrs of Galwan Valley.

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Screenshots of the Republic Day celebrations.

Furthermore, four competitions were organized by NCC Tezpur University i.e., Art, Photography, Essay, and Quiz Competition, together with the respective clubs of Tezpur University. The winners were Azadur Rahman, Cadet Partha Pratim Talukdar, Ankur Gogoi and Sayan Mazumdar. They received prize money and each of the participants received e-certificates for participation. The entire session was a roaring success, which motivated us to continue upholding the honour of our beloved country.



Some of the submissions of the online competitions.

Insights by Sgt. Jita Mali:

Organising an event online is a lot of work. However, with the best coordination of team members, and most importantly the support of ANO sir and SUO Priotush Paul, we could make it a success. We got appreciated by the honourable CO and ADM Officer. The competitions were the cherries on top as the participants were from different parts of the country. Overall, it turned out to be a grand success.

YEP Selection Camp (31 Jan to 18 Feb 2021)

Youth Exchange Programme is an annually conducted programme that allows NCC cadets from all over India to travel to foreign countries as youth ambassadors. A total of more than 100 cadets, who are in their 2nd year of NCC, are selected every year to represent the country. Cadets from each of the 17 Directorates are selected with due procedures having limited quotas for army, navy, and air force. A cadet selected will be able to travel to only one country. NCC has Youth Exchange Programmes with 11 foreign countries: Singapore, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Maldives, Russia, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan.





Selection Process:

The selection procedure started in January after Republic Day where second-year cadets are screened and selected in a 20 days camp.

To ensure a just and equitable opportunity for boys and girls, one SD cadet and one SW cadet from every state/union territory of the country would be selected to proceed for YEP.

The selection of cadets will be based on the relative overall performance of the nominated cadets based on a written test, interview by a board of officers chaired by Additional DG NCC, and followed by DG interview.





Insights by Cdt. Ankur Jyoti Das:

I along with Company Sergeant Major Jyotish Prasad Lahe was selected from Tezpur University as a part of the Tezpur Group from 5 Assam Battalion. We arrived at NCC Academy, Jorhat on 31st January for the 20 days combined CATC/YEP camp. Two CATC camps, 10 days each, were organized by two different battalions of Assam. We were also a part of the CATC camp routine.

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For the pre-YEP camp, cadets from all over the NER directorate came to Jorhat. Our selection procedure began on the 4th day of the camp when Lt. Col. Jitender Singh started allotting us marks based on our performances on GK, quiz, group discussion, elocution, and written test. By the end of 10 days around 30 cadets remained out of 70.

On the 10th day, 3 RDC cadets joined the competition. For the next 10 days, the 2nd round began where current affairs and drill were more focused as a part of the curriculum. Col CM Bopanna was in charge of it. And finally, 16 cadets were selected: 10 SDs and 6 SWs, out of which one was a navy and two air force cadets.

I was selected in the top 16 categories from the NER directorate along with another cadet, Suhail Ahmed from Tezpur Group. For me, the pre-YEP camp was a very vibrant experience, to say the least. Amidst COVID 19, we did the camp following all the protocols. It was fun, exciting and a new learning experience nevertheless. I was honored to meet many high-ranked army officers and cadets from all over the North East.

FEBRUARY 2021

NCC Room Renovation (01 Feb 2021 - Till date)

Renovating the NCC Room of our university was one of the prerequisites that needed to be undertaken as the infrastructure of the unit too brings out a positive image in front of everyone. The renovation work started on 1st February and required modifications that are still being incorporated. The NCC Room of Tezpur University lies in Academic Building 1. Before the renovation, the room didn't even have a sturdy roof and the ceiling was in a poor condition. Furthermore, the unwanted entry of monkeys from the campus created another severe headache that needed to be resolved. A lot of work had to be done which was undertaken collaboratively by the Administration of Tezpur University after the proposal put forth by our respected ANO, Dr.(Lt.) Hitesh Sharma along with the dedication and hardwork of our SUO Priotush Paul and several members of the NCC family.

A series of work has been done since then, which included the repairing of the roof and painting the walls which were undertaken by the Administration of TU. Further, it was necessary to make furniture arrangements that are required in an office. The furniture, especially the chairs were in really bad condition and needed to be furnished. The leather had to be properly cleaned and polished, so was the interior. Apart from these basic requirements, several dummy rifles and a number of NCC's study materials had also been placed in the room. The room also consists of whiteboards to give necessary offline classes to the cadets. Personally, our SUO and Ex-SUO, Saunak Chowdhuryhave contributed a lot to uplift the condition of the NCC room. Till date, efforts are being made to improve and accommodate several other essentials in the room.







Photos of JUO Saugat Deb (left), SUO Priotush Paul (center), & Sgt. Puja Sharma along with Ex-SUO Saunak Chaudhary (right) during the renovation.

Insights by Sgt. Puja Sharma:

I along with my seniors have contributed to the re-establishment of the office, everyone in the group gave their best efforts. Our Ex SUO and present SUO contributed a lot of their precious time in the re-establishment process of the office. I got the opportunity to personally accompany the SUOs to the market, for purchasing the items required. We went through all the streets of Tezpur to find out the best quality product.

On the day of the arrangement, all of us worked there without any hesitation. We did all the chores with the available means that we could access. We divide the chores amongst ourselves, such as, cleaning the windows, arranging the furniture, sweeping and mopping the floor, etc. Everyone did invest their best efforts in completing it.

Honestly, it was a great learning experience, I was amazed to see the efforts given by each of us. It was quite tough to do all these in COVID times, but in the end, it was all worth it. We were successful in giving the office a much required and necessary, basic outlook. I hope we will continue to work with all dedication in the future too. I feel fortunate to get this opportunity to work with my seniors and complete a project successfully.

Instagram Live with Jharna Foundation (07 Feb 2021)

On 7th February 2021, NCC Tezpur University held an Instagram live session with Jharna Foundation's founder and President Satrupa Bhattacharjee. Jharna Foundation is an NGO working towards welfare-centric policymaking, creating an inclusive society for the underprivileged, children with special abilities, and empowering women and youth. The topic of discussion was "Role of Today's Youth in the upliftment of our society". This was NCC Tezpur University's first Instagram live and our spokesperson CPL Vaishnavi Singh, did a wonderful interview.

The National Cadet Corps (NCC), the largest uniformed volunteer organization in the world, is committed to youth empowerment and is well-positioned to assist the country in realizing its demographic dividend, thereby contributing significantly to nation-building. As a result, the topic was well suited.

Our cadets had certain queries, which Ms. Bhattacharjee answered practically such as:

- 1. What can the youth do regarding the corruption and irresponsibility of the government regarding official matters?
- 2. What can youth do to fight alcohol and substance addiction?
- 3. How can one make changes in society if many of these problems are predominant in their family itself, where despite several attempts to rectify those, they fail continuously?
- 4. How to increase women empowerment in society?



Screenshot of the live session.

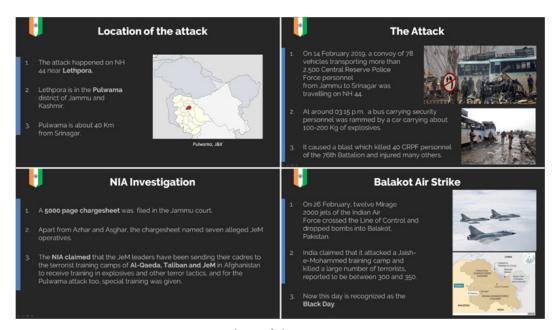
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Insights by Cdt. Tandralee Kashyap:

Because India is a developing country with the largest youth population, this Instagram live was really educational for the young viewers like me. The questions that were asked clarified my doubts even further. Few Points that are ingrained in me after the session are that communication and comprehension is the key to success in every field. We, the privileged youth with a good education, should promote awareness and be vocal about our queries. There should be a holistic approach through education andmentoring. One should not pass judgement on others and instead strive to assist them by providing an ear or simply listening. Finally, we must be the change we wish to see in the world.

Presentation on Pulwama Attack (14 Feb 2021)

A 'Black Day' in the history of India – February 14, 2021 marks two years of the Pulwama terror attack. Our CSM Jyotish Lahe decided to organize a digital presentation via Google Meet to pay tribute to all the CRPF jawans martyred in one of the worst terror attacks in Jammu & Kashmir (Lethapora, near Awantipora in the Pulwama district) when a JeM suicide bomber with explosive-laden vehicle attacked one of the convoy bus carrying the security personnel around 15.15 IST. A PowerPoint presentation for the same has been prepared by LCPL Nayan Deep Laskar and LCPL Chinmoy Biswas to commemorate the martyrs. Cadets have been enlightened with explicit information about the terror attack and its dire consequences.



Screenshots of the presentation.

Insights by Cdt. Nayana Konwar:

This presentation by our seniors was very informative and insightful. I learned a lot about the minute details of how the attack happened, about the terrorist organization (Jaish-e-Mohammad) along with India's effective response to the attack such as the diplomatic protests and IAF strike on the JeM camp in Balakot. We the cadets of NCC Tezpur University, salute all the brave Indian soldiers who sacrificed their lives in the Pulwama Terror Attack. 'Wrapped in tricolor, shiny metals stuck to the chest. A hero arrived home in a casket full of depth'. Jai Hind!

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Webinar on "Career opportunity in Food Safety" (18 Feb 2021)

This webinar on food safety was conducted by FSSAI and the chief guest was a food safety officer who was an ex-army officer, so therefore this webinar was especially for the NCC cadets.

On the occasion of World Food Day, Union minister for health and family welfare Dr. Harsh Vardhan launched a food mitra scheme by FSSAI. The food mitra scheme aims to engage with motivated individuals to enable the food safety ecosystem. FSSAI will provide various training (certificate) courses to prepare professionals namely Digital Mitra, Trainer Mitra, Hygiene Mitra. The selected professional will then start working in the different domains.

This webinar was mainly about Digital Mitra. After getting the certificate course from FSSAI on digital mitra, students will get engaged in handling digital aspects like new application for license/registration, editing application, filing annual returns, etc.

They also talk about different types of internships and scholarship programs run by FSSAI. The webinar focuses not only on informing about the job in the food sector but also encourages students to start entrepreneurship.

Insights by Sgt. Puja Sharma:

This webinar taught me a lot about my future as a food engineering and technology student. In the food sector, there are different types of career opportunities and business ideas. I also learn from where I will be able to complete my internship. Aside from that, I learned about the different scholarship programs that will be beneficial to me in my future endeavors. All of the cadets in attendance had the opportunity to interact one-on-one and ask their doubts right there. I also received contact details for any further quarry related to the food sector. Lastly, I must state that this informative session will greatly assist me in building my career in the food sector.

MARCH 2021

CATC for B Certificate (9 Mar to 11 Mar 2021)

CATC stands for Combined Annual Training Camp. Generally, these camps are 14 days long and include a variety of activities including, but not limited to, drill, yoga, sports, PT, theory classes, cultural night, etc. But this year, due to the ongoing pandemic situation, a three-day-long camp was organized for the B-Certificate appearing cadets, from 9th to 11th March at Tezpur Collegiate Field, Tezpur Assam, with all covid protocols in place. Our day started with roll call and breakfast at 7 am and ended at 4 pm. In addition to breakfast, we were provided snacks, lunch, and dinner as well. The main motto of this camp was to cover the syllabus of the B-Certificate exam. We were divided into groups according to our college and taught separately. The 1st day was pretty much all about the introduction and making us familiar with the camp curriculum. In addition to that, we had our Weapon Training class where we learned about the .22 rifle (its parts, maintenance, and handling), and then we learned how to read a map. Day 2 focused mainly on Drill and Disaster Management training. The 12 NDRF, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh Team was invited to brief us about it. While on the 3rd day we summed up the exam syllabus and the day ended with a practice exam to check our preparation level.







Some photos captured during the camp.

Insights by Sgt. Aditya Srivastava:

It was my first camp after joining NCC at Tezpur University. Even though I could not attend a full 14-day camp like I wanted to since the day I joined, I was greatly satisfied with the whole experience and indeed have learned a lot from this camp. We had our wonderful CO sir, Adm sir, PI staff, ANOs, and Seniors to guide and train us for the upcoming B-Certificate exam. The thing that I found most impressive is how they managed hundreds of cadets while impeccably following all covid protocols at the same time.

CATC for C Certificate (9 Mar to 13 Mar 2021)

In NCC Camp training is the practical manifestation of institutional training. The basic aim of Camps is to introduce cadets to a regimented way of life and helps in developing camaraderie, team work, leadership qualities, self-confidence, self-reliance, and dignity of labour in the cadets. The cadets are exposed to the excitement of camp life where they apply the theoretical knowledge that they had gained in Institutional Training.

Combined Annual Training Camp for the C certificate appearing cadets started along with the B certificate cadets but continued for two more days. Every schedule was the same for both the batches until the camp for B certificate ended after two days, on 11th March.





Some photos captured during the camp.

For the next two days, with the cadets appearing for C certificate, the morning routine remained the same. Starting the day with filing all the cadets according to their institutions with proper roll calls every day for attendance purposes and measuring the candidate's body temperature to avoid any kind of health issues. Then we're allowed to have a healthy yet tasty breakfast at 7 am and end the day at 4 pm. In addition to breakfast, we were provided snacks, lunch, and dinner as well. The main motto of this camp was to cover the syllabus of the C-Certificate exam. We were divided into groups according to our college and taught separately. On the 3rd day, when cadets appearing for B certificates were giving practice exams, we were taught map reading and various other things regarding first aid and its usages. In continuation of the 4th day, there was a DST DRILL followed by some very informative class on Disaster Management. The 5th day of the camp summed up with some important discussion about the exam syllabus followed by a practice exam to check the students' level of preparation and understanding of the various topics covered during the camp. And the day ended with a speech session where students from different institutions were asked to present and express their views.

Insights by Cpl. Akash Prasad:

Though I had previously attended a full CATC camp for 14 days, I would say that this camp with a shorter duration (5 days) was a wonderful and totally unique experience for me. I was surprised that even in such a short duration of time they have covered pretty much everything, I learned a lot. In this camp, everybody helped us to learn and cover most of the things needed for the upcoming C-certificate examination. Our ADM sir, CO sir, all the PI staff, ANOs, and Seniors were always ready to help us when we needed.

It was my last camp after joining NCC at Tezpur University. I was relieved that the camp went well, but I was also sad as we had spent so much time together as a family. We would soon part after all those days. The day before we left, we took a lot of selfies. It was time to say our goodbyes! I enjoyed my time at camp and will miss it as well as the individuals met there.

This camp taught me discipline, to accept people the way they are, infused courage and strength, motivated me to do something for the motherland and respect her and ultimately it made me a better person. I saw a Mini India or "Chota Bharat" in a short span. I got to see a new side of our military officers and learned that they, too, crack jokes, sing songs, dance, and giggle like the others (they are serious and commanding usually during our morning PT and parades). As I return I take a very big suitcase of memories, lessons, new friends, and the challenge to develop myself.

Napaam Forest Fire (09 Mar 2021)

The date was 9th March 2021 few of our cadets were residing in the barrack at Napaam village to attend the CATC mentioned in the reports above. Cadets were taking a rest after dinner before they started night duty. It was around 9:30 pm when suddenly our Senior Under Officer Priotush Paul rushed into the barrack (mock barrack), exclaiming that a fire had broken out in the nearby forest adjacent to the Napaam Village in Tezpur. All of the SD and SW cadets present at the time, with the support of local villagers, effectively extinguished the forest fire before it became unmanageable, under the supervision of our Senior Under Officer Priotush Paul and Under Officer Mandeep Kumar Singh.





The fire and our brave cadets after the incident.

The cadets present at the moment were:

- Cadet Tandralee Kashyap
- Lance Corporal Mirza Noor
- Lance Corporal Abhijit Deka
- Sergeant Pabitra Brahma
- Under Officer Mandeep Kumar
- Senior Under Officer Priotush Paul
- Cadet L. Mema Singha
- Corporal Puja Sharma
- Sergeant Aditya Srivastava

Insights by Sgt. Pabitra Brahma:

I am extremely happy that we could be at service and prevent a huge loss that could occur because of the fire. I learned from this experience that with unity and teamwork, we can overcome any hurdles in the way.

Online EBSB Camp (09 Mar to 16 Mar 2021)

EBSB or 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' of NCC is an annual camp for national integration conducted between paired states. The camp aims to foster a sense of unity and nationalism amongst the participating NCC cadets and familiarising them with the paired states.

For the past one year or so, we all have been cooped up indoors, courtesy of the covid pandemic. But academics and work have nonetheless continued in online mode. So did our NCC camps. One such online camp was the 6th EBSB camp conducted from 10th to 16th March. The participating groups were from Gujarat and NER directorate. The camp was conducted over Google meet and it stretched from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm every day. Through this medium, both the directorates exhibited their rich cultural heritage. The topics ranged from food, clothes, custom and tradition, festivals, art to history, geography, and economy. There were also a few interaction sessions between the cadets of different states, speaking different languages, trying to teach as well as learn each other's language. In these sessions, the cadets discussed their favourite traditional food and attire, local travel destinations, etc. Some discussions also included teaching and learning poems and songs in each other's language. It would be fair to say that by the end of this camp, everyone knew a lot more about the two westernmost and easternmost parts of our incredible India.

Insight by Sgt. Preetishree Gogoi:

The online EBSB VI camp was conducted from 10th March to 16th March 2021. Cadets from the NER directorate and Gujarat Directorate participated. As it was conducted in an online mode we participated in the camp through Google meet. Every day, the meeting began at 9:30 am and ended at 1:30 pm, with talks on the history, geography, economy, cultural heritage, festivals, food, customs, and traditions of the northeastern states and Gujarat presented one after the other.

Attending this camp was a wonderful opportunity for me, and I am grateful for it. It allowed me to learn about the customs of different states and also to interact with cadets from all over the country.

APRIL 2021

Plogging Event (04 Apr 2021)

Plogging is a combination of jogging with picking up litter. It is derived from the Swedish verbs plocka upp (pick up) and jogga (jog) giving the new Swedish verb plogga, from which the word 'plogging' is derived.

On 4th April 2021, cadets of NCC Tezpur University who were present in the Tezpur University campus conducted the plogging event. The thrive and zeal to clean our campus with the element of fitness via jogging is an experience that every one of us enjoyed. The activity not only helps to clean our environment by removing litter from the streets and throwing them in the garbage bins but also includes fun along with enjoyment. During the event, we were quite excited about cleaning our campus. We jogged covering a round of the campus while picking up wrappers, paper wastes, bottles, and other litter wastes and after collection threw them in the university garbage.





Cadets during the plogging event.

Enjoyment, fitness, and activities towards making our environment clean were the motives when it was started as an organized activity in Sweden around 2016 and spread to other countries in 2018, following increased concern about plastic pollution. As a workout, it provides variation in body movements by adding bending, squatting, and stretching to the main action of running, hiking, or walking. An estimated 20,00,000 people plog daily in 100 countries and some plogging events have attracted over 30,00,000 participants.

Insights by Cdt. Anirban Chakraborty:

Plogging, in my opinion, is worthwhile when done with friends with the common purpose of having fun while making a tiny contribution to rescuing our immediate surroundings from pollution caused by litter wastes that would otherwise sit there for a long time if not picked up. It's fun, enjoyable, and undoubtedly has several benefits in multiple directions. It can be taken as a regular activity that can develop social bonding and an escape from the modern world of technological gadgets.

Blood Donation (04 Apr 2021)

'Give blood and keep the world beating'. A blood donation truly is a "gift of life" that a healthy person can give to others in their community who are sick or injured. It takes less than an hour of one's time, where a person can donate one unit of blood that can be separated into individual components, which can help save multiple lives. Many of our cadets have been actively taking part in different blood donation drives and also donating blood in emergencies. One such cadet is our SUO Priotush Paul who has been donating blood at frequent intervals for a long time.

Our SUO Priotush Paul donated his blood on the following dates:

- 11th February 2018
- 24th February 2019
- 11th October 2019
- 15th August 2020
- 4th April 2021

On 4th April 2021, SUO Priotush Paul was approached with a blood donation request. He instantly volunteered to donate blood to save a life. Chandan Bhatta's mother (the patient) required blood for emergency surgery. However, she required O +ve blood, which was unavailable at the time in the blood bank, therefore, SUO Priotush Paul traveled to Kanaklata Public Hospital in Tezpur and donated his blood. The patient was cured within a few days.





SUO Priotush Paul donating blood(left) & receiving token of appreciation(right).

Insights by SUO Priotush Paul:

After seeing the patient's son's expression when his mother was cured, it was a truly joyful event. He expressed his gratitude for my blood donation. I felt ecstatic to be a part in saving someone's life. Blood donation is a wonderful thing. Donate blood to save lives and motivate others to do the same.

NCC 'B' Certificate Exam (18 Apr 2021)

NCC B Certificate is one of the three certificates that a Cadet can have. There are some requirements and points we should know to appear for the B Certificate exam.

- The cadet must have attended a minimum of 75% of total training periods laid down in the syllabus for the first and second years for Senior Division/Wing NCC (All Wings).
- Break in the NCC Training Tenure of the cadet SD/SW before appearing in the exam, should not
 exceed more than 18 months at one time after his discharge to count his tenure for Certificate
 B Examination.
- In case the break exceeds 18 months the following procedure will be adopted:

If he had been on the unit rolls for a minimum of two years before his discharge and had attended 75% of the total periods during his NCC Tenure, he would need another 36 periods of training to become eligible to appear for Certificate B Examination.

In all other cases, where the above conditions are not fulfilled, the cadet must attend a minimum of 75% periods of the first & second years of training.

- Must have attended one Annual Training Camp /NIC /COC / RDC / Attachment with Regular Army/Navy/Air Force.
- Cadets possessing Certificate A will be awarded 10 bonus marks.





Our Cadets during and after appearing the B Certificate Exam.

The B Certificate exam of 5 Assam Battalion was held at Darrang College, Tezpur, Assam on the 18th of April 2021. Cadets from all the units which are under 5 Assam Battalion came to appear for the examination. The cadets of NCC Tezpur University were led by our Senior Under Officer Priotush Paul and Under Officer Saugat Deb. Their experience and guidance helped us release a lot of pressure. NCC B certificate exam included a written test which went from around 3 hours which was based on NCC common subject and NCC special subject for army wing. Then there was a practical exam for Weapon Training, Map Reading, and Drill. A total of 20 cadets from NCC Tezpur University appeared in the examination. The exam started at 9 am and went till 3 pm.

The whole examination was conducted under the supervision of Commanding Officer Colonel Om Prakash Pandey, ADM officer Lt. Col. Zafrul Korim, PI staff, and ANOs. The Exam was completed quickly, and we were pleased with our effort, now we await the results. Our university was closed due to the pandemic therefore all of the cadets came from all across Assam and returned safely.

Insights by CSM Jyotish Prasad Lahe:

The B Certificate exam was a very good learning opportunity. Due to the pandemic, we didn't have many opportunities to meet our fellow cadets but with the conduction of the B certificate exam, we all could meet again. As mentioned in NCC's moto, we learned to ensure that in every step unity and discipline comes first. With this experience, we will be able to prepare more properly for the coming C certificate exams and will also be able to guide our juniors.

Interaction with Administrative Officer (23 Apr 2021)

An interactive session was held via Google Meet between the cadets and our Administrative Officer of 5 Assam Bn, Lt. Col. Zafrul Korim on 23rd April 2021 at 6.30 pm. This online interaction was organized under our CSM Jyotish Prasad Lahe.

In the beginning, sir gave us his introduction and then he told us about his different experiences in the field of defence which was very motivating for the cadets. He shared his knowledge of topics such as leadership, personality development, and thinking patterns for cracking any exam. He also suggested to us a few documentaries and sci-fi movies which we can watch in our free time. All the cadets were very enthusiastic in asking him questions related to defence as well as required life skills to tackle any situation especially during this time of the pandemic. Some asked him questions such as "how to inculcate officer-like qualities", "how to overcome depression and insecurities of career", "how to manage NCC with academics" etc. Some also asked about defence related exams such as the SSB interview and CDSE exams. He answered every question positively and encouraged us to stay optimistic in this pandemic situation.



ADM Officer Lt. Col. Zafrul Karim in conversation with the cadets

Insights by Cdt. Mridul Das:

Interacting with our respectable administrative officer was a wonderful experience for me. I learned a lot from him about discipline, personality, life skills, and the desire to learn new things rather than sitting idle in our spare time. In the future, I hope to see more of this type of session.

MAY 2021

"Mask Up India" Video (07 May 2021)

NCC Tezpur University has been taking part in many awareness programs and campaigns on Covid-19 since last year. This year, we contributed to the Hon'ble Prime Minister's "Mask Up India" campaign by creating an innovative video for awareness about the importance of wearing a mask and how a simple mask can be one of the most robust tools for defeating the Corona Virus and helping the country in times of need.

A team of seven cadets came up with a marvelous idea of the "pass the mask" challenge. In the video, they touched on many important points related to wearing a mask. These topics included the different reasons and importance of wearing a mask, the correct way to wear a mask, double masking, and paying respect to the front-line workers. The officials of the 5 Assam Battalion highly appreciated the team. The video is now available on the official YouTube channel of NCC Tezpur University.



Screenshots of the Mask Up India video.

Insights by Cpl. Vaishnavi Singh:

Working on the "Mask Up India" video was an amazing and challenging experience for me. We had a day in our hands to come up with an idea and execute it in a video for the common public. The team had amazing people with different ideas. So the most challenging thing was to pick the best idea from the ideas floating around. But I think our team did great. This experience taught me a lot about teamwork and cooperation, from developing the script to choosing a character and doing a few retakes for the video. One of the most memorable moments was when our ADM Officer Lt. Col. Zafrul Karim Sir, complimented our entire team on the video we prepared and encouraged us to keep up the marvelous work.

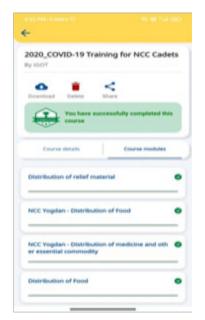
IGOT Covid-19 Training (16 May to 18 May 2021)

This event was based on one of the courses in the 'Integrated Government Online Training (IGOT)' portal on the Ministry of HRD's DIKSHA platform for capacity building of frontline workers to handle the pandemic efficiently and provide medical and essential services on the field for the management of COVID-19.

The NCC has moved to help the civilian authorities by extending the services of its cadets under the program 'Exercise NCC Yogdan'. The tasks envisaged for cadets include:

- Manning of helpline/call centers.
- Distributing relief materials/medicines/food/essential commodities.
- Community assistance, data management, and queue and traffic management.

The online training module consists of videos, audio modules, and frequently asked questions on the different topics related to the volunteering of NCC cadets during this pandemic. The videos are made by cadets of different directorates and from different regions. We have been trained virtually about the basic guidelines to maintain personal safety and hygiene, the norms for working the duty assigned, and the don'ts during the assignment period. We were taught about distributing different relief materials, medicine, and essential commodities in various Covid affected regions. After completion of the online course, the cadets were awarded a digital certificate of completion.





Screenshots of the portal and training video.

Insights by Cdt. Prasenjit Roy:

National Cadet Corps (NCC) has been incremental in operating collectively with civil, defense, and police in the country's fight against covid-19. Under the IGOT portal for covid -19, I was enlightened with the required precautions that need to be taken for handling the pandemic efficiently, such as the norms necessary for distributing food and medicine to people in public places, basic guidelines for maintaining personal safety, and hygiene. The portal strengthens the life skills of cadets in the testing times of the pandemic.

JUNE 2021

World Environment Day Plantation Drive (05 June 2021)

Following up on the successful plantation drive held on NCC Day (November 21, 2020), our SUO Prioutush Paul organized a large-scale plantation drive on World Environment Day, under the aegis of our ADM Officer Lt. Col. Zafrul Karim in collaboration with MANGALDAI COLLEGE, T.H.B College, L.O.K.D COLLEGE, DARANG COLLEGE, TEZPUR COLLEGE, CHAIDUAR COLLEGE, BISWANATH COLLEGE, BIHPURIA COLLEGE. After discussing the plan with other SUO's from different colleges and assigning the task to every cadet who was willing to take a part, we managed a large-scale plantation drive on 5th June 2021, in which more than 300 plants have been planted successfully. In the end, we collected pictures and small videos from different locations where planting was initiated and made one combined video which was further uploaded on the official YouTube channel of NCC Tezpur University to make the common people aware of the importance of trees.

The plantation drive was organized for the following reasons:

- · To set an example for others so that more trees get planted
- A small step towards creating a greener and better environment
- · To show unity can strike a change, in our environment



Screenshots of different colleges from the Plantation Drive.

Insights by Cdt. Ashif Zamal Ahmed:

Without a doubt, it was a memorable experience. We demonstrated solidarity by planting over 300 plants in different parts of our locality. Furthermore, I feel great after planting since I know I did my part to safeguard our mother earth. And if we repeat such events every year, the end outcome will be a cleaner and greener globe.

Video on Saving the Environment (05 June 2021)

The environment and the economy, in reality, are both, two sides of the same coin. If we cannot sustain the environment, we cannot sustain ourselves. It is our collective responsibility to preserve and tend to the environment on which, we are all dependent. Despite this, we humans are entirely to be blamed for the destruction of the environment. Being in NCC, it is our obligation to create awareness among the people towards the conservation of the environment. Due to the pandemic situation, as we could not meet the masses physically, but we overcame this obstacle by creating a video virtually and sharing it on social media. We tried to make the masses aware of the various ways of preserving our nature. We emphasized the significance of protecting our ecosystem, grasslands, wetlands, and reserve forests.

The covid 19 pandemic made us realize the importance of the natural source of oxygen, that is, the trees, since the virus is sucking the life out of us by leaving us gasping for breath. But now, improper disposal of masks, covid kits, and bodies of the deceased are just adding fuel to the fire by degrading our environment. So at the end of the video, we urged the viewers to contribute towards the improvement of nature and appealed to the concerned authorities to seriously look into the proper disposal of the covid kits, masks, and other covid related accessories.





Screenshots of the video.

Insights by Cdt. Niharika Baruah:

On the occasion of World Environment Day, which is on 5th June 2021, NCC Tezpur University made a video creating awareness on conservation of the Environment, and I was fortunate enough to be a part of the team. It was a true delight to work in a group with people who had such wonderful innovative ideas. Despite not being able to gather physically at a particular place, due to the pandemic, we were able to make the video successfully. I will be forever grateful to my seniors for giving me a chance to participate in this video.

International Day of Yoga Celebration (21 June 2021)

Yoga is a combination of physical, mental, and spiritual practices or disciplines that originated in ancient India. June 21 is marked as the annual International Day of Yoga to celebrate the ancient Indian art of healthy living. The International Day of Yoga aims to raise awareness among people to know the amazing and natural benefits of yoga.

The pandemic and lockdown have brought about a sense of fear and anxiety around the globe. The relevance of yoga — amid the Covid-19 pandemic, which has upended the lives and livelihoods of millions of people around the world has increased substantially.

On the occasion of the seventh International Yoga Day this year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the nation where he said, "when the whole world is fighting the corona pandemic, yoga remains a ray of hope". The event was broadcast on television due to the coronavirus pandemic. The theme of the International Yoga Day event this year is 'Yoga For Wellness'.





Cadets doing Yoga Asanas.

This year people celebrated International Yoga Day through online mode by sharing videos and photos. As well as most people are active on social platforms nowadays, so it helps to create awareness among people. Like every other year, our NCC family at TU opted to commemorate the day by engaging in a variety of activities, including poster making, articles, videos, photos, and an online IDY quiz hosted by AYUSH and MyGov. Total 10 Cadets made videos and took pictures to post on social media. The Cadets were Sergeant Aditya Srivastava, Sergeant Preetishree Gogoi, Corporal Vaishnavi Singh, Corporal Joyshree Dutta, Corporal Mirza Noor, Lance Corporal Priya Dhar, Lance Corporal Chinmoy Biswas, Cadet Dinesh Sharma, Cadet Bhaskar Dhar, Cadet Tanushree Das.





Cadets doing Yoga Asanas.

Insights by Cpl Vaishnavi Singh:

It is said "Yoga is a way of life" and I have a firm belief in this statement. And that's the reason why yoga is a big part of my daily life. Like every year this year too I participated in the International Yoga Day program organized by NCC, Tezpur University. We were asked to submit photos and videos of us doing yoga to spread awareness among common people about the importance of Yoga. And I feel lucky to say that I too played a small role in this great initiative by submitting my pictures of practising yoga. And I think it's the responsibility of the youth to take society towards prosperity and am thankful for NCC, Tezpur University for giving us that opportunity.

CONCLUSION

The report is regarding the events that took place throughout the session of 2020-21 and which has been possible merely because of the collective efforts of all individuals involved in NCC Tezpur University, as diligent cadets under the guidance of crucial heads of the unit.

Our new session started with the Vocal for Local series of speeches that our Prime Minister Flagged off to promote local industries and consume local wherever possible so that the long-term effects of an increase in demand can be used to develop the domestic industries and make them gradually self-reliant. A total of 16 cadets participated and shared their views and some cadet's videos were also selected to be uploaded on NER Directorate official social media handles.

It was a very happy moment that our cadets won the Fit India Competition organised by Tezpur University. SGT Preetishree Gogoi bagged 2nd prize and CPL Akash Prasad bagged 8th position.

Selection of new cadets was done through online mode with complete procedures and in a very systematic and fair manner. A total of 21 cadets were selected out of many that tried. They were selected on the basis of merit which was made by compiling the marks of their Drill, Physical Test and Personal Interview. The participation of students was huge and we were really happy that we got the best ones.

Due to pandemic we our cadets didn't get much opportunity to take part in offline activities but this didn't mean that they stopped learning. We took part in many online webinars like National webinar on "Role of NCC in Nation Building and Development Atmanirbhar Bharat" which was organised by 22 Maharashtra NCC Battalion. Not only that we also conducted Webinar series on NCC Subjects so that our cadets were up to date with the subjects. The cadets loved the webinars and said "It was a great learning experience".

Our cadets attended several Special Camps such as online EBSB camp which was organised by 4th Gujarat Girls Battalion, CATC For B and C Certificate and YEP Camp at Jorhat NCC Academy. With immense happiness and pleasure, we were really happy that one of our cadets CDT Ankur Jyoti Das was selected for DG NCC Interview for final selection from NER DTE.

We also participated in Digital India campaign with the moto "Power to Empower" and our cadets completed the task of poem recitation on digital India. Our ADM officer applauded the cadets by saying "Great work and Kudos! to the cadets for their hard work and dedication".

Our cadets even though it was lockdown tried their best to conduct and participate in as many activities as possible including taking active participation in International Yoga Day, Blood donation and also, we did a series called "Fitness can be Fun" to promote physical fitness and help people to find interesting and fun ways to keep yourself fit.

NCC Tezpur University also took charge of the Mass plantation Drive on the occasion of world environment day and almost all the cadets from 5 Assam Bn participated. Our ADM officer applauded the cadet's enthusiasm and responsibility. The whole Plantation was guided by ADM Officer and senior in charge was Senior Under Officer Priotush Paul.

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In the period of lockdown, we a learned about COVID-19, completed I-GOT training, attended online camps and celebrated the Kargil Vijay Diwas over virtual mode. We held a few webinars and video conferences on our part too and discussed about the prevailing situation around us.

We celebrated our 74th Independence Day,72nd Republic Day, 22nd Kargil Vijay Diwas, 22nd NCC Raising Day, Rastriya Ekta divas(online) with much grandeur. We have been appreciated by many, for our innovative and disciplined way of conduct in the celebrations.

Many classes were regularly conducted over the year on important topics like role of higher education and universities in nation building, role of Indian defence services & intelligence in the protection of our country, role of civil services in the functioning of the country, etc. by our Adm. Officer, ANO & senior ranked cadets. Apart from all these classes on basic drill, physical fitness and regular subjects of NCC took place.

There are several lessons that all could learn in the whole process. Starting from Vocal for Local Series to YEP Selection camp. These in fact play a pivotal role in shaping us and grow with every experience that we had. It showed that the imperative of NCC is not just limited to drill practices and physical training but spreading social awareness among people on important causes, giving proper exposure to the upcoming youth on how future can be shaped with learnings from the past, honing the different talents and capabilities that cadets possess, because this definitely goes a long way in maintaining the unit's consistency regarding growth and development. Had there been no such thing promoted, it would not have been possible to work in a way it does right now. The events that took place has also helped everyone to look into the broader picture, one which encompasses the integrity, the never-give-up spirit of an individual and above all living up to its prime motto of Unity and Discipline.

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VISION FOR NEXT SESSION

- 1. Conducting NCC week every year: Conduction of NCC week is a very innovative plan and is the most important event which we want to conduct. There will be various events and functions in this week which includes outreach programmes in which our cadets will voluntarily go to schools nearby and take classes on importance of higher education and role of universities in nation building and role of Indian defence services and civil services in the functioning of the nation. Other than the outreach programme we will also be conducting a blood donation camp which will be extremely useful for the hospitals as they are in continuous need of blood and will also ask others to come forward and help the society. Along with outreach programme and blood donation camp there will be a plantation drive on that week and an interactive session with Major Administrative officers such as DC and SP of the district, major officers from Army and Air Force from NCC and nearby bases and will be open for all the students of the university. Other events such as drill competition between colleges and movie screening will also be conducted for encouraging the youth to join the Services and contribute to nation building.
- 2. Vice Chancellor's Commendation Card: To appreciate the one who worked for the betterment of NCC in University and to encourage others to do the same, Vice Chancellor's Commendation Card will be awarded.
- 3. Netaji Subash Chandra Bose Trophy: To appreciate and to increase the participation of cadets an annual trophy/prize will be awarded to the best cadet of the year as an honour to one of the most famous NCC cadet of our country Netaji Subash Chandra Bose.
- 4. Board of Honour for ANO/CTO & SUO: A board of honour will be maintained every year which will behold the name of the ANO/CTO and SUO of NCC Tezpur University and their session over the years.
- 5. Board of Honour for the winners of VC commendation card & Netaji Subash Chandra Bose Trophy: A board for the yearly winners of the above two prizes will be maintained as a record for the future so that the new cadets can get inspired and work hard.
- 6. More participation of cadets in national programmes and events: In present there are lot cadets who have participated or represented our university in the national level competitions and have bought laurels for university but in the coming session we would like to increase that number as much as we can. We will also try to reduce the gap between the Administration and the students as much as we can for the bright future of our cadets and University.
- 7. Conduct of Self-defence classes: Self-defence classes will be conducted for anyone from the university to learn. Classes will be taken by the trainers of NCC (Army personnel).
- 8. Conducting at least 2 camps in Tezpur University every year: Conduction of Camps in our institution is very important for the cadets to learn the responsibility of organising a camp and how it feels to be the organising institution.
- 9. Performing rifle drill with Real Rifles: For the actual realization of the weight and to give us boost during camps like RDC selection and YEP etc.

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10. Get and obstacle course in our university: As it is one of the basic facility an institution should have to have NCC we desperately need an obstacle course to physically train ourselves for the camps like TSC and also to keep ourselves fit and well prepared.

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