



National Service Scheme (NSS)
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National Service Scheme (NSS) Activities at Dr. Shankarrao Chavan Government Medical College & Hospital, Nanded

National Service Scheme (NSS) plays an important role in promoting community service, social responsibility, leadership, and public health awareness among students of Dr. Shankarrao Chavan Government Medical College & Hospital. The college, established in 1988 with the motto “**Service for Humanity,**” encourages students to participate in various community-oriented programs alongside their medical education.

Introduction to NSS

The National Service Scheme is a student-centred extension activity that aims at the personality development of students through community service. It instills values such as discipline, cooperation, patriotism, social commitment, and leadership. NSS volunteers actively participate in health, educational, environmental, and social welfare activities for the benefit of society.

NSS Unit at the College

The NSS unit of Dr. Shankarrao Chavan Government Medical College functions through student volunteers under the guidance of faculty coordinators. The unit organizes regular and special activities throughout the academic year, focusing on public health and community development. The participation of medical students allows them to understand community health problems beyond the classroom and hospital environment.

Major NSS Activities

1. Blood Donation Camps

One of the most significant NSS activities conducted by the institution is the organization of blood donation camps. A notable mega blood donation camp was organized on 2 October, where hundreds of blood units were collected with active participation from NSS volunteers, faculty members, administrative staff, and medical students. Such camps help maintain blood supplies for emergency and routine patient care while promoting voluntary blood donation among youth.

2. Health Awareness Programs

As a medical college, NSS volunteers of Dr. Shankarrao Chavan Government Medical College regularly conduct public health education activities in rural and urban communities. These include awareness campaigns on:

- Personal hygiene
- Nutrition and balanced diet
- Maternal and child health
- Communicable diseases
- Vaccination
- Tuberculosis prevention
- HIV/AIDS awareness
- Non-communicable diseases such as diabetes and hypertension

These programs contribute to improving community health literacy and preventive healthcare practices.

3. AIDS Awareness Campaigns

NSS volunteers from the college have actively participated in HIV/AIDS awareness rallies and educational campaigns organized jointly with educational institutions and health organizations. These programs include rallies, lectures, poster exhibitions, and public interactions aimed at spreading awareness regarding prevention, testing, and treatment of HIV/AIDS.

4. Rural Health Camps

Medical students participating in NSS visit villages and underserved areas to provide:

- Basic health check-ups
- Health education
- Screening for common diseases
- Referral services for serious medical conditions

Such activities help bridge the gap between healthcare facilities and rural populations while giving students practical exposure to community medicine. The college's role as a major healthcare center serving rural and tribal populations makes these outreach activities especially relevant.

5. Swachh Bharat and Cleanliness Drives

NSS volunteers participate in cleanliness campaigns within the college campus, hospital premises, and nearby communities. Activities include:

- Campus cleaning
- Plastic waste reduction drives
- Public sanitation awareness
- Promotion of hygienic practices

These initiatives support national cleanliness missions and encourage environmental responsibility among students and citizens.

6. Environmental Conservation Activities

Environmental programs organized under NSS often include:

- Tree plantation drives
- Environmental awareness rallies
- Water conservation campaigns
- Promotion of sustainable practices

Such activities help create awareness about environmental health and its impact on human well-being.

7. Road Safety Awareness

NSS volunteers participate in road safety campaigns and observance of Road Safety Week. Activities include public education regarding:

- Helmet use
- Seat-belt compliance
- Safe driving practices
- Prevention of road traffic accidents

These initiatives are important because road accidents remain a major public health concern in India.

8. National Days and Social Observances

The NSS unit regularly celebrates and observes important national and international days, such as:

- World TB Day
- World Leprosy week
- World AIDS Day

- World Health Day
- World Breastfeeding Week
- World Malaria week
- World Diabetes Day
- World Population Day

These observances help spread awareness and encourage student participation in nation-building activities.

9. Special NSS Camps

NSS special camps are usually organized in adopted villages where volunteers spend several days working on community development projects. Activities may include:

- Health surveys
- Health education
- Sanitation projects
- Community interaction
- Environmental improvement programs
- Awareness campaigns on government health schemes

Such camps provide valuable opportunities for students to develop leadership, teamwork, and communication skills.

10. Community Service During Public Health Emergencies

Being students of a government medical college, NSS volunteers contribute to public health support activities whenever required, including awareness campaigns, health promotion activities, and community outreach initiatives under faculty supervision.

Educational Benefits of NSS Participation

Participation in NSS helps medical students develop:

- Leadership qualities
- Communication skills
- Social sensitivity
- Teamwork and cooperation
- Community-oriented medical practice
- Civic responsibility
- Problem-solving abilities

These qualities are essential for future healthcare professionals who serve diverse populations.

The NSS unit of Dr. Shankarrao Chavan Government Medical College & Hospital serves as an important platform for integrating medical education with community service. Through blood donation drives, health awareness campaigns, rural health camps, environmental activities, road safety programs, AIDS awareness initiatives, and village adoption programs, NSS volunteers contribute significantly to public welfare while developing into socially responsible medical professionals. The activities reflect the institution's commitment to its guiding principle of “**Service for Humanity.**”

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Photo Gallery

Mult diagnostic Health Camp



Tree Plantation



Swachh Bharat and Cleanliness Drives



National Unity Day

