

One-week Annual Special Camp at Lekha-Tumru under UBA

The RGU NSS Unit organised NSS special camp programme at the adopted village of Lekha and Tumru from 10th July to 17th July 2018. During the one week stay at the village the NSS volunteers conducted several community services besides taking up activities under Swachh Bharat internship programme. The NSS volunteers conducted village and household survey of the twin villages and organised gram panchayat meeting and identified the critical issues which needed immediate interventions. Accordingly, based on the need assessment the NSS volunteers along with village community of Lekha took up the issue of the water scarcity as faced by the villagers and improved the intake point thereby by reviving the abandoned water collection infrastructure and cleaned the sedimentation tank. The NSS volunteers also improved the dilapidated school building at Lekha. Besides, the NSS volunteers cleared the school compound of Tumru village which is slated to start its first batch from current academic session. The NSS volunteers also organised Swachhta rally and performed nukkadnatak on various themes like harmful impact of using pesticides and weedicides, alcoholism, gambling, Swachhta and environment conservation etc., in the villages of Lekha and Tumru. The special camp was inaugurated by Shri TesiTeya, Gaon Burah Lekha village; who during his brief speech narrated about the establishment of Rajiv Gandhi University and their consequent shifting from the university campus to Lekha village. Dr.V.N Sharma former State Liaison Officer NSS and Vice Chancellor Arunadody University spoke at length about NSS and its role in nation building efforts and personality development of youths through positive community engagement. Dr. David Pertin Joint Registrar (Academic & Conference) during the valedictory function congratulated all the NSS volunteers for successfully completing the annual special camp and for actively participating under Swachhbharat summer internship programme. He also thanked the village community for allowing their village to be adopted under RGU NSS Unit. Meanwhile, he informed that, under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan several villages located in the various parts of the State are adopted by different departments of the University for carrying out community development works. He shared that Lekha-Tumru village cluster will also be experiencing interventions under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan(UBA). The NSS volunteers shared their experiences of the camp and received certificates from the invited guests. Shri.Tana Tala Ex-Chairperson Gram panchayat shared that the main watershed of Lekha is Rono hills itself where RGU is located. Therefore, he urged the NSS volunteers to help in maintaining the green cover for improving the water level in the catchment area. Shri GomarBasar NSS Programme Officer RGU while delivering the vote of thanks urged the village community of Lekha and Tumru village to form watershed management committees to maintain and improve the watershed and water intake point for uninterrupted supply of water throughout the year. He also shared that adult literacy

programme will soon be launched in the village by NSS volunteers for making the village fully literate.



Volunteers during the Swachh Bharat Summer Internship Programme under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA)