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## **NSS CELL, RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY**

(A Central University) Rono Hills, Doimukh-791112 Arunachal Pradesh, India Dear Readers,

NSS CELL of RGU is thankful to our Hon'ble VC Prof. Tamo Mibang, Dr V. N. Sharma NSS SLO, faculty, and administrative staffs for their valuable support and cooperation. We are also indebted to our dear volunteers and students who have spare their precious in the process of building a better society and country. It has been amazing experiences working all. For the last year, we were able to conduct various regular and special programmes with our volunteers and faculty. The National Workshop and MoU signed between NCRI and RGU are one of the milestones in reshaping and reconstruction of rural development. Three of our students have undergone two months summer rural internship at the remote villages of Arunachal Pradesh and submitted their reports to NCRI. We are sure that NSS Cell would be innovative and pragmatic in their future programme. We also look forward to a meaningful and fruitful engagement. With this few words, we would like to thanks everyone again.

NSS Cell, RGU

## **REGULAR AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES**

## NSS PROGRAMME OFFICERS OF RGU

Gomar Basar, Assistant Registrar (Academic) and John Gaingamlung Gangmei faculty of social work inducted as Programme Officer for two NSS Units on February 2016. The unit has conducted various regular and special programmes from 2016 to 2017. Prof. Otem Padung, former NSS Programme Officer of RGU handed over files and documents of NSS Unit with a capping of the PO's in his office.



Prof. Otem former PO with Gomar Basar and John G Gangmei PO's of NSS UNIT

## **BLOOD DONATION: DONATE AND SAFE LIFES**

A blood donation camp held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016, Arunachal Vivekananda Yuva Shakti (AVYS) at Rajiv Gandhi University organized it in collaboration with State Blood Transfusion Council (SBTC) and NSS units. Addressing to the students, Dr Nabum Budh, Deputy Director, SBTC explained the importance and benefit of blood donation. 103 volunteers turned up for the camp for blood donation and collected seventy-one (71) units of blood to the blood bank.



Generous Blood Donors: Dr Nabam, STBC and Gomar Basar, NSS PO with Volunteers

#### WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2018

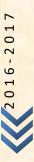
RGU NSS unit observed the World Environment Day (WED) 2016 with a special lecture by Prof. H N Sharma, Coordinator of Centre with Potential for Excellence in Biodiversity, Scholars on the topic "Environment, Climate and Biodiversity of Eastern Himalaya: Arunachal Pradesh" and by planting 376 saplings around the university campus on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2016. The programme was graced by Prof. Amitav Mitra (Finance Officer) and he had also applause and motivated the NSS Unit to continue such efforts in future too. The programme was participated by faculty, scholars and NSS volunteers.



Chief Guest and Resource Person of WED

#### **INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY AT RGU**

The NSS unit of Rajiv Gandhi University celebrated the **"International Yoga Day"** in a befitting manner in the campus on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016. The programme was attended by Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice Chancellor and Prof. Rachob Taba, Registrar besides faculty member, officers, employees and students of Government Secondary School of RGU campus.





Dr. Tadang Minu Assistant Professor Dept. of Physical Education and Shri. Gomar Basar, NSS Programme Officer shared the history, meaning, and importance of Yoga in daily life. The celebration was followed by practice of pranayam and some asanas as demonstrated by Miss Neha Kash and Miss Dolly Barua , yoga trainers who have visited the University from Lakhmibhai National University of Physical Education, North East Regional Cente, Guwahati for conducting Yoga Training programme at RGU.

## **DIGITAL INDIA WORKSHOP**

Digital India Workshop was organised by the NSS Unit in collaboration with National e-Governance Division, an independent division of Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY), and Department of Youth Affairs at Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) on 20th September 2016. The workshop was participated by faculty, students and NSS volunteers from RGU affiliated colleges. The colleges were the Government Women College (GWC), Dera Natung Government College (DNGC), Don Bosco College (DBC) and Vivekananda Kendra College of Teacher Education (VKCTE) and RGU NSS volunteers.



#### Digital India Workshop Participants

Prof. Tamo Mibang (Vice Chancellor of RGU) inaugurated the workshop. Other guests present were Prof. Rachob Taba (Registrar, RGU), Prof. A. Mitra (Finance Officer), Prof. Tasi Kaye (Dean of Student Welfare) and Shri. C. D. Maungyak (Joint Director, Department of IT), Shri. Pinge Doji (Project Officer) and Mr. Abul Haseem (Technical

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Officer State e-mission team), Dr. V. N Sharma (NSS, SLO) and Shri. Sunil Basumutary (Youth Officer, NSS Regional Centre Guwahati). The main objective of the workshop was to '*engage, educate and empower'* students in the Digital India Programme, and to build the capacity of participants as Digital India volunteers and Brand Ambassadors. Approximately 270 students, faculty, and staffs were the direct recipients of Digital India information via these workshops. The events were audio, video, quiz, presentation, skit show performed by the NSS volunteers based on the themes of the workshop. David Pertin, Deputy Registrar of RGU, distributed the prizes. Gomar Basar and John G Gangmei of RGU-NSS Unit programme officers coordinated the workshop.

## **NSS DAY & FORMATION OF ADVENTURE AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB**

The NSS Unit of RGU celebrated the NSS day by organizing a lecture on "Role of Youth in Village Eco-System Management" and formed an "Adventure and Mountaineering Club". Joy Dasgupta delivered the lecture; he is an environmentalist and anthropologist who is based at TERI University, New Delhi. He spoke at length about the prevailing rural socio-economic and cultural dynamics. He shared that the there is a huge gap in the mindset and the approach of looking at things. Consequently, there is variation in lifestyle and habits, therefore he stressed that the youth ought to sincerely observe and patiently engage with the different rural communities. He pointed out that the youths especially the NSS volunteers should quite often visit their adopted villages for having first hand information and understand the existing socio-economic and cultural systems existing in the villages.



Induction and Orientation of NSS Volunteers

Prof. Tomo Riba chaired the programme, he also spoke at length on the possibilities of the changes that present youth could usher in the community especially in the rural areas through partnership and engagement. He highlighted that problems of drug abuse and increase of alcoholism among the youths have become a major societal problem. He urged the NSS volunteers to inculcate the philosophy of "think globally and act locally" as practised by Mahatma Gandhi for bringing perceptible changes in our societies. He urged the NSS volunteers to inculcate the habit of maintaining a diary for recording one's present activities and achievements for future-ready reference and as a personal treasure. Meanwhile, the "Adventure and Mountaineering club" was formed with Dr. David Pertin, Deputy Registrar (Academic) as Chairman and Gomar Basar NSS programme officer as the Secretary of the club with NSS volunteers as group leaders to organize and coordinate various adventure activities for encouraging youths to have holistic personality development. Professor Amitav Mitra, Finance officer and Dr. Vivek Kumar, Assistant professor also attended the NSS day programme and encouraged the students to involve themselves in positive lifestyles and develop own personality through community service along with their regular activities.



#### THREE DAYS NYKS TRAINER'S TRAINING PROGRAMME

Trainer's Training Programme at Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh

A three-day "Trainer's Training" (TOT) was jointly organised by RGU NSS Unit in collaboration with the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan (NYKS, Zonal Office) under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sport (MoYAS), Gol from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at Rajiv Gandhi (Central) University. The participants comprise of NYKS officials, ex-NYV, NSS volunteers, youth leaders, youth clubs members of various colleges, universities, districts of Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh. Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice Chancellor RGU was the Chief Guest of the training. Dr. Salam D Singh, DYC Zonal Director (i/c) of Meghalaya took the session on "Introduction of MoYAS, NYKS, NYV scheme, aim & objective and programmes of NYKS". John G Gangmei Assistant, Professor Dept. of Social Work, RGU took the session on "Life Skills and Personality Development". The programme aims to train a trainer's for empowering the emerging leaders in social sectors by involving youth clubs, NSS volunteers, and National Youth Volunteers (NYV) in their respected districts of Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya. The programme was coordinators by Mr. Olom Talom, DYC (i/c) NYKS Itanagar, Mr. Gomar Basar, Asst. Registrar (Acad)/ NSS PO and Mr. John Gaingamlung Gangmei.

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Prof. Tamo Mibang VC delivering speech at ToTs Programme

## **MOUNTAINEERING AND ADVENTURE CAMP AT NIMAS**

Ten days "Mountaineering and Adventure Camp" from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at NIMAS (National Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports), Ministry of Defence, GoI, at Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh organised by NSS Regional Office of Guwahati for NSS volunteers of two state of North East i.e. Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland.



Army Officers (Trainers) Describing Mountaineering Tools to NSS Volunteers

A total of forty students from various colleges and the university from Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland participated the training along with three Programme Officers (John Gaingamlung Gangmei, RGU NSS Unit RGU; Mr. Lipok Tushi (Asst. Prof) and her colleague from Mt. Olive College NSS Unit of Nagaland. The volunteers have undergone training on basic techniques on rock climbing, rappelling, river crossing, trekking, rescuing, and different techniques of tying ropes. The volunteer also showcases their rich cultural dances and attires during the training programme days.

## SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAAN AND DEDICATION OF NSS PARK

A cleanliness drive was organised at RGU campus premises on the theme "Clean and Green Campus". Prof. Tamo Mibang, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of RGU on 25th November 2016, also dedicated NSS Park. It was participated by NSS volunteers, Sanitation Department, faculty from different departments and students of NSS & Youth Development (Open Elective).



Prof. Tamo Mobang launched SBA and dedicate NSS Park with NSS volunteers and staffs

The NSS volunteers and NSS&YD (Open Elective) students displayed poster Exhibition of the theme. Prof. Mibang expressed his happiness on the overwhelming presence and participation of RGU fraternity for the 'Swatch Bharat Mission' programme.

## NCRI CHAIRMAN VISIT TO RGU AND NSS UNIT ADOPTED VILLAGES



Figure 1: Direction from RGU & Bird eyes views of Lekha and Tomru Village



Dr. W. G Prasanna (NCRI Chairman, MHRD) interacted with Village Chief family and villagers

#### TWO DAYS NATIONAL WORKSHOP IN PROMOTING RESILIENT RURAL INDIA



Guest and Resource Persons of the Workshop

NSS Unit and Department of Social Work in collaboration with National Council Institute of Rural Institute (NCRI), MHRD-GoI, Hyderabad organized two-day national level workshop on 'Transacting Students on Engagement for Promoting Rural Resilience' on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017. The objective of the workshop was to identify the gaps for curriculum inputs in the rural engagement of students, preparation of a draft module for curriculum inputs in identified higher education streams and evolving a methodology for transacting these curriculum inputs in identified higher education streams. Prof. K. C. Kapoor and Dr. W G Prasanna Kumar Chairman NCRI as chief guest and guest of honour respectively attended the inaugural programme. Prof. RM Pant, Director of NIRD&PR, Guwahati delivered a workshop keynote address. The participants were from various central and deemed Universities of North Eastern region: Nagaland University, Mizoram University, Manipur University, TISS Guwahati, Tezpur University, NEHU, NIT, NERIST and NSS programmes officers of various colleges. It was participatory methods was applied for the workshop. The participants identified gaps and developed curriculum for three subjects. John G Gangmei and Gomar Basar coordinated the workshop. It was successfully organised with active support from faculty members and students of three departments: Social Work, Mass Communication, and Education.



#### **RGU INK MOU WITH NCRI, MHRD, GOI**

Rajiv Gandhi University (A Central University) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Council of Rural Institutes (NCRI), MHRD, GoI, Hyderabad on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017. In the valedictory function, MoU was signed between the two eminent institutes by Prof. Mibang and Dr. Prasanna for deeper linkages and cooperation in promoting resilient rural India through curriculum accreditation, curriculum design, development, JRF/SRF-fellowship, and promotion for higher education programmes.



Exchanging MoU: Prof. Tamo Mibang, VC-RGU and Dr. Prassana Kumar, Chairperson-NCRI, MHRD.

## NSS PO ATTENDED RURAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, UNNAT BHARAT ABHIYAN AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBLE WORKSHOP

Mr. Gomar Basar NSS PO attended a workshop on the "UNESCO Chair in Community Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education" organised by NCRI, Hyderabad on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017. It was focus on rural community engagement, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and socially responsible. Participants were taken on a field trip to rural villages to get first-hand learning experiences.

#### FINANCIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

A Financial Literacy Workshop was organised to create awareness among the young investors at RGUEA Hall on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017. The NSS unit and RGUEA jointly organized the literacy workshop. SEBI, Dr Shibabrata Choudhury, Associate Professor of NERSIT sponsored the programme and a certified financial education trainer of SEBI was the resource person.



#### **GENDER AND LEGAL SENSITISATION WORKSHOP**

A one day Gender and Legal Sensitization programme were organized for the students and volunteers at RGU mini auditorium in collaboration with RGNIYD, Seriperumbudr, Tamil Nadu. The resource persons were the former CWC members, State Legal Service and Director of Women. More than 100 volunteers and students participates the workshop.



**BETI BACHAO BETI PADAO WORKSHOP** 

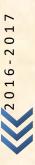


Panoramic views of the programme

A one-day awareness programme on Beti Bachao Beti Padao was organized at RGU Mini Auditorium in collaboration with RGNIYD, Seriperumbudr, Tamil Nadu.

## **NSS AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IN PG COURSE**

Academic Council of RGU approved NSS and Youth Development paper. RGU is the first university to introduce as a paper in PG degree in NE India. It was introduced as an Open Elective Paper for 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester PG students of RGU from July 2016 under the Department of Social Work. The first batched comprised of 39 students from different departments opt the paper. The Course Coordinator will be Mr. John Gangmei, Department of Social Work. Mr. Basumatary, NSS-Regional Director, Guwahati has acknowledged the University for introducing the paper in his visit for the Digital India Workshop held on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016.



#### **CENTRE FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP STUDIES ESTABLISHED**

On 14<sup>th</sup> October 2016 Approved by 17<sup>th</sup> AC Meeting, Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh was appointed as the Chairperson of the CYDLS.

#### **NSS SPECIAL CAMP**

Students and NSS volunteers have participated the 3 days "Special Camp" held at the Chimpu an adopted village of RGU-Community Development Cell under the aegis of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. They have organized awareness programme, shramdhan, blood donation, sanitation and cultural programmes at the village. HoD and faculty of Sociology along with NSS Unit led the camp.



Evening entertainment session with villagers

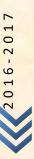
#### About RGU

Rajiv Gandhi University (formerly Arunachal University) A Central University is the premier institution for higher education in the state of Arunachal Pradesh and it has completed twenty-five years of its existence. Late Smt. Indira Gandhi, the then Prime Minister of India, laid the foundation stone of the university on 4<sup>th</sup> February 1984 at Rono Hills, where the present campus is located. Ever since its inception, the university has been trying to achieve excellence and fulfil the objectives as envisaged in the University Act.

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Rock Climbing and Rappling: John Gangmei NSS PO and NSS Volunteers of Arunachal Pradesh









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