

<u>REPORT OF THE NCC ACTIVITIES 2019-20</u>

As India stepped into the grand theater of the twenty-first century, it found itself enveloped in a tapestry of novel challenges, demanding sturdy solutions to fortify the nation's resilience. In this era of transformative potential, India, with an astute eye, recognized the pivotal role of its burgeoning youth in navigating the ship of state towards the golden shores of future prosperity. Hence, with a stroke of strategic brilliance, India embraced institutions such as the National Cadet Corps (NCC) as invaluable instruments for national advancement, akin to jewels adorning the crown of progress.

The roots of the illustrious NCC stretch back to the bygone era of the University Corps, woven into the fabric of history by the Indian Defense Act of 1917. Conceived initially to address the pressing manpower shortages plaguing the hallowed halls of the Armed Forces, this humble beginning sprouted forth into the magnificent tree of the National Cadet Corps in 1948, under the auspices of the NCC Act XXXI of 1948, gracefully nurtured under the protective wings of the Ministry of Defence. This transition, akin to the blooming of a lotus in the morning dew, was guided by the sage counsel of a committee helmed by the venerable Pandit H. N. Kunzru, summoned forth in 1964 at the behest of none other than the visionary Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Initially, the NCC found itself nestled within the ivory towers of universities, a sanctuary for intellectual pursuits. Yet, as time unfurled its grand tapestry, the NCC, akin to a graceful phoenix rising from the ashes of tradition, spread its wings to encompass the fertile grounds of schools and colleges. Though its genesis was humble, with aspirations to enlist a modest number of Senior Division and Junior Division

cadets, the NCC has blossomed into a majestic oak, with a sanctioned strength of 4.33 lakhs for senior division and 7.30 lakhs for junior division cadets. While this may seem but a fraction of the eligible student populace, it symbolizes the profound impact of a nurturing environment, where the seeds of discipline, patriotism, and social responsibility are sown and tended with utmost care.

Over the passage of time, the NCC has blossomed into a multifaceted jewel, its facets reflecting the brilliance of myriad pursuits beyond the mere realm of drill and weapon training. It now embraces a kaleidoscope of activities, from the spirited joy of games and sports to the disciplined artistry of various skill-building exercises. Its training modules have expanded to encompass a rich tapestry of disciplines, from the precision of drill and firing to the art of map reading and the gentle touch of first aid. Camp training, akin to a sacred pilgrimage, has emerged as a cornerstone of the NCC's edifice, nurturing camaraderie and resilience in the hearts of its cadets.

Moreover, the NCC has become a beacon of hope in the community, fostering awareness and empathy among the youth through a myriad of community development initiatives. From the crimson tide of blood donation drives to the luminous glow of adult literacy programs, from the sculpting of skills to the harmonious melody of participation in national campaigns such as the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, the NCC stands as a bastion of service and solidarity, an oasis in the desert of indifference.

In essence, the National Cadet Corps stands as a testament to the indomitable spirit of India's youth, nurtured and molded into pillars of strength and virtue. It is not merely an organization that imparts military training but a sanctum where the values of discipline, patriotism, and social responsibility are etched into the very soul of the nation's future custodians. Its role in shaping well-rounded citizens and contributing to the tapestry of national development remains as vital as the beating heart of a nation on its journey towards progress and prosperity.

<u>HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR</u>

Alphonsa College NCC unit has a strength of 108 cadets and an officer. 58 cadets were enrolled this year.

ALL INDIA TAL SAINIK CAMP DELHI

CPL Binupriya Babu attended the Tal Sainik Camp held at New Delhi and won gold Medal in Obstacle Course.



EK BHARAT SRESHT BHARAT CAMP

UO Thressyamma Joseph, CQMS Ann Mary Pious, Sergeant Aswathy Manoj, Sergeant Sreepriya KR, CSM Preethymol Mathewand Sergeant Aleena Biji attended EkBharathSreshtBharath camp held at Kasaragod.



TAL SAINIK CAMP INTER GROUP COMPETITION

CPL Liya Sunny attended the Inter Group Competition of the Tal sainik Camp held at Kozhikode.

The cadets of the Sub unit performed exceptionally well during the flood relief activities. We raised a sum of Rs. 10,000 and distributed Survival kits to three Flood Relief Camps in and around Pala on 6th August. On 17 we opened a collection centre at the College to help the flood survivors at Wayanad. Other than food grains and other materials, we raised a sum of Rs. 20,000 for Wayanad. On 1 December cadets visited St.Joseph's Orphanage Kummannoor and gifted the children school stationaries and Rs. 10,000. The amount was raised by collecting scraps and selling it to vendors.

Commemorating the 150 Birth anniversary of Mahathma Gandhi various programmes were organized. An Anti Plastic Campaign was launched by collecting used Plastic Carry bags from household and distributing of Cloth Bags in return. An awareness rally and a Talk on Green Living was also organized. National Integration week was celebrated by taking Integrity pledge and conducting a Ramp show exhibiting the cultural highlights of 12 Indian states. Street plays were organized communicating the messages against drug abuse and Swatchata.

As part of Ex Yogdan, the cadets of the college made 1200 face masks and distributed to various voluntary organizations. 70 cadets of the sub unit completed COVID 19 training for NCC Cadets conducted by the ministry of Human Resource and Development through iGOT. The sub unit also assisted the district administration

in compiling the data of migrant works in Kottayam district. they also imitated various awareness programmers through online media.

As part of the 20th Anniversary of Operation Vijay, a quiz competition was organized. The cadets also volunteered for various blood donation camps organized by voluntary organizations. as part of national integration week A cultural fiesta was organized highlighting the cultural specification of various Indian states.

The Associate NCC Officer Lt. Anu Jose was awarded the Best ANO of 5 Kerala Girls Bn NCC award by Kottayam NCC group Head Quarters.

> Flood Relief Activities

The NCC Sub unit got themselves actively involved in the flood relief activities. They selflessly served as volunteers at the flood relief camps in and around Pala. The cadets visited various flood relief camps and distributed survival kits worth Rs. 10,000. Each kit contains food grains and other basic necessities for a family to survive for a week.



The NCC sub unit launched a flood relief campaign on 17 August 2019 to help the people affected by flood in the district of Wayanad. As part of the campaign, cadets raised a sum of Rs. 20,000 to prepare survival kits.



> Blood Donation

The cadets of the NCC sub unit served as volunteers and donors in the blood donation camp organized under the auspices Pala Municipality on 14 June 2019 and in the blood donation camp organised by HDFC bank on 29 November 2019









> Orphanage Visit

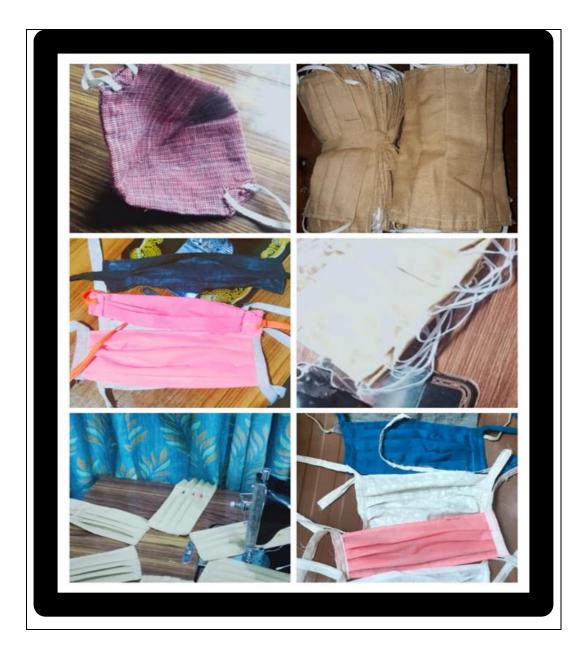
As part of the NCC Day celebrations, the cadets visited St.Joseph's Orphanage. They handed over a sum of Rs. 10,000,raised by the cadets by selling used paper which they collected from the various departments of the college.



> Mask Distribution

To help fight COVID 19 pandemic the cadets of the sub unit made awareness videos and posted it in varied social media platforms. Added to that they made and distributed face masks to voluntary youth organizations and households





> COVID Duty

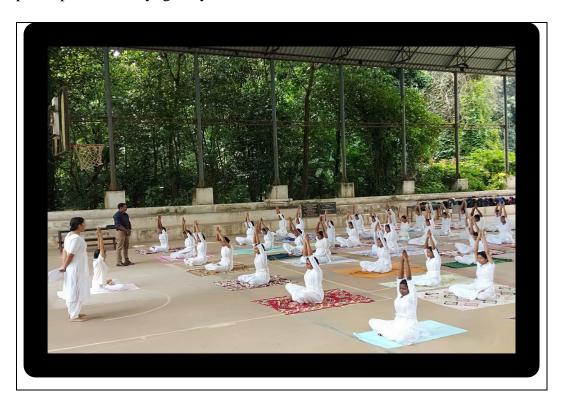
The sub unit also assisted the district administration in compiling the data of guest workers residing in Kottayam district. Assistance was given in documenting the details collected from various labour camp





International Yoga Day June 2019

International Yoga Day is celebrated on 21 June every year. This year 50 cadets participated in the yoga day celebrations.



Rashtriya Ektha Diwas

As part of the National Integration week, the cadets initiated many programmes including oath taking and cultural fiesta. The culture of 11 Indian states were demonstrated by the cadets



> Best Associate NCC Officer Award

Lt. Anu Jose, Associate NCC Officer of the sub unit was selected as the Best ANO of 5 Kerala Girls' battalion NCC Changanacherry by the NCC group Head Quarters Kottayam.





"With unity and courage, we march to defend; NCC, the strength of our nation we commend."