

National Service Scheme

Rational

National Service Scheme – Maganbhai Adenwala Mahagujarat University is institutionalized under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports Govt. of India. The functional objective of the unit is to motivate students to indulge in Nation building activities, through various events and projects which are aimed towards the benefit of in and around people. These activities inculcate belongingness to each other and service attitude to society with self-satisfaction.

Organization

NSS wing of Maganbhai Adenwala Mahagujarat University got approval of three units consists of 100 volunteers each. Units and the programming Officers are as follows:

Sr. No	NSS Unit	Volunteers	Programming Officer	Boys	Girls	Total
01	Unit 01	100	Dr Bhagyashri Tandel			100
	Ayurveda					
02	Unit 02	100	Shri Jyot Darji			100
	Nursing					
03	Unit 03	50	Shri Parh Parikh			50
	BCA& MLT					
	TOTAL	250	Dr Chintan Bhatt			250

- The above three unit's volunteers and Programming Officers are working in collaboration with University NSS Coordinator and MAM University NSS Advisory Committee.
- The University NSS Coordinator always interacting with Programme Coordinator, NSS Bureau, Gujarat state and Sports & Youth Affair Ministry New Delhi and its allied agencies.

Aims and Objectives

The main objectives of National Service Scheme (NSS) are as listed below.

• Inculcate spirit of nobility, social and civic responsibility along with academic interest

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- Understand the community needs and articulating the students' relation for the societal development work.
- Identify the needs and problems of the community and involve them in problem-solving with harmony
- Utilize their knowledge in finding practical solutions to individual and community problems
- Develop competence required for group-living and sharing of responsibilities
- Gain skills in mobilizing community through active participation at the state level
- Acquire leadership qualities and democratic attitudes
- Develop capacity to meet emergencies and natural disasters
- Develop and nurturing strong will power, endurance and foresightedness to face emergencies
- Stimulate national integration and social harmony among youth

Motto

The motto of National Service Scheme is NOT ME BUT YOU

Being an active member these student volunteers would have the exposure and experience to be the following:

- ✤ an accomplished social leader
- ✤ an efficient administrator
- ✤ a person who understands human nature

Duties of the Program Officer

- He /She will plan NSS regular activities and special camping programme.
- The programme officer will ensure that NSS volunteers complete the prescribed hours in regular activities and participate in special camping programme as per requirements.
- He /She will divide the NSS unit into different groups and assign the definite task and targets and projects to each group.
- He /She will supervise the work of NSS volunteers.
- He /She will maintain the necessary records and registers prescribed by programme coordinator of the university.



- He /She will ensure that the basic aims of NSS programme i.e. personality development of NSS volunteers, interaction of the different classes of the society take place harmoniously and the NSS volunteers and community are benefitted from the activities of NSS unit.
- He /She will be responsible for the equipment and stores purchased out of NSS funds. He /She will hand over the charge of NSS equipment and stores to his/her successor at the end of his/her tenure.
- He /She will spend the NSS grants as per administrative and financial directives of University NSS programme coordinator.

Duties of the University NSS Coordinator

- He /She will plan NSS regular activities and special camping programme for all units.
- ✤ He /She will supervise the work of NSS program offocers.
- He /She will submit the reports to the NSS regional center periodically, NSS state liaison officer and Sports & Youth Affair Ministry New Delhi and its allied agencies.
- ✤ He /She will ensure the submission of accounts in time.
- He /She will liase with the officials of the department of NSS projects and activities.
- He /She will convene the meeting of the college advisory committee in consultation with the Vice Chancellor and Registrar of the University as laid down in the NSS manual.

Responsibilities of NSS – MAM University

NSS volunteers generally work with villages, society and voluntary agencies to complete 120 hours of regular activities during an academic year. As per the fundamental principles of National Service Scheme, a volunteer is expected to remain in constant touch with the community. Hence, it is of vital importance that a particular village/slum is selected for implementation of NSS programmes. As the NSS volunteer is to live with the members of the community and learn from their experience during his/her tenure in NSS, the village/slum should be carefully selected for adoption by NSS unit

1 Adoption of Villages

Adoption of a village and area is a very meaningful programme in NSS. It is far better to concentrate attention on one village and take up the task for development perspective, than to fritter away energy



in many locations involving too many activities which may not be completed at all or where the follow up action may not be possible. From this point of view, village adoption programme should ensure continuity of work vice versa sustained action, evaluation and follow up work.

Contacting Village/Area Leaders

As a first step in this programme, it is necessary to establish contact with more than one village which would help to select a village where 'Leadership' is well established. In other words, selecting a village with proper leadership is very important as the sustained follow up action and evaluation is ensured in such places. To start with, the NSS unit can take the help of the Block Authorities, District Panchayat Officer, District Tribal Welfare Officer, and District Medical Officer, Extension Officer of Agriculture, Irrigation and Education Departments for the selection of the village. It is to be noted that the selected villages should be within a short distance from the college so that constant contact can easily be made.

Survey of the Village/Area

Before drawing up the plan of action, it is absolutely necessary to conduct a comprehensive survey of few villages situated at a short distance from the college. The assistance from the teachers and students of agriculture, economics, commerce, geography, statistics, home science, social work, medicine, psychology and education etc. have to be sought for the purpose. Conducting socio-economic survey can be an interesting field activity which has direct bearing on the curriculum of economics, commerce, statistics, psychology, health education etc. The report of such a survey will provide up-to-date information about the problems and potentials of the village and help in programme planning for village development. The applied field work will help the students to increase their analytical ability and deepen their thinking. Further, this will help them to identify the problems which have been left unnoticed. The survey work can also be accomplished with the help of PRA exercises (Participatory Rural Appraisal)



Identification of Problems

- It is on the basis of this need assessment that projects/Programmes are to be formulated. The programme officers should use their discretion and should identify the projects which can be completed by seeking assistance from the communities/other agencies.
- As the aim of adoption of village or area is to give new ideas of development to the villagers which would improve their living conditions. Once the trust of the communities is won, they start cooperating with the NSS volunteers and approach them for solution of their problems. One of the important services that can be rendered by NSS volunteers is disseminating information about the latest developments in agriculture, watershed management, wastelands development, non-conventional energy, low cost housing, sanitation, nutrition and personal hygiene, schemes for skill development, income generation, government schemes, legal aid, consumer protection and allied field. A liaison between government and other development agencies like Banks, IRDP, ICDS, NREP, DWCRA, JRY etc. can also be made.
- The Programme Officers (PO) should motivate the communities to involve themselves with NSS for the community development work undertaken by the NSS unit. Further he or she will have to seek the help of various government departments and agencies for technical advice and financial assistance. Therefore, he/she must establish lathes good rapport with the government officials and development agencies. For this, it is better if the administration is taken into confidence by prior consultations.

Completion of Projects

As already stated, the Programme Officer must select the projects very carefully as the image of NSS depends upon the successful completion of such projects. Successful completion of the projects can win appreciation and credit of the community.

Evaluation of Project

Every project should be evaluated after its completion by involving members of the community, Government officials and Panchayat officials. The NSS unit should learn from the lapses in the execution of the project and plan for the next project keeping in view the bottlenecks and constraints faced by them during the earlier project.



2 Coordination with Voluntary Organizations

It may be noted that the NSS unit has no financial resource to implement any programme in the adopted villages or slum on its own. Therefore, a successful unit has to closely coordinate with the government agencies and voluntary organizations working in this field.

After identification of the needs of the community and the selection of projects, the programme officer should look for the Government agency or a voluntary organization that can assist in the completion of a particular project.

The different departments of the Government like forest, agriculture, adult education, health, child and family welfare, can render very useful assistance to the project pertaining to community work. Voluntary organizations can also help in forming public opinion in favor of NSS projects.

Adult education samitis, Nasha Bandi Boards, Yuva Mandals and Manila Mandals can provide additional assistance to the NSS units.

Similarly, voluntary land statutory welfare agencies such as Community Centres, Residential Institutions for children/women, the Aged and Institutions for physically handicapped and disabled can provide a wide scope of the choice of service to the NSS volunteers.

NSS volunteers can be placed with these agencies considering the inherent aptitudes and inclinations of NSS volunteers. NSS volunteers must be told to develop a sense of belonging and respect for the people with whom they are working.

Working in close collaboration with these agencies will help the NSS volunteers in understanding the problems of a vulnerable section of the society.

The work opportunities in the welfare institutions may be enumerated as under.

- Adoption of welfare institutions and helping the inmates and staff by arranging outings, fund collection drives, reading and writing letters for those who are unable to do so.
- Propagation of the message of small family norms, health education, small savings drives etc.



- Organization of economic development activities.
- Establishment of hobby centers
- ✤ Assisting in the rehabilitation work of the disabled, destitute etc

In addition, NSS units and welfare agencies can take up joint community development projects and other Programmes of community welfare land awareness depending on the local needs.

The NSS Programme Officers should plan activities in the adopted village or slum in such a way that the leisure time of the NSS volunteers can be utilized in the service of adopted village or slum. Weekend visits to the adopted areas provide suitable opportunities to live with the community and know their problems and make an earnest effort to do something for them.

Similarly, efforts should be made to follow up the work done in the areas earlier. Such sustained efforts will flower into friendship between the NSS unit and the community. These activities can be arranged through one day camps and frequent visits under regular activities.

3. Regular Events

List of International and National Days/Weeks to be Observed by National Service Scheme

Month	Date	Days	
January	12 th	National Youth Day	
-	26 th	Republic Day	
	30 th	Martyr Day	
March	8 th	International Women Day	
April	7 th	World Health Day	
May	21 st	Anti-Terrorism Day	
-	31 st	World No Tobacco Day	
June	5^{th}	World Environment Day	
July	11 th	World Population Day	
August	15 th	Independence Day	
	20 th	Sadbavana Day	
September	8 th	International Literacy Day	
-	15 th	International Peace Day	
	24 th	NSS Day	
October	1 st	National Blood Donation Day	
	2 nd	Communal Harmony Day	
November	19 th	National Integration Day	
December	1 st	World AIDS Day	
	10 th	World Human Rights Day	



NSS Advisory Committee

University's NSS activities are co-ordinated by NSS Advisory Committee. The composition of the NSS Advisory Committee consists

- The Vice Chancellor of the University Chairman
- Registrar of the University Member
- University NSS Coordinator Member Secretary
- Deans of the institutes Member
- Representative of NSS District Coordinator Member
- Representative of adopted village/slum/society/welfare agency Member
- ✤ NSS program officers Member
- Two leader from students NSS volunteers Member

Accordingly, NSS Advisory Committee – MAM University has been constituted as follows.

No	Name	Designation	Post	Contact number
1	Prof. Dr S N Gupta	Chairman	Vice Chancellor	98252 61305
2	Prof. D. J. Vyas	Member	Registrar	91069 16104
3	Dr Chintan Bhatt	Mem. Sec.	Uni. NSS Coordinator	88493 19542
4	Dr Kalapi Patel	Member	Deans of the institutes	94286 61664
5	Dr Virendra Jain	Member	Deans of the institutes	75676 60166
6	Dr Hardik Yagnik	Member	In charge BCA college	97245 67890
7		Member	Representative of adopted agency	
8	Dr Bhagyashri Tandel	Member	NSS program officer	94290 63785
9	Shri Jyot Darji	Member	NSS program officer	95587 83860
10	Shri Parth Parikh	Member	NSS program officer	78020 37434
11		Member	leader student NSS volunteers	
12		Member	leader students NSS volunteer	
13		Member	leader students NSS volunteer	



Roll of NSS Advisory Committee

- Overall function of the NSS Advisory Committee is to advise on carious activities of NSS at university level based on the need of the community and students
- NSS Advisory Committee should meet at least four times during the year
- NSS Advisory Committee has to discuss, monitor, guide and motivate the matter pertaining to various activities and projects of NSS
- It has to review and make future plan for the various activities and projects of NSS
- ✤ It has to control and supervise the account and financial matter of University NSS wing
- Member secretary has to keep the records, to prepare the minutes and to submit the report to the concerned authorities in time to time.

Date: 01/03/2024

Place: Nadiad



[Prof. D. J. Vyas]

Registrar

Approved by

[Prof. Dr S. N. Gupta]

Vice Chancellor