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# NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

A Central Sector Scheme of Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India launched in the Mahatma Gandhi's Birth Centenary Year 1969, as a Voluntary Service Programme of Student Youth. Largest student youth movement in the world to establish linkage between campus and community.



We aim to arouse the Social  
Consciousness of the Youth with an overall  
objective of 'Personality Development of  
Students through Community Service'



**NOT ME, BUT YOU!**  
Our Motto reflects the essence of  
Democratic Living & upholds the need for  
Selfless Service.

## OBJECTIVES

- Understand the community in which they work
- Understand themselves in relation to their community
- Identify the needs and problems of the community and involve them in problem solving process
- Develop among themselves a sense of social and civic responsibility
- Utilize their knowledge in finding practical solution to individual and community problems

## LINKAGES

- Campus and Community
- Institution and Village
- Knowledge and Action

## NSS STRENGTH

- In the year 1969 there were 40,000 NSS volunteers
- In 2016-17 the strength was 3.8 million
- 15 Regional Directorate of NSS
- 36 State NSS Cells
- 42 Councils for +2
- 11,894 Schools
- 20 Empanelled Training Institute
- 396 Universities
- 16331 College/Technical Institutions

## PROGRAMMES

Two types of Programmes

- **Regular Activities**
- **Special Camping**

### Regular Activities

- Each NSS unit in the college/school has normally 100 Volunteers
- Each NSS Unit adopts a village/slum for its activities
- Every volunteer is enrolled for two years
- Every volunteer is expected to devote minimum of 240 hours of Community Service in consecutive two years

### Special Camping Programme

- Special Camp of Seven Days duration each is organized in adopted village/slum Areas
- Every NSS Unit have to adopt one village /slum
- Only 50 NSS volunteers of the unit can attend Special Camping Programme.

## THRUST AREAS



Social Harmony and  
National Integration



Functional Literacy



Environment  
Enrichment



Life Skills Education



Women  
Development and  
Gender Justice



Disaster  
Management



Adolescent Health  
and Development



Cleanliness Drive

## NATURE OF CORE ACTIVITIES OF NSS

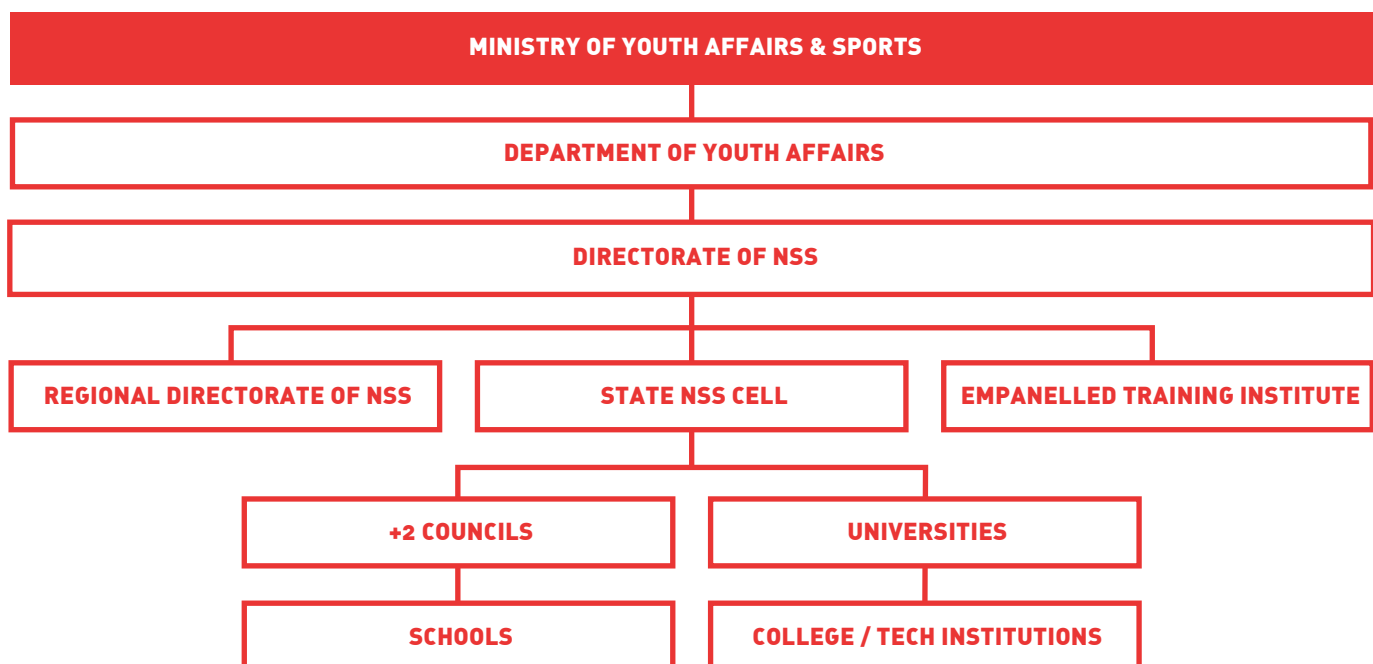
- Education
- Health, Family Welfare & Nutrition
- Environment Conservation
- Awareness Generation on Social Issues
- Relief and Rehabilitation during Natural Calamities
- Production Oriented Programmes

## NSS STRUCTURE

- The Directorate of NSS, Delhi is headed by the Director/ Programme Adviser, and assisted by the Deputy Programme Adviser, Assistant Programme Adviser, Youth Officers
- There are 15 NSS Regional Directorates at Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Bhubaneswar, Bhopal, Chandigarh, Chennai, Delhi, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kolkata, Lucknow, Patna, Pune, and Thiruvananthapuram headed by the Deputy Programme Adviser/ Assistant Programme Adviser and Youth Officers designated as Regional Director
- At the State Level, there are State NSS Cells in each State/ UT headed by a State NSS Officer. There are NSS Structures at University & College Level
- At University level, University NSS Cell headed by Programme Coordinator and at College/ institution level, NSS Units are headed by Programme Officers.
- There are empanelled Training Institutions (ETI) that conduct trainings to NSS Programme Officers. There are about 20 ETIs across the country and the duration of the training is 7 Days

## OTHER ACTIVITIES/PROGRAMMES

- **National Adventure Programme**  
10 days adventure programme in identified National Level Mountaineering and Adventure Institutes. In each batch, 20 NSS volunteers and 2 NSS Programme Officers participate.
- **National Integration Camp**  
7 days programme in which 150 to 200 NSS volunteers from 7 to 10 states participate
- **National Youth Festival**  
Conducted every year from 12 to 16 January in which about 3000 to 5000 youth from all over the country participate.
- **Pre-Republic Day Camps**  
Every year 5 Pre-RD Camps are held for a duration of 10 days in which 200 NSS volunteers from 5 to 10 states of the zone participate  
From this camp deserving volunteers are selected for Republic Day Parade Camp held every year in January
- **Republic Day Parade Camp**  
RD Parade Camp is held every year in Delhi from 1 to 31 January in which 200 NSS Volunteers along with 15 Programme Officers participate.
- **NSS Day and Observance of National & International Days of Relevance**
- **National Service Scheme Awards**  
Every year the National Service Scheme Award is conferred to 30 NSS volunteers, 10 Programme Officers, 10 Units and 2 Universities. Appreciation Certificate(s) are also given to one or more Universities for the outstanding contributions rendered by them. The award is given by the President of India.





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