

## **NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS)**

### **Q.1 What is the meaning of NSS?**

Ans. National Service Scheme (NSS) is a large scale community service program, which is aimed towards building the social consciousness of young people at a pan national level. The program with the network of University, College, School, students and teachers across India is one of government led youth program based on the principles of voluntarism. The uniqueness of the program is that it is completely managed and run by volunteers who are dedicated and committed to the cause of social change and are ready to share their time, skills and resources to bring out the best within this change.

### **Q.2 How is the University of Delhi involved with the whole process of National Service Scheme (NSS)?**

Ans. University of Delhi is the premier University of the country, known for the high standards in teaching and research and attracts eminent scholars to its faculty. University of Delhi took up the NSS Program in 1969, when it was started nationwide in Mahatma Gandhi's centenary year. NSS in University of Delhi has been able to bring colleges of the University closer to the society. It is an effort to combine knowledge and social action to help achieve results, which support community development.

### **Q.3 What are the objectives of National Service Scheme (NSS)?**

Ans. The objectives of National Service Scheme (NSS) are mentioned as under:

- To enable the students to understand the community in which they work.
- To make the students understand themselves in relation with their community.
- To identify the needs and problems of the community and find a solution of which they can be part of.
- To develop among students a sense of social and civic responsibility.
- To apply the education of students in finding practical solution to individual and community problems.
- To develop competence required for group living and sharing responsibilities as well as gaining skills in mobilizing community participation.
- To acquire leadership qualities and democratic attitude.
- To develop capacity to meet emergencies and national disasters and
- To practice national integration.

### **Q. 4 How many students of University of Delhi are enrolled in to the National Service Scheme program?**

Ans. National Service Scheme (NSS) Centre of University of Delhi receives enrollment of about 14, 500 student volunteers from various Colleges of University of Delhi.

### **Q.5 How can someone get admitted into the NSS program?**

Ans. Firstly one has to take admission in a college of University of Delhi and then has to enroll himself/ herself into the NSS society of the College according to the terms and conditions.

### **Q. 6 What kind of activities are conducted by the National Service Scheme in colleges?**

Ans. National Service Scheme (NSS) is a continuing program. Many activities are conducted by NSS on regular basis.

Most of the NSS Unit of the Colleges opens 'Help Counters' for the students coming to take admission in the Colleges. These Counters provide the students all sorts of information for their admission and function for about one month.

- Most of the NSS Units involve their student volunteers into different activities like Seminars, Workshops, and Debates on the different social issues.
- The National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers also actively participate in the different activities of renowned Non- Government Organizations (NGOs).
- The NSS Units organize Self Defense Training Program for the NSS volunteers in many girls' colleges.
- Some colleges of University of Delhi have participated in a pilot project with NGO Parvah, training students and strengthening Youth Citizenship in University of Delhi.
- The National Service Scheme units of the Colleges organize NSS Annual day in their respective college to highlight the activities carried out during the year where most active NSS students' volunteers are awarded with prizes & certificate for their encouragement.

**Q.7 Is there any fee to join the NSS program?**

Ans. Yes, there is fee @ Rs.20/- per student admitted in the College. Students may contact to the NSS Program Officer in the concerned college to join NSS.

**Q.8 Is the NSS program mandatory for every student of the college?**

Ans. No, there is no compulsion to join the NSS program as it is a volunteer based program. However, those who are interested in providing their services they have to complete 120 hours of service to the community.

**Q.9 What is the eligibility criteria to acquire a certificate in National Service Scheme Program?**

Ans. The eligibility criteria to acquire a certificate in National Service Scheme Program depend from college to college and the students' participation in the regular activities which is conducted by the NSS Department.

**Q.10 What is the scope of the NSS program?**

Ans. National Service Scheme (NSS) is a part of the academic program because of which NSS has been functioning as a regular feature in the realm of the college education. The overall objective of the scheme is educational and service to the community. It is a student-centered program in which projects are implemented by the NSS volunteers in the community and thereby, it provides vast scope for the students' interaction with the rural masses. Thus, the scheme is aimed at developing the human soul in such a way that the student is mentally shaped to fit into the society to which he/she also belongs and shall continue to live in.

**Q.11 Where can one contact for further clarification?**

Ans. Candidates can contact at the following address for further clarification:

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