A seminar on 'Swatchata' conducted as part of 'SwatchataPakhwada by NSS Units of St. Joseph College, 2-8-2017, Visakhapatnams

In view to keep the surroundings and the country clean and as part of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Swatcha Bharath Mission initiative, 'SwatchataPakhwada' a clean fortnight began in St. Joseph College for Women, Visakhapatnam today. The NSS Programme Officers Dr. K. Manikya Kumari and Dr. CH. Annapurna conducted a seminar on the topic 'Swatchata' to create awareness about the cleanliness among the students and their role in keeping the community clean. Addressing the gathering, the Guest speaker Mrs. Gnana Prasuna, Lecturer in Economics, advised the NSS Volunteers to maintain the integrity and cleanliness of the country as responsible citizens. The principal of the college, Sis. Shyji told students to keep their college campus neat and clean every day and educate others about it. Later, led by Dr.Manikya Kumari along with the Principal, students and faculty took 'Swatcha Pledge'.





NSS Volunteers of St. Joseph College took a rally and performed Street Play on AIDS, Gnanapuram, 01-12-2017

NSS Volunteers and Programme Officer Dr. K. Manikya Kumari of St. Joseph College organised a rally in their adopted village Gnanapuram, Sebastian colony, Babunagar and other localities on 'World AIDS Day' today. Several students participated in the rally holding placards and raising slogans about the causes and prevention of AIDS. They advised the people to show concern towards the HIV affected people, not to alienate them from the rest of the society and forget the stigma about AIDS. They propagated that AIDS can be prevented if adhere to lifestyle change, practice abstinence from unwanted sex, be faithful to their life partners and practice safe sex using condoms. Apart from taking rally, students performed a street play titled 'Value of Life' depicting important aspects of HIV/AIDS and need for thorough blood test by pregnant women. They explained the general public not to use unsterilized syringes, infected blood transfusion, unsafe sex, tattooing which may sometimes lead to HIV infection.





Awareness program on Open defecation, infectious diseases and toilet construction in Adopted Village by NSS Unit. 9-8-2017, Visakhapatnam

As part of cleanliness fort -night the NSS Unit I of St. Joseph's College for Women (A), had organized an awareness program in their adopted village Sebastian colony today on open defecation, construction of toilets and how to maintain cleanliness in their surroundings to avoid infectious diseases. Speaking to the local people, NSS Program Officer Dr. K. Manikya Kumari said that open fecation causes several infectious diseases, some of them may be lethal. Prevention of health hazards is important in order to lead a healthy life. She said that construction of toilets and their cleanliness must be given priority. A good number of student volunteers approached as many local people as possible and advised them about hygienic living. The students enquired people about the number of households having toilets. They said that majority households have toilets but some of them have not got sanctioned by the government.





'Hand wash and Disease Prevention' awareness programme held

25-9-2017, Visakhapatnam

In view of the increasing disease incidence in connection with unhygienic conditions and lack of personal hygiene, the NSS Unit of St. Joseph's College for Women (A) organised an awareness programme on 'Hand wash and Disease Prevention' in their adopted village Sebastian colony, Gnanapuram. As per the instructions by the central Govt. under 'Swacchata Hi Seva' and to commemorate NSS Day on 24th September, Programme Officer Dr. K. Manikya Kumari along with more than 30 NSS Volunteers met the general public, women, children and aged people and explained them about the importance of Hand Wash demonstrating the steps of hand wash by showing placards and posters. They advised people to wash their hands thoroughly before meals and after going to toilet to prevent deadly diseases like typhoid, dysentery, jaundice and other infectious diseases. The street vendors and school children were also sensitised to keep their personal hygiene to be healthy.





Independence day observed15-8-2017

The NSS Contingent also took part in the Independence Day parade along with the NCC cadets, Sports and Yoga students and offered salute to the National Flag. The programme ended with patriotic songs and cultural programmes depicting struggle for Independence. College Correspondent Dr. Sis. Veronica was present.



NSS Units of St. Joseph College Observed 'International Yoga Day' 21-6-2017, Visakhapatnam

The NSS Units I of St. Joseph's college for Women (Autonomous) observed 'International Yoga Day' today in the college premises in a fitting way. The programme was organised by the NSS Programme officers Dr. K. Manikya Kumari. College Principal Dr. Sister Shyji inaugurated the programme. More than 100 students, well trained in various yogasanas, participated in the programme and performed Thadasana, vrikshasana, suryanamaskar, pranayama and vajrasanas. The programme was lead by Yoga Instructor of the college Mrs. As part of the programme an essay writing competition on the topic 'Yoga for Healthy Living' and an elocution competition on the topic 'Importance of Yoga in everyday life' were conducted a day before International yoga day. Dr. Ch. Annapurna, NCC officer Captain Dr. K. Sujatha and Physical Director Dr. Seshulatha, Mr. Rajesh and Ms. Kusuma Kumari were present.



'Janmabhoomi-Mana Vuru' began in adopted village by NSS UNIT 1 of St. Joseph College, 2-1-2018, Visakhapatnam

'Janmabhoomi-Mana Vuru' a prestigious programme initiated by the State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh began at Gnanapuram today. The Programme Officer of St. Joseph College for Women, Dr. K. Manikya Kumari and her student volunteers organised this community outreach programme in their adopted village Sebastian colony and Gnanapuram. About 25 students and Programme Officer explained and created awareness on many Govt, Welfare Schemes meant for Women, children, students, Pregnent women, Widows and disabled people. The told the general public about schemes such as Bangaruthalli, pension schemes for old aged, disabled, widowed women, distribution of bicycles to school going girls, arogyasree, NTR housing scheme for the poor, Pavalavaddi for DWACRA WOMEN, skill development training for educated unemployed youth, Incubation centers for Stat ups by young techies and entrepreneurs etc to better their lives.





JanmaboomiMavooru, 6-1-2018; Theme: Infrastructure facilities

On the 5th day of 'JanmabhoomiMavooru' the NSS Volunteers and students of St. Joseph's College for Women, Visakhapatnamcreated awareness on various infrastructure facilities provided by the state govt for the welfare of its people. Speaking to a huge gathering of DWACRA Women, various types of pension scheme beneficiaries, in charges & officers of various govt institutions and students, Dr. K. Manikya KumariNSS Programme Officer and Janmabhoomi Coordinator of St. Joseph's College for Women, Visakhapatnam asked them to utilise all the infrastructure facilities such as roads, public transport system, hospitals, schools, colleges, universities, primary health centers, Judicial courts of Law, Police system, emergency shelters etc. She also told the eligible general public to utilise govt free housinh schemes, protected drinking water facility, construction of toilets, free medical services, free hostel facilities to SC, ST and BC students. The programme was attended by the Zone IV Commissioner Sri Narayana, officials from Sanitation, Revenue, MEGMA, UCD and members of DWACRA, Janmabhoomi committee.



JanmaboomiMavooru, 7-1-2018, Theme: Natural Resources & Green Cover

The NSS Volunteers and students of St. Joseph's College for Women, Visakhapatnam created awareness on the importance and sustainable usage of Natural resources during the 7th day of 'JanmabhoomiMavooru' programme at their adopted village. There were a lot of interactions between the residents and the students about solar power, geothermal energy, tidal energy, wind energy, fossil fuels, mineral resources, biological resources etc. Dr. K. ManikyaKumariNSS& UNICEF Programme Officer and Janmabhoomi Coordinator of the College educated people about the multiple uses of the lengthy coastline of the 'Sun Rise State' of Andhra Pradesh. She said that the Oil and Natural Gas depositions in Krishna-Godavari river basins is a boon to the state's energy requirements as well as economy. She also reminded a number of governments initiatives with peoples participation such as 'Vanam-Manam' to improve vegetation cover in the state, 'Neeru-Meeru', 'Neeru- Chettu', 'Inkuduguntalu', 'Rain water harvesting', 'Pantaguntalu' in agricultural lands to improve water resources, providing 'Rain guns' to farmers at subsidised cost to protect their crops in times of drought and 'interlinking of Rivers' to enhance water availability to domestic and agricultural purposes. The programme was attended by the Zone IV CommissionerMEGMA, UCD and members of DWACRA.





JanmaboomiMavooru 08-01-2018; Theme: Public sector-Agriculture, Horticulture etc

Local MLA ganesh Kumar spoke about the farmer welfare schemes provided by the govt. Baby shower programme held for pregnant women. Merit students were given cash awards.





JanmaboomiMavooru 09-01-2018; Theme: Good Governance through Technology

As part of the ongoing JanmabhoomiMavooru programme, today the students of St. Joseph College were given awareness on 'Good Governance through Technology' in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Speaking to the students the NSS Programme Officer of the college Dr. K.

Manikya Kumari, said that the state Govt, is highly focussed on Fibre Grid facility, Cash less online transactions, e-Seva facilities, Paperless administration, e-Governance, setting up and integrating surveillance cameras to the state wide surveillance platform, establishing virtual class rooms, Drone services in agency areas for data transmission capabilities, Optical Fibernet Cable Facility through Network Operation Centre at Visakhapatnam aimed to provide Triple Play Services to households, govt. officeS& enterprises, TV Channels, 2 way interconnectivity, video recording through AP Fibre Grid Network just for Rs. 149/-, Aadhar enabled Public Distribution System and Aadhar enabled Pensions etc. The progressive measures taken by the Govt. is appreciated by all. Students in big numbers participated in this programme.



JanmaboomiMavooru, 04-01-2018; Theme: Education

Various govt schemes for educated youth were explained. Distribution of bicycles to girls in schools, free books and uniform to school children below poverty line, presenting Prathibha awards to merit students, skill development cources to unemployed youth, incubation centres etc.





JanmaboomiMavooru, 05-01-2018; Theme: Health and Hygeine

The residents of adopted village were informed about the health schemes provided by the state govt. They explained about the precautions to be taken to prevent infectious diseases and proper medication for life threatening diseases like cancer, kidney problems etc.





JanmaboomiMavooru, 03-01-2018-Govt welfare schemes to public below poverty line

Old age pensions, pensions for disabled, widow pensions were distributed in JBMV to the eligible people.





Mega Special Camping Programme at Andhra University 9-15' Aug. 2017, 11 senior volunteers NSS volunteers atended a 7 day Mega Special Camping programme at Andhra University from 9th -15th Aug 2017. Students involved in clean and green programmes and removed debries and weeds in the campus.







NSS Volunteers conduct ODF Survey

17TH -23RDDecember, 2017

The NSS Volunteers of NSS Unit – I, St. Joseph,s College for Women (A) Visakhapatnam have conducted ODF Survey in the month of December 2017 in Pilakavanipalem, Javahar Nagar, Sriharipuram, Prakashnagar, Jalari street, Kunchamma colony, Koramandal area and Gollaveedhi under GVMC urban limits. The reasons for not having toilet in some houses are – site in dispute, lack of money due to poverty, some houses are vacant nobody living in them and some are not available at the time of survey. 1) Name of the village(s) surveyed :Pilakavanipalem, Javahar Nagar, Sriharipuram, Prakashnagar, Jalari street, Kunchamm colony, Koramandal area and Gollaveedhi

2) No. of household surveyed: 41

3) No. of houses having individual toilets: 26

4) No. of houses not having individual toilets: 15

5) No. of community toilets: 04





NSS Volunteers participated in Mega Voluntary Blood Donation Camp at AU, 1-9-2017

Several students of NSS Units of St. Joseph's College for Women attended a Mega Blood Donation Camp organized by AU NSS Cell on 1st Sep 2017. The Vice Chancellor of the university inaugurated the camp and local MLA was the chief guest.





NSS Volunteers of St. Joseph College trained in UNICEF Peer Leader Training Programme at AU 28-30, July 2017

A team of 12 students from St. Joseph's College participated in a three day 'Peer Leader Training programme' held jointly by UNICEF and NSS Cell of Andhra University at Jubilee Seminar Hall with a theme to improve the lives of adolescents in Visakhapatnam. Selected students from various degree colleges participated. The main focus of the programme was Adolescent issues such as Child marriages, Child Labour, Child trafficking, Child abuse,

Child rights and Child protection. The A.U. NSSS Cell Programme Coordinator, Prof. NAD Paul, UNICEF Coordinator Dr. Ramesh Babu, NSS District Programme Officer Ms. Bhagya Lakshmi and other resource persons explained the students about the issues on adolescence and how to fight against the atrocities against adolescent children and skills to motivate the community to overcome these problems. All the students were detailed on various issues of adolescence



NSS Volunteers of St. Joseph College Protest against Liquor Shops

4-7-2017, Visakhapatnam

In view of the prevailing liquor shops in the vicinity of several schools, colleges and residential areas, the NSS Units of St. Joseph's College for Women (A)organised a protest cum rally near. Organized by the NSS Programme Officers Dr. K. Manikya Kumari several students actively participated and raised slogans to remove belt shops or relocate them away from public places especially schools, colleges and residential areas. Addressing the problem Dr.Manikya Kumari said that nearly 15000 students mostly girls from 3 colleges and 5 big schools, 3 churches, one destitute home and the resident women, girl students are constantly been subjected to harassment, eve teasing and nascence caused by the drunkards since several years in this locality..Severaloeganizations such as MahilaMandali, Mannual Welfare Association, Vincent D Paul organization of Gnanapuram, ErothiChinna Kumar from TDP have been in the protest. Residents of Gnanapuram particularly women participated in big numbers and pledged to continue the protest until the Govt takes a decision in this regard.



'VanamManam' a massive Plantation Programme organized by NSS Units of St. Joseph College,7-7-2017

In response to the call given by the AP State govt., to achieve 'Haritandhra Pradesh', the NSS Units of St. Joseph College for Women organized a massive plantation programme today in their premises as part of 'VanamManam'. Under the leadership of NSS Programme Officers Dr. K. Manikya. Huge number of students, faculty members and non-teaching staff took a rally holding the plants and placards. Department of Forests and Department of Social Forestry, Andhra Pradesh, Visakha [patnam provided more than 100 saplings of timber, fruit and avenue trees such ad Rose wood, Red Sander wood, Tebubia, Badam, Jamun, Indian goose berry, yegisa, yepi, maddi etc. Later, the Correspondent of the college Dr. Sister Veronica inaugurated the plantation programme by planting a sapling followed by Principal Sr. Shyji. All the departments, clubs and associations of the college actively involved in the programme.



