

9. NSS/NCC Flood Relief Campaign

Introduction

Vivekanand College, Kolhapur, took a proactive role in providing flood relief during the monsoon season of 2019. In collaboration with local authorities and organizations, NSS/NCC volunteers and other students with teachers undertook rescue operations, distributed essential supplies, and conducted cleanup efforts in affected areas. This Flood Relief Campaign aimed to provide immediate relief to communities affected by heavy rainfall and flooding in the Kolhapur and Sangli districts of Maharashtra. The campaign focused on rescue operations, distribution of essential items, and cleanup efforts in affected areas.

- The campaign was funded by Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Autonomous) and involved collaboration with Kolhapur Municipal Corporation, Indian Coast Guard, police departments, and other local NGOs.
- The NSS/NCC Flood Relief Campaign was launched in response to the severe floods that affected Kolhapur and Sangli districts from August 8th to 16th, 2019.

During the campaign, NSS/NCC volunteers participated in various relief activities, including:

- **Rescue Operations:** Volunteers worked closely with the Indian Coast Guard and police department to conduct rescue operations in flooded areas, saving lives and helping individuals in need.
- **Distribution of Essential Items:** The NSS/NCC volunteers, along with the Disaster Management Unit of Kolhapur, distributed food grains and other essential items to flood-affected families in Kolhapur. These supplies provided immediate relief to those who lost their homes and possessions in the floods.
- **Cleanliness Activities:** On August 15th, 2019, NSS/NCC volunteers and the staff of Vivekanand College engaged in cleanliness activities in the flood-affected New Palace area. They collaborated with Kolhapur Municipal Corporation workers to clear debris and help restore normalcy to the area.

During Flood Rescue Operations Photos:



Post flood Cleanliness Activity:



Results and Impact:

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Community Support: The campaign strengthened the relationship between the college and the local community, demonstrating the positive impact that collaborative efforts can have in times of crisis.

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The NSS/NCC Flood Relief Campaign exemplified the college's strong commitment to social outreach and community service. Through effective planning and collaboration, the NSS/NCC volunteers provided crucial support to the flood-affected areas, positively impacting the lives of many individuals. This case study showcases the importance of student engagement in social initiatives and highlights the college's dedication to making a meaningful difference in the community.

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