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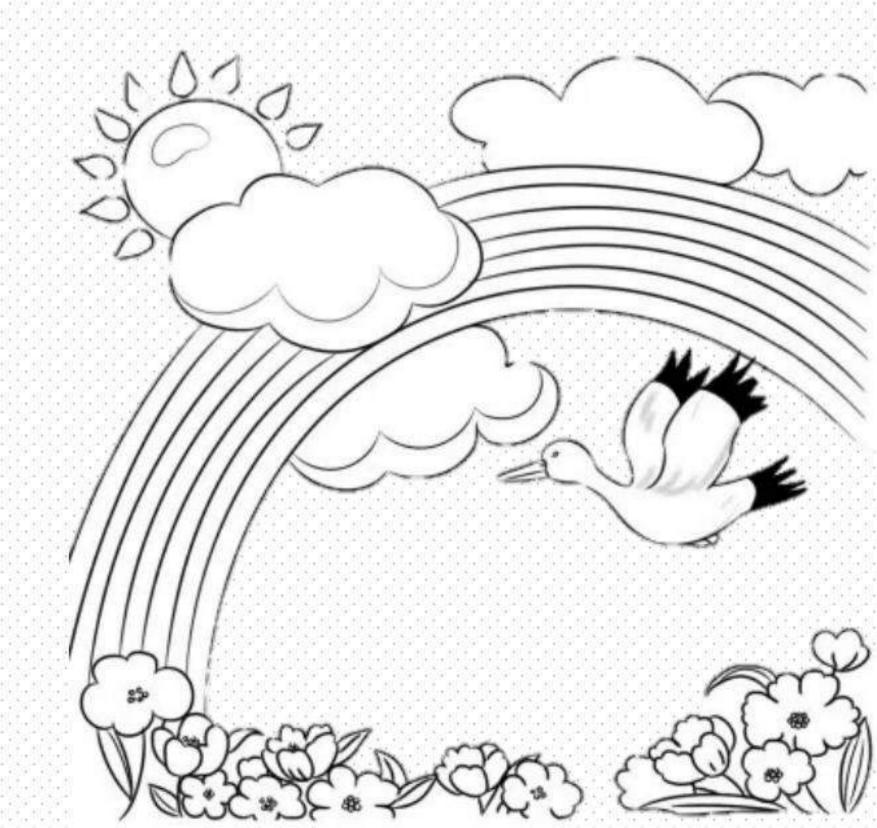


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#### FROM THE PRINCIPAL



It has always been a great pleasure to witness the hardwork and dedication with which NSS team has been working for the upliftment of Society. The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others as quoted by MK Gandhi is the spirit behind the working of our team NSS. NSS SRCC, through its various activities during the year promotes the ingrained motto of SELFLESS SEVA.

The intent and commitment showcased by the team during course of year is highly appreciable. The diligence and courage to bring required social and cultural transformation is reflected in their noble deeds, awareness spreading campaigns and wing activities. The team has always strived for accepting and promoting the change for betterment of the society.

The Current edition of PRERNA is as unique as the earlier versions. While contemplating over the sections of Magazine, I realize how beautifully students have interpreted different issues, giving a new meaning to PRERNA. Their attempt to come up with 3 newsletters and a magazine per year keeps their working spirit alive, voicing their suggestions and solutions. Every article provides a balanced view on the subjects worked upon, there by offering a fair compilation reflecting different thought processes.

NSS has created its niche in consistency and determination of purpose. Their selfless approach is not only a lesson for our students but also for entire society in stepping forward to initiate a change.

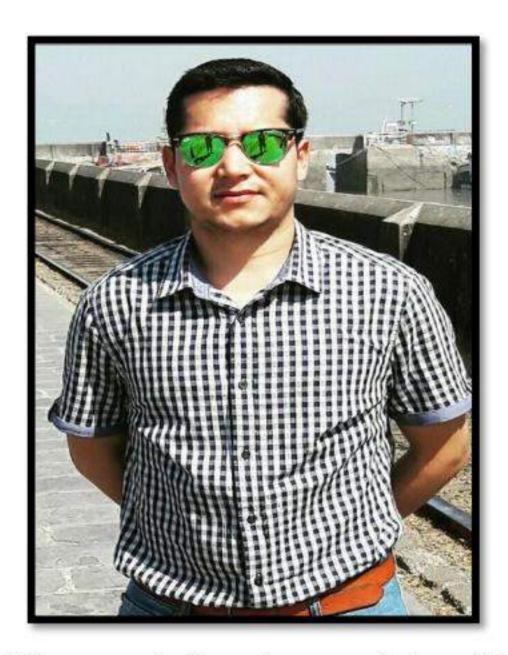
The team led under the able guidance and support of Dr. Nawang has worked diligently in inspiring our students and making them socially oriented. Their efforts are sure to bear fruits of goodness for humanity in coming days. I wish them all the best for future endeavors!

#### - Prof Simrit Kaur





#### FROM THE PROGRAMME OFFICER



I believe that education is not worthy enough if it is not able to bring an emotion for social welfare. In this today's era of competitive and professional atmosphere, the purpose of the education is now more focused on individual success rather than social welfare. The NSS is a platform where we try to develop this sense of welfare among the young minds through engaging themselves in social welfare activities. These involvements and community engagement programs help our youth to understand the various problems in the society and eventually this turns into welfare policies as these young people are the future leaders / bureaucrats / managers and researches etc.

It's my privilege to associate with the NSS unit of SRCC. Teaching and guiding the best minds of country is certainly a great feeling. I am proud enough to say that our volunteers are strictly following the NSS motto "NOT ME BUT YOU" and trying their best to bring positive changes around the society through different activities. The NSS unit of the college is most active student unit in and outside the campus; which starts from the first day of admissions and goes on till the last working day of the session. The credit for the success of the unit also goes to its unique organisational structure having various wings. The way in which various activities are organised by any particular wing is really appreciable especially every day involvement of the volunteers in project "SANSKAR" is something very commendable and I would like to mention that over the years there has been a significant development in the personality of kids from weaker section of the society just because of the thorough dedication of our volunteers. Therefore, I can confidently say that contribution of our NSS volunteers is not only limited to some specific celebrations; rather it has now become their daily affair. I am sure that they all will continue to do the same throughout their lives. Apart from being the most active student group in the college, still there are some areas where we can do much more productive things. I hope that in the times to come NSS unit of SRCC will reach more intensively among the people through some effective modes. I would also like to congratulate editorial team for bringing this new issue of "PRERNA". At last my best wishes to all the volunteers for a great career ahead.









#### **EDITOR-IN-CHIEF's NOTE**

I have always believed in Intention and expressed it as a supreme plan. I have been part of various societies in college but the intent and commitment shown by the NSS towards the society is something un expressible. The journey of 2 years as a part of NSS family is something I will cherish throughout my life. NSS SRCC with its unique programmes and community engagements taken oath to develop the society. The enthusiasm as a team shown by the NSS is something which inspires everyone to stand up and work towards the development of society.



Being a part of NSS for these two years, I will stand by the point which was remarked by our beloved Principal Mam at SAMARPAN'19 i.e., NSS is the only society which works for society. The dedication and commitment shown by the volunteers in order to achieve a motto of NSS is exemplary. The impact created by the team in community service is something which is to be appreciated. Leading Editorial team for these 10 months has been Challenging and learning experience. The team within this short time able to produce three quality newsletter on different contemporary themes (Unnati, Navras and Shaanti) and a Magazine. The team also initiated a new weekly post in name of Congenial which contains some insightful thoughts penned by editorial team. The team confidence has boosted with the appreciation it had received through weekly post.

PRERNA – The Annual Magazine of NSS SRCC reflects the hardwork and quality of work put up by the team in these months. The magazine also advertises some beautiful interpretations on different subject matters put by the Editorial Desk Of NSS SRCC. The three newsletters and Magazine reflects the blood and soul put by the Editorial team to give life to the words.

On the Ending note I would like to appreciate the hardwork put by the editorial team to bring out this beautiful compilation. And I will also like to thank our readers for their continuous support.

Thank you!!

#### - RUDRA AKSHAY KUMAR





#### **CO- EDITOR's NOTE**



We grow through from what we go through. I believe experience is the biggest and most influential teacher one can possibly have. NSS is a selfless unit which indefatigably strives to serve the society and contribute to value addition, in whatever manner it's feasible. Despite being associated with National Service Scheme, Shri Ram College of Commerce for two years, I don't have words to pen down my experience, learning and the relationship with the family.

NSS, SRCC is a great learning and volunteering platform to get your inner human out and the presence of its feeling more evident. We conduct two fests all-round the year, along with a lot of activities like Informal Talk Sessions, Blood Donation Camp, Pride March, Health Check-ups, Field Visits, Kali Production, Women Empowerment initiatives, Old Age Home visits, Flash mobs on social issues, to name a few.

I was glad to have received the cooperation and unceasing support of Danish Mahajan, Shradha Bubna, Manan Gupta and the entire team, in easing the vision with which I had taken up the responsibility. My colleagues, seniors and juniors played a constructive role in helping me launch the 'Congenial' and 3 Newsletter Publications for the session 2018-19.

With this, I proudly present to you the Annual Magazine PRERNA, which not only amplifies the meaning of inspiration but give us a perfect overview of what it means to inspire and be inspired.

Happy reading! All the best!

#### - Charu Somani







#### PRESIDENT'S NOTE

NSS, these three letters, so much define my journey in college. They have meant a lot to me and I can say that my college life wouldn't have been so interesting and fun without this being a part. Working in NSS for three years in different capacities has offered me a lot to learn, cherish, remember, laugh, and what else not. The three years gave me a different experience each and every time whether it was as a volunteer in first year or with certain positions of responsibilities in the remaining two years. As a volunteer in my first year, it taught me to consider the problems of society. As the President in my third year, I got everything which ever could have remained from my first and second year.



I hadn't ever thought that NSS, it's people, it's beneficiaries will become so important for me that my inclination would develop towards all of that, that it would become so hard for me to bid a farewell to all this. This year I worked really hard and to the fullest of my capacity that I feel results couldn't have been away from being achieved. The year saw activeness in the volunteers as more number of activities and many new activities came to the floor. Our very own projects grew in scale whether it be Project Sanskar, wherein the results of those kids show how much improved the pace of the project is. Project Vishwas has again come into running and the spices have come up as strongly as the name of them suggests, 'Sashakt'. Our very aim of the adoption of a slum has also come into the picture wherein our on ground work has already started in the form of Project Kali. All the social wings of NSS saw a growth in their activities, whether it be visits, sessions, fieldwork, and what else. The support wings have also worked very hard and supported NSS in the best manner possible. All this makes me feel really happy today and also assures me that the decision I took in my college of joining NSS and not any other organization has well paid off. This obviously wasn't possible without the efforts put in by my team that had left no stone unturned to do the best for the improvement and betterment of the society. The annual magazine Prerna, comes up with a similar domain and segment of what we do wherein we get a chance to express our feelings through words and convey them to the society. The motive remains the same, betterment of society. I would wish all my readers an enjoyable and a happy reading.

#### - DANISH MAHAJAN





#### **VICE- PRESIDENT'S NOTE**



National Service Scheme has always been close to my heart. It has not only helped me to do my bit for the society but has also helped me to grow as an individual. Getting into SRCC has always been a great achievement for many of us. But I never felt really proud about it. In fact I was never proud of anything I did until I became a part of NSS. Today if anybody asks me what have you done in your life till now, I have strings of things to tell them. Volunteering in Project Sanskar in my first year taught me the importance of education and the of children. Despite innocence having enthusiasm and will towards studying, they couldn't due to lack of resources.

Teaching those kids gave me a different sense of satisfaction. With the same motivation and the desire to do something for these kids led me to become the head of Project Sanskar in my second year. I would have to say that second year was the best time I had in NSS. I did not just connect with the students but also with my team of 50 volunteers. I saw these volunteers grow and develop a similar bond with the project as I did in my first year. Being able to witness this was the best feeling in the world. I learned a lot working with my team, my co cabinet members and my seniors. NSS started to become a family from a society. Finally the connection and the emotional attachment that I had with NSS made me apply for my third year post in NSS. Being the Vice President of a nation wide recognized program comes with a lot of responsibilities. You carry a lot of pressure on your shoulders. But thankfully with the amazing team that I had, this year also went by swiftly. Leading a team of 350 volunteers, supervising different activities from different sectors, creating a bond with my supporting cabinet, this was all that I could ask for in my third year. I have seen NSS grow in the past three years. It motivates and encourages a bunch of new lives every year. With the renewal of our old project, Project Vishwas, to starting a totally new project, Project kali, we have tried our best to come up with new ideas for the betterment of the society. I have seen my entire team giving their best they can to achieve their goals. Leaving NSS will be the toughest thing that I have to do this year. But I hope and I know that NSS will continue to do what it has done in its past years.

-Shradha

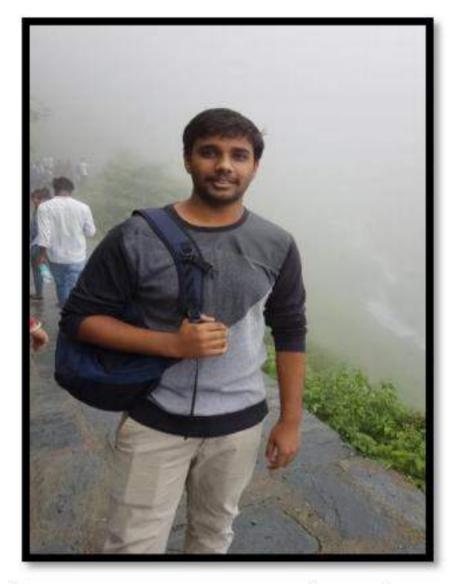






#### **SECRETARY'S NOTE**

Impeccable, unbelievable are mere words to describe this beautiful 3 years journey with NSS, a family and not merely a college society. I never knew that these 3 years will become the best 3 years of my life as NSS gave me everything, every experience, that I could have ever asked for. I learned a lot in the process but most importantly to enjoy your work and giving your best irrespective of what the result might be. At times I failed miserably in some tasks or sometimes had no idea from where to start but there was a support system behind me who always encouraged me in completing the tasks with perfection.



In first year of NSS, each and every senior of mine was my support system whether the president Shivangi didi or my wing head Anubhuti didi. In my 2nd year, I never imagined that I would be the marketing head. To be honest, I didn't give my best as a marketing head which can be seen as the results weren't good enough but the best part was to make happy memories with every person in the cabinet and the bond built with them throughout the year. My friends often said to me that I had nothing except NSS in college. Yes! I chose NSS before anything and everything because of the positive vibes and satisfaction that I received by doing social work and by working with each member in this family. Being the Secretary of NSS was the biggest opportunity to prove myself as a good leader and to give my best in achieving greater heights for NSS. But in the process I realized that I may not be a good leader but I can be a great friend and maybe this is the sole reason that every member of NSS family can share their feelings about anything with me. I loved to be a member of NSS in my whole college life. I am grateful to each and every person of my NSS family who trusted me with everything and I hope I made them proud. Cheers to a wonderful journey from a women empowerment wing volunteer to the NSS secretary, wonder how time flies!

#### - Manan









## DWELLING ON DREAMS -Naga Lavanya Desiraju

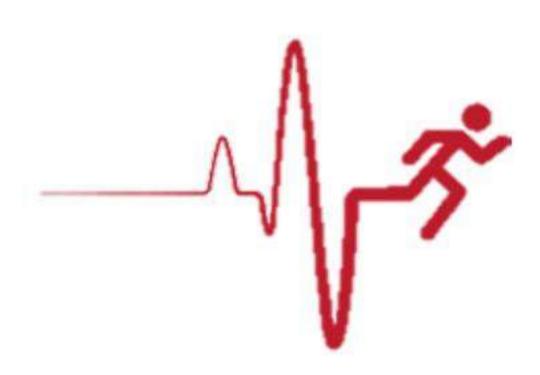
Born to Kindle the lamp of joy Life yet to lead to a journey unseen With the smile as the charm Dance as the sequence of thoughts that run Learning to bluff as I grow Putting a selfish hole in my soul No longer pure ,the life makes me yearn for everything I had few years ago Sitting in an open area, completely free My mind boggles over everything Random thoughts occupy my mind Happiness has no space Pre-occupied by things I shouldn't bother I worry about matters not required In the stream, the pebbles do obstruct the flow But the force of water carries them away

Life goes on every day and every moment

Streams rushing down from eyes, nose or none

Purest smile of the child

And the serene sunlight beams









## KEEP LOOKING -Aarushi Agarwal

Look anywhere and everywhere.
Look at the dog lying so carefree,
At the lady dancing in her balcony,
At the girl, dreaming of a pony
At the chef, tossing his pans
And the masterpieces by those artistic hands
Listen patiently and listen carefully.
To the rustle of the leaves,
To the gentle melodies,
And even to the rattling noise of the fan
Because you never know what might just leave you with a plan.

## EK NAZARIYA YEH BHI - Alish Dhaked

Tut tehain jo patte patjad me Khusiyan si bikhar jati hain Jo hui dhoop tej garmi me Koi alag rah mil jati hai

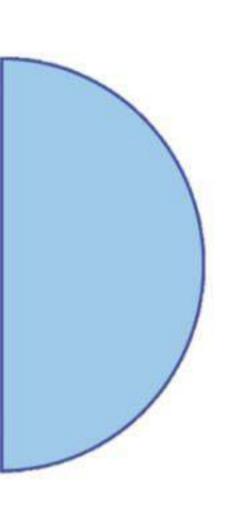
Par kya hum reh pate hain
Jo hua koi naraz agar
Kya hua kisi ne bura kaha
Yeh samajh samajh ki hai badha

Hai jati sikha kar yeh kudrat hume Ki dukh hi kar pata bahtar hume Gaya jo koi, shukriya kar aane k liye Fir badhta chal safar me manzil k liye









Inspirational quotes and Ted talks
Are not solely with whom Inspiration walks.
It resides in the smallest of things,
And all people, not only queens and Kings.

It is a matter of the heart
As Inspiration is a mental art.
I may hear a hundred inspirational speeches
But nothing alters till, to my heart, it reaches.

The first 'F' is the Fire within you

Courage and strength due to which millions grew.

Nothing can pull you down if that one thing is what you crave

Because, "Charms do not perform miracles on the shelf; they perform for those who are brave."

The second 'F' is Fun in what you choose to do
Unless you love it, there will be nothing to look forward to.
People may tell you to be serious and boring
But remember to be sincere and keep exploring.

The third 'F' is Failure without which none is inspired Once you fail, there is nothing to lose and nothing undesired. When you hit the lowest, you return with the biggest blow, May you go the farthest and your inspired heart glow.







#### मेरे तुम।। - Kajal Kumari

दो महीने पहले, आए थे तुम, बाहें फैलाए थे तुम, सीने से लगाए थे तुम, सारा दर्द मिटाए थे तुम, सारी खुशियाँ लाए थे तुम।

चेहक सी गयी थी मैं ,देख के तुम्हें, इबते को तिनके का सहारा मिला हो जैसे। पर डूबना था मुझे, उन नशीली आँखो में, जो मुझे ले जाना चाहती थी, दूर, किसी दूसरे देश, जहाँ होते, सिर्फ मैं, और मेरे तुम।

अब समझ आता है मुझे क्यूं उस दिन आँखे तुमसे हट नहीं रही थी, था वो आखरी लम्हा, जब मैं तुम्हें देख रही थी। काश उस वक्त पता होता, बिछड़ जाओगे तुम, रोक देती उस पल को, ज़िन्दगी भर के लिए।

> खफा हूँ खुदसे, क्यूं उस दिन रूठ गयी तुमसे। ना रूठती तो कुछ दिन और जीती, ज़िन्दगी जो थी, सिर्फ तुमसे।

अब चले गए हो तुम बिना पीछे मुड़े, एक बार, बस एक बार मुङ के देखो, वही खड़ी हूँ , जहाँ थे दो अलग रोस्ते जुड़े।।





## THE SPIRAL STAIRCASE- A STEP FORWARD - Sparsh Gupta

The stairs emanating from a spot
Reminisces me how we all came from a sole originator
The master of creation, the one who makes the sun shine and
the flora blossom.

I stand here on the terrain striving to know how it would feel like

Upon reaching the pinnacle.

As I start climbing the stairwell,

I sense something attained from this ravishing world, a spark of an eternal interest in thoughts.

Something gloomy is left behind, all the malignant elements that

cause pain and loathing have been wiped.

The sunlight that reaches me after being penetrated and filtered by these steps

Tell me what I have, what is beyond and is yet to be achieved.

Looking up, I find no end to this

For what is out there to achieve can never be fathomed

Now I realize even sun's light is not stronger than light of

learning

Retracing my steps from this fascinating world with glimmering eyes

Now I stand with indomitable passion undeterrable to grow and grow.





#### **BANDHUA MUKTI MORCHA**

#### - Lakshya Kumar

We hear numerous success stories every day, never know whose words or which incident in your life may inspire you and leave an indelible mark upon you, one such story is of Iqbal Masih.

Iqbal Masih was born to a poor Christian family in 1983 at a village Muridke in Pakistan occupied Punjab. His father worked as a labourer and could hardly make both ends meet. Once his mother got ill so his father had to borrow a sum of 600 rupees from a lender and he was given as a collateral. Thus, he would be tied in chains and would work in the dingy rooms of a weaving factory till the loan could be repaid.

He worked 15 per day and 7 days a week, his life was no better than hell but still could not pay off the debt. Somehow, he could escape the factory and make it to police station but to his horror police punished him and sent him back to the weavers' factory, now he found himself in a trap, he could not go anywhere. But he was determined to achieve freedom and thus escaped again and went into safe hands of Bonded Labour Liberation Fund school where he completed four-year education in just two years

He wanted to impact the lives of other bonded labourers like him working in the weavers' factory thus he launched Bandhua Mukti Morcha and helped more than 3000 bonded labourers to get out of slavery soon he became the leader of the movement. He was recognised world wide for his contributions and was invited to present his struggle and lives of bonded labourers in United States of America and Sweden. He also received Reebok Human Rights award at Boston in 1994. At a tender age of 12 in 1995, he was shot dead by a druggist in his village while cycling for he posed threat to the whole system of slavery in the industry. A brave and eloquent boy who aspired to become lawyer and fight for the human rights was cremated and more than 800 mourners from all over the world attended his funeral.

He became a role model to the world, his struggle inspired many and changed lives of hundreds. His life is an inspiration to change things and eradicate the bad to establish good.







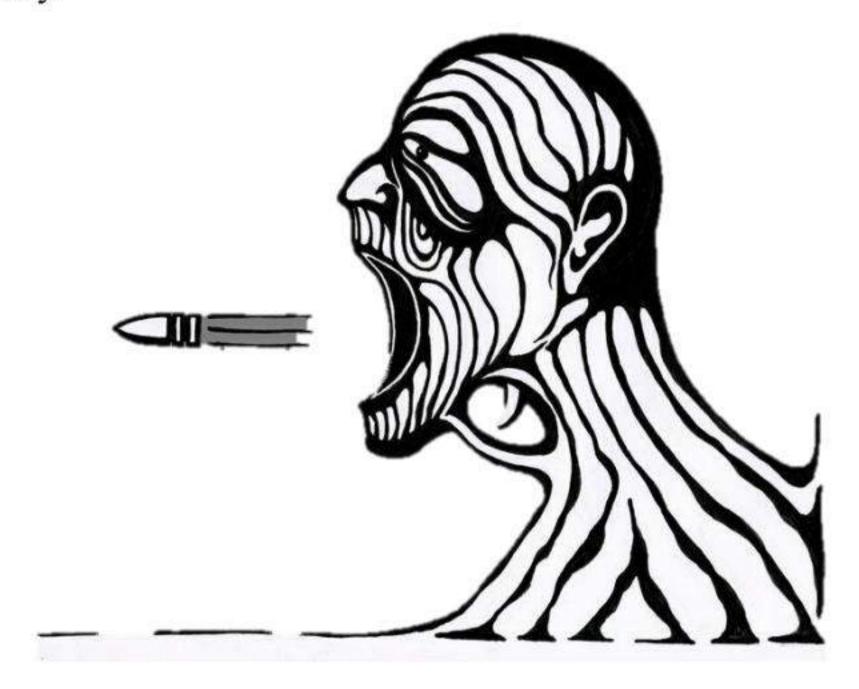
## THE POWER OF WORDS - Rajsi Sah

Whether they are formed by vibrations in the air, or by the scribbles we write on the paper, the words we communicate can have an immense effect on the people who listen to them. Words are a very powerful medium to communicate your thoughts and ideas. They aren't just a combination of letters written on a sheet of paper, they have the power to inspire, motivate and evoke different emotions at the same time!

#### A Word has the power to change your lives.

Words have a dramatic effect on what we know, how we interact with people and the decisions we ultimately make. Words change our relationships, our demeanour, our entire system of beliefs, and even our businesses. The power of words, then, lies in their associations the things they bring up before our minds. Words become filled with meaning for us by experience; and the longer we live, the more certain words recall to us the glad and sad events of our past; and the more we read and learn, the more the number of words that mean something to us increases.

Words are alive. As time passes they are born, grow to full maturity, and die. And they change morally.





## BATHUKAMMA - Naga Lavanya Desiraju

Bathukamma is literally a celebration of life. It is a unique tribute to nature, which starts with colorful flowers and culminates in a waterbody. It begins on the first day of Dushera called the Paadyami and ends with a huge celebration on Durgasthami, the eighth day. It is a festival of joy and an embodiment of the rich culture in Telangana. This festival of flowers embarks the invitation of goddess Gowri (a form of positive energy) into the houses of the worshippers. The Hindu women in Telangana take immense effort and devotion to pick the right flowers which flaunt aroma, looks as well as strike a symmetry to keep the bathukamma string and stable throughout. The women place bathukamma at the centre and make a circular formation in order to sing and merrily dance around the bathukamma. The songs exemplify the stories behind dushera, ranging from Ma Durga killing Narakasura to Rama killing Ravana. These folklores have a peculiar language and a tone which is not only engrossing but also deeply reflects upon the dialect of Telugu different from place to place and region to region. The prasadam is offered to the goddess, usually made of flat rice and jaggery, followed by coconut and sweets. It is indeed a pleasure to eyes, ears and soul to watch the festival of flowers, bathukamma.









# MILLENNIALS VS GEN X - Nipun Singhal

Mankind is diverse. Diverse, it is in terms of gender, region, language, religion etc. This heterogeneity leads to difference in opinions, psychologies, behavior and values. Another basis of diversity prevalent in the social structure is age. Human population is divided into many horizons on this basis. But we can majorly divide humans into four classes based on this factor viz. Baby boomers, Generation X, Generation Y also known as millennial and Generation Z. Here we will only focus on the disparity between Millennials and Gen X.

Those born between mid 60s and initial 80s are Gen X. Millennials are the people born from 1980 to the start of the new millennium (this is how they got the name). Both these groups are known to opine contradicting views. Millennials are more expressive, bold and risky in their lifestyle whereas Gen X are conservative and less risky in their approach. There has always been a conflict how both these generations perceive life and its ancillaries. In general, millennials have short term vision and goals while Gen X uses a long term vision to plan themselves.

The generalities in the generations show that when there is a talk of discipline and ethics, generation Y finds themselves in hot water. On the other hand, generation X is usually the preacher of moral science. Their inclination towards truth leads to skepticism which at times creates a friction between the two levels.

When it comes to education as well, there is a contrasting scenario. There was a different level of eagerness in Genxers to learn the real meaning unlike next generation who focuses majorly on materialistic aspect of education. Former considered education as necessary means to succeed whereas the latter believed in breaking these types of stereotypes. Increased dropout ratio (though number of literates increase attributing to more institutions and higher population), freelance workers and developing Gig economy are some notable examples for the same.



A major difference between the two lies in the upsurge of technology. While generation Y loves technology and tries to find the solution of every hassle of the day through it only, generation X took more conventional approach in solving problems and confined themselves to certain aspects in using technology.

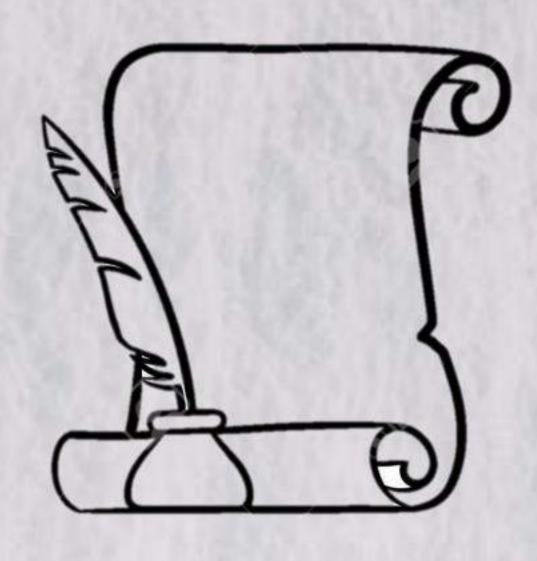
The financials is the main factor where the gens differ in ideologies. Millennials accumulate slightly less than older generations had at the same age. The financial well-being of Millennials is complicated as compared to Gen X. Compared with earlier generations, more Millennials have outstanding student debt, and the amount of it they owe tends to be greater.

The discussion (and debate) of millennials versus gen X is never ending. It is all about adapting according to the time. Those who divide keep generations suspicious of another. Don't know how it was started. It's all a sham. For the benefit of all, all differences must be put apart and integration should take place. After all, a human is a human.











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#### THE ROPE

#### - Rajsi Sah

A man was walking through an elephant camp and noticed that the elephants weren't kept in cages nor were they tied to big metal chains. Instead there were only tied by a small piece of rope wound around one of its legs.

The man asked the trainer "Why aren't they breaking free! They can easily break away that rope."

The trainer replied, "When these elephants are small and are tied around by the ropes, they try a lot to break away from these and run away. When they grow up, they are processed to believe that no matter how much they try, they won't be able to break these ropes. Hence they stop trying. The only thing holding them back is their loss in belief.

No matter how much the world tries to hold you back, never lose belief in yourself. It's your belief in yourself that makes you successful.

#### WILL SHE?

#### - Alish Dhaked

When she firstly stepped out of her home as per her own wish and selfmotivation, just from

secondary education itself, there were questions to her and to her parents.

Will she be able to perform well?

Will she be able to set a decent benchmark for others?

What if the distractions will overpower her and make her fail in life?

But not moving forward, just accepting the present,

"Isn't she an inspiration now even if she has just taken the initiative to begin her life the way it

wants it to be?" was the answer to all the questions.







# LOYALTY. - Lakshya Kumar

Once I met an old friend in our locality, he told me that they had shifted in the nearby apartments a week ago. I questioned about his pet which was ugly and seemed as if it had been operated, for a large area of his body was without hair. My friend told me that his Golden Retriever had saved him from an attack by a deadly cougar and in the process injured himself. It had a close brush with death and had to be operated but the dog was courageous enough to survive the deep wounds. He also told that had it not intervened in the attack my friend would have been dead today. This incident depicts the loyalty and altruism of dogs for their masters and even if we are the most developed still we have much more to learn from them.

## LOVE - Riya Mathur

There's love in struggle, there's love in peace. There's love in togetherness, there's love in solitude. More than the times when I say the words 'I love you', I feel grateful for those when I just don't. The times I feel so happy that I cry. When I see something which touches me so deeply, so blissfully, that even if for a minute, it changes me. There's just something about the little things, the unmentioned, the momentary. A sudden epiphany during your morning walk when the light Tindall's through the luscious cover so beautifully, taking a picture just won't do justice to it. A silly joke on the family table and everyone bursts into laughter, seems like the perfect end to a long monotonous day. That comfortable hug from your mother which melts you. When a butterfly sits on your hand. When the first raindrops touch your face. When you dance as if nobody's watching. Every moment that makes us feel alive, feel worthy, feel satisfied.

Love is everywhere. Everything that makes life even a little better, even if for a second- that's love for me.



## UNHAPPINESS IS HAPPINESS - Charan

I don't know where it is taking me...

But the truth is I am unhappy...

I am unhappy not because of occurrence and non occurrence of things which I want to happen, It is because of the things that won't happen at the time I wish them to happen..

I learned a lot of lessons but what's the use when it really doesn't help me to get out of the things that are really making me unhappy..

I don't know where to go.

I don't know whom to tell.

I don't who I am and what I am.

Everyone says, happiness is what you create out of the things that you have. I listened, I tried and in such a process I lost the things which make me unhappy which is a good deal. But the real satisfaction or happiness will be in achievement of things you want. It might be an achievement of career or an achievement of people which ultimately leads to achievement of life. I don't have both. Sometimes I feel like I do not need both. I just want the life that makes me happy.

If I assume career and people are the reasons behind my true happiness, I should also assume that these two are also the main reasons behind my double unhappiness..

Why isn't life is fair for everyone?

Is it because of our choices or is it because of the emotions behind making those choices?

Whatever the reason it is..

I am unhappy since the time I was happy...







#### THE HOUSEKEEPER'S WORDS

#### - Nirikta Mukherjee

In June 1972, Meera graduated with flying colours in Economics from the renowned Calcutta University. She was a bright student despite being the daughter of a big industrialist of then Calcutta. Her life was a bouquet of luxuries and had women around her whose sole purpose was to dress up like dolls, rub fruit pulp and milk over their skin, learn to cook a bit and finally get married into a rich family.

Despite this, Meera was determined to deviate from "the path" and do something bigger in life.

Her professor, Ms Ray was her inspiration towards her ambition. Thus, following in the footsteps of her professor and her guidelines, Meera had decided to apply to the great Stanford University. "Stanford is too big a name for me, Ms Ray!", said Meera.

"Oh! You just wait and watch darling. You're meant for greater things than you can imagine."

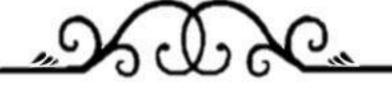
In those days there were neither computers nor the internet nor e-mails. Meera had spent a lot of time and effort over her application and sent it through post. She hoped for the best but somewhere in heart she knew that it would not be so easy.

Weeks later, when Meera and Malati, the housekeeper were relishing mangoes on the terrace, someone from within the house called out and said, "Meera didi, there is a letter for you."

Meera didn't move. She felt like it was the beginning of the end to her dream.

Malati quickly wiped her hands on her kurta and ran downstairs to get the letter. She had studied till standard eight after which her parents sent her to do household work. Since then, this was her house. She ripped off the envelope and read it in her mind and screamed with joy," Meera di, they have accepted your application. You are going to America!"

Meera's parents denied as they were scared to let go of their only daughter and Meera herself was frightened to go to a foreign land all alone.



What happened next would always be etched in history. Malati started with a bold voice, "Sorry to interrupt, but Memsaheb, what if Meera was to get married to a man who is settled in the United States? Will you not allow Meera di then also? And Meera di, what has gotten into you? Women never get an opportunity to fulfil their ambitions. But you are. If I'd been you, I would have started packing!"

Rest does not need to be said. Meera, inspired by her housekeeper's words and courage flew off to the U.S. and became a successful alumnus of the great university.

## One. Two. Three. THUD! - Manasvi Jaiswal

The Talib enjoyed as he saw an innocuous woman shake from the trepidation of death. There I was, kneeling down, the blood making an indistinct graffiti on my flesh. He held me at the gunpoint, and I waited for an immutable tryst with Allah. Being a woman under the Taliban was equivalent to alienate with basic rights. We were raped each day; either physically or emotionally. Education was fiction, so was humanity. I was exasperated. I wanted to live like a human, more than anything. So, I burgeoned to disturb their code. I fought for mankind. And, I was awarded death. I don't regret my decision to rebel; hopefully life will be better after death. The Talib ended his merciless processions and tightened his grip on the trigger. I was ready to cease my life as a thrall of the relentless. I was ready to initiate being human. One. Two. Three. THUD! Fear. Satisfaction. Death. Peace.







## INDIA'S DAUGHTER- A REVIEW - Megha Unni Nair

India's Daughter is a much discussed documentary about the infamous Nirbhaya Delhi Gang Rape that shook the conscience of people all across the country. Directed by Leslee Udwin and part of the BBC's ongoing Storyville series, it presented the events leading to the infamous event as well as was highly controversial as it was seen as an attempt to leverage unfortunate for such an event commercial benefits.



This documentary featured interviews of the victim's parents as well as her friends. It also had interviews of one of the culprits as well as the criminal lawyer who fought the case for the accused. Different human rights activists as well as lawyers commented on why rape is such a big problem in our country and why there is still a big question mark in the effectiveness of India's legal system. This documentary won the Best Documentary Award at the Sam Diego Film Festival in 2015.

Overall, I honestly liked the documentary. The portrayal of such an infamous event was diligently done and it makes the viewers question the different issues that plague our society. Moreover one could learn how the victim was like any girl that we see every day full of dreams and hopes, thus, emphasising the need to condemn such events and to speak up against these issues for the greater good of our country.



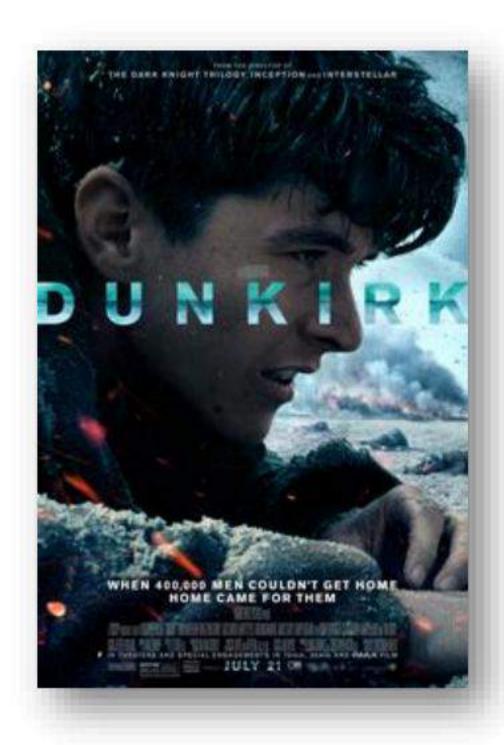




#### **DUNKIRK MOVIE REVIEW**

#### - Naga Lavanya Desiraju

Christopher Nolan's first history motion picture is intense, instinctive, and groundbreaking, with many moving groupings however a portion of his filmmaking decisions can be testing. Likewise with a portion of Nolan's different films (particularly his incredible Memento), Dunkirk explores different avenues regarding time. The story's three areas are told at various rates; the shoreline successions happen more than multi week, the pontoon arrangement takes one day, and the plane groupings take 60 minutes. However, not at all like in Memento, here, this strategy needs lucidity, essentially in light of the fact that Nolan doesn't outwardly recognize considerable lot of the air ships or ships, nor does he make it simple to differentiate a large number of the youthful officers.



Dunkirk needs us to pursue two of the officers specifically, however that turns out to be progressively troublesome, particularly as they get shrouded in earth and grime. Numerous characters additionally have thick English pronunciations (to a U.S. ear, at any rate), and the sound blending and Hans Zimmer's overwhelming score frequently muffle the exchange. This can make the film dubious to pursue, particularly on the off chance that you don't have the choice of captions. Here and there it appears that Nolan is purposely attempting to strip his account of customary character curves and discourse, maybe to discover its pith. This doesn't generally work, yet Dunkirk is such a prompt abhorrence of - war understanding, tossing the watcher so distinctively into the image, that it's hard to expel.



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#### **VOLUNTEER REVIEW**

As we lose ourselves in the service of others, we discover our own lives and our own happiness. - Dieter F. Uchtdorf

The volunteers of NSS, SRCC have been engaged in various social activities such as, conducting classes for the underprivileged children, organising visits to mental asylums, hospitals, schools, and organising bloods donation camps, defence workshops, etc. In this year long journey, they have realised that no effort is insignificant and no change is small. Interacting with the kids, the elderly and the women who struggle for the basic needs of life, makes us realise how privileged we are and if the society has given so much to us, it is high time we give back to the society. In fact, visiting schools and hospitals not only brings happiness to the people and children there but it is an extremely pleasurable experience for the volunteers as well. Volunteers feel that NSS has given them a platform and an opportunity to learn and showcase skills that can't be developed in the four boundaries of a classroom.

I being a member of the Women Empowerment wing of NSS have had an unmatched experience. We at NSS, aim at bringing happiness in the lives of people and being a part of it has made me realise that we need to give back to the society in the small ways that we can. The sessions have been insightful and have been diverse ranging from women empowerment to social entrepreneurship inviting people from different backgrounds and experiences. The one thing that I will be surely taking from this experience is to strive to bring a change in other's lives.

-Tanya Goel







Working in National Service Scheme (NSS) has been a distinct and extraordinary work to perform. Organising the social Fests of NSS as NOTTO and SAMPARPAN along with outdoor social activities such as visiting orphanages, participation in Rang Badlav Ke or Akshay Patra have been a team building, motivating and an overwhelming work to fulfill. NSS through its different line-ups of projects like Project Sanskar, Project Vishwas and Project Kali has emerged as the self-less interlinking association of amongst different classes by the initiatives of students. The blood donation drives or eye check-up camps have also added to its working. Creative Wing of NSS, unlike Creative Wings of other societies have contributed and made us learn a lot. I hope we continue with the essence of democratic living and upholding the need for self-less service for years to come.

Ipsita Dhir

My journey being in NSS is indescribable in words. Be it visits, classes or competition, everything was one of a kind experience. Volunteering for events of NSS gave me a platform to contribute something to the society which has provided me a lot in the first place. Teaching primary school students, conducting waste collection drives etc. were self satisfactory in their own way. The thought inciting congenials were phenomenal carrying gargantuan interpretations but at the same time were crisp and short. The competitions organized by the Society fulfill their agenda and gave positive results as respect to spreading awareness. I felt that I'm a part of something big, something worthwhile and something catalyst. At the same I developed a amiable relationship with my associates and learned new knowledge previously unknown to me. To sum up in one sentence -

" I WALK NOW WITH A HEAD HELD HIGH AND A MIND FULL OF MEMORIES WORTH CHERISHING FOR ETERNITY. "

- Nipun Singhal



National Service Scheme of SRCC has been working consistently to achieve the moto of overall social development. As part of NSS, SRCC I have been always been proud of the work that it does for social welfare. As I volunteered for Project Sanskar, a wing that aims to teach underprivileged children, I have felt a sense of purpose teaching little children. Editorial wing gave me an opportunity to put down in words what I felt about different social issues and gave my writings a platform to express itself. Not just me, all the students who had the privilege of being associated with NSS felt the same and were glad to be a part of a team of enthusiastic social contributors.

'I felt nice to be a part of NSS as one always feels good when something is done for the deprived sections. In Project Sanskar, It was a very grateful experience of teaching kids 2 or 3 years younger than you, who wants to study and learn something', says Kareena Chabhra who was a part of Project Sanskar.

'I think NSS is like that bright mirror which reflects to manifest the social welfare ideals promoted by the state', writes Kanishka Shivaram, another volunteer of Save Youth.

All the volunteers felt proud of how NSS pulled up different events and campaigns like associating itself to NATTO, organizing blood donation drives and so on.

In the end, the journey of NSS, SRCC this year was incredible and hope that its success takes itself to further heights in the coming years.

- Megha Unni Nair









#### SUCCINCT

She didn't remember how they found each other, But she still loved him like a mother.

- Aarushi Agarwal



"The toughest part about writing is to find a publisher that suits you", joked the famous novelist.

As everyone laughed, the amateur writer thought, "The inspiration to write is undebatably the toughest."

Nirikta Mukherjee

Aunt- Why don't you ask your daughter to cook food and help you, can't she do her work?

Mother- She does it, by serving to herself!!

- Alish



He was born with impairments; his life was different from others.

But his constant efforts paved way to success; Determination overcame destiny and that had made all the difference.

Lakshya Kumar









"Had I got that one leg, I too would've succeeded", an amputee thought to himself seeing the man teaching the students.

Little did he know about the prosthetic leg the teacher had.

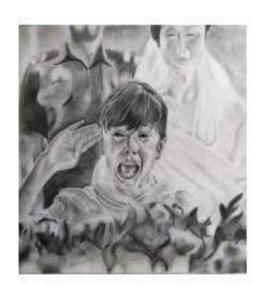
- Nipun Singhal



"Can you tell the biggest irony prevalent?", asked someone.

"The same red colour sketches war as well as love.", replied the wife of a martyr.

- Nipun Singhal



Whenever the doctor was being trolled by someone for his handwriting, he smiled.

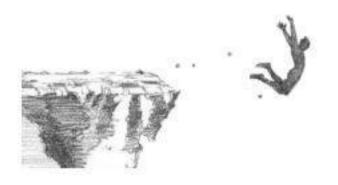
As only he and the portraits at the back of his old notebook knew the real skill of his hands.

- Nipun Singhal



I can't jump across this it's too wide! You can, My son! Remember it's all a leap of faith.....

- Rajsi Sah



As her father took her name for the first time, she couldn't control her emotions.

The transition from he to she was easy, getting acceptance was difficult.

- Megha Unni Nair





"How do you make ends meet in this situation Don't you ever feel like quitting?", the reporter asked the poor man.

A smile on my family's face is the best inspiration I would ever need to keep myself going!

- Manasvi Jaiswal



Expectations were shelved up more than the books
Kota did unveil the truth
The ceiling fan looked the escape
But his mother's call just saved the day!
- Manasvi Jaiswal



एक बूंद की ताकत - अगर बादलों से टपके, तो किसानों के चेहरे खिलखिला जाए और अगर किसी की आँखों से टपके तो किसी अज़ीज़ के दिल को मुरझा जाए



- Khwaish Verma

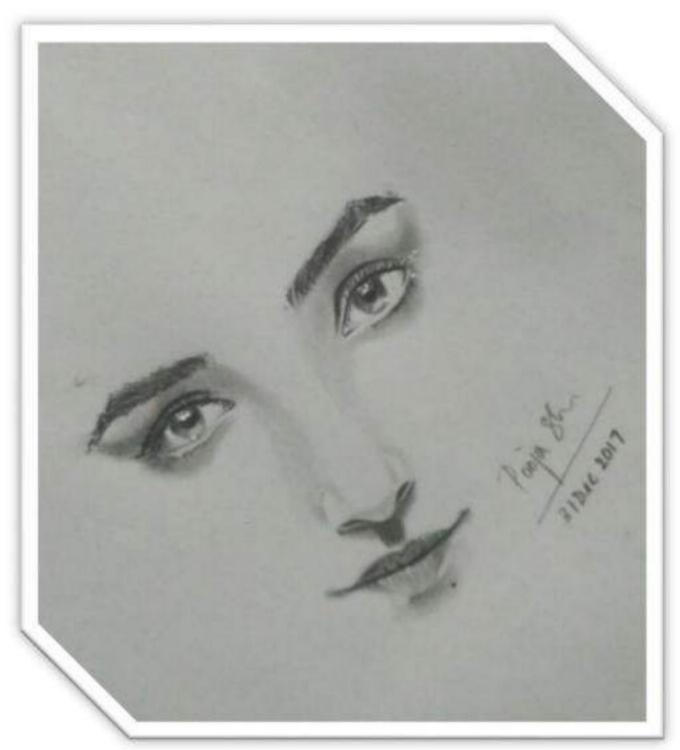






#### **PREPOSSESSING**









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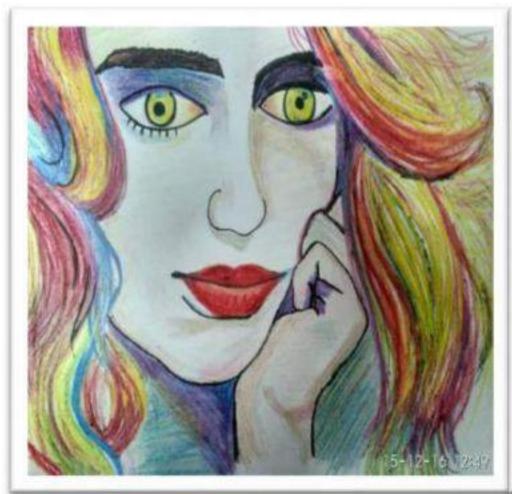


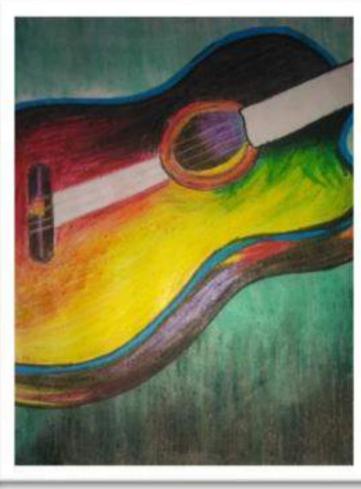






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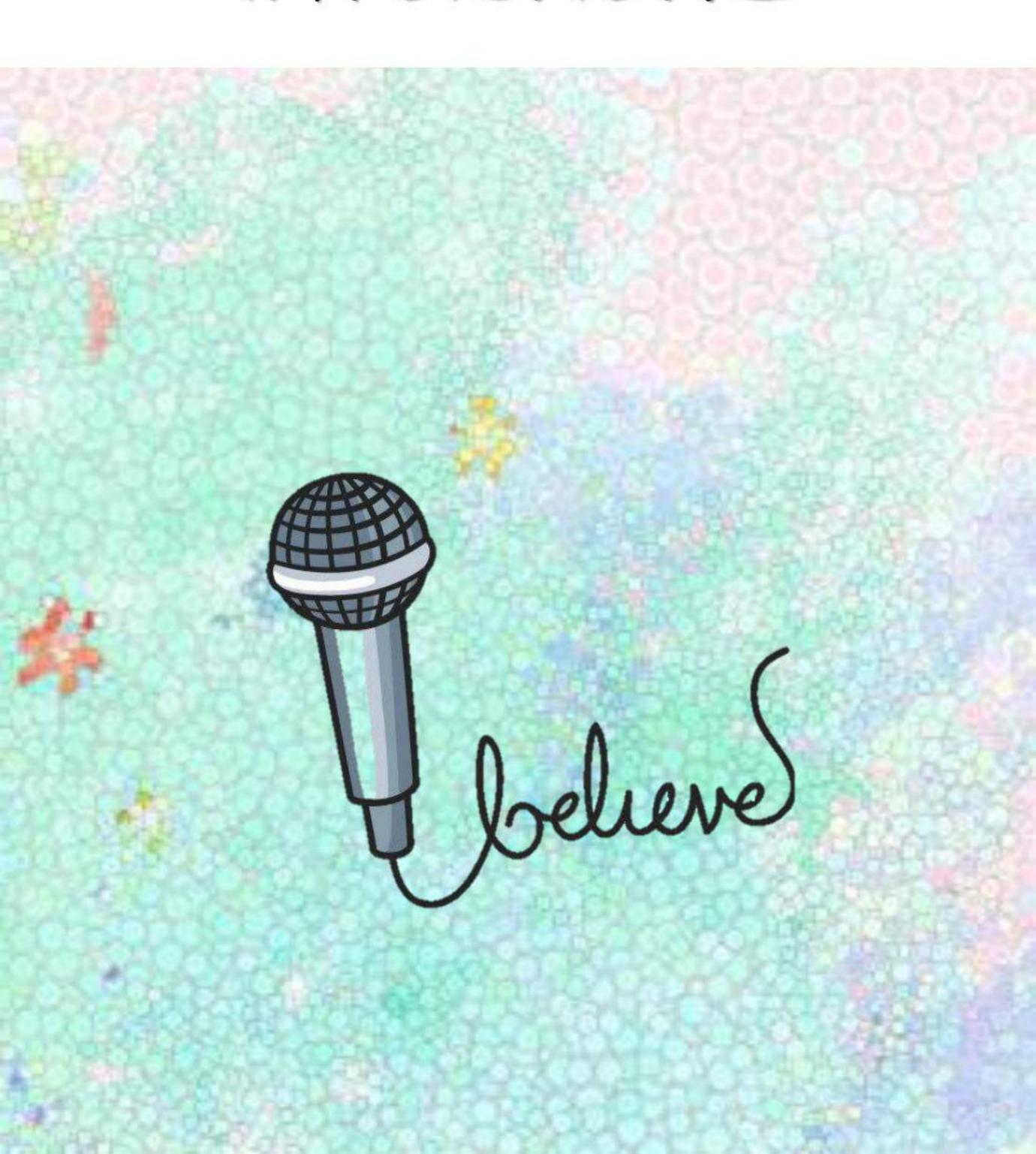




BY DIVYA TANEJA



### INTERVIEWS







#### **GAUTAM YADAV**

Gautam Yadav identifies himself as a Gay and is "Living Positively with HIV", in India and is an inspiration to "Positives-young and old". His contributions range from the role of an 'HIV & Human Rights Activist', championing the cause of protecting Human Rights of the LGBTQ and PLHIV community across the globe to representing the community voice and key concerns at various international forums.

Muskan: Good afternoon sir! We're honoured to have you her with us at NSS, SRCC's Samarpan 2019. Last year has been a landmark year in terms of the rulings given by the Supreme Court of India, be it the Triple Talaq or striking down of section 377. These will be movements towards a better and more inclusive future for a country like India. Sir, what do you feel that the LQBTQ community members feel in a relatively conservative country like ours?

Mr. Yadav: I feel making policies and changing the law is not enough. These are important aspects but change needs to be brought about at the grassroot level. Seldom do we see a transgender child going to school. There is UGC's initiative to help trans people in higher education, but it feels futile as such children do not have access to primary education. Secondly, coming from the LGBT community, I have never come across formal education about sex, sexuality and gender. Even with respect to HIV AIDS, only basic information is provided. So when a trans child goes to school, he is overwhelmed with multiple questions about himself and why he is different from the others. Such children often find it difficult to talk to anyone and get these doubts cleared. I have come across many cases where such children, even at college levels, have been subject to bullying and harassment. Counsellors are very few and sometimes even they are not able to give proper advice to the members. Also, the laws in the country are not gender neutral. Male and trans rape is a thing which exists but is seldom brought forward. Rape laws are focused on females. There are a very few provisions in the constitution that give a little flexibility to such laws. There are many such weak pillars in our society. Once an issue gets politicized, thinking about its solution seems a far-fetched dream then.



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Politicians only think about their vote banks and appealing to communities which will help them garner votes. Even if they know what they're doing is incorrect, they continue to indulge in those acts to achieve political power. I believe that the country coming together can bring about a lot of positive change in society. Taking the example of the Nirbhaya case in Delhi, it was one such unfortunate incident which brought the country together. Men, women, trans people and the LGBT community came out in support of new laws for the country and they were implemented within a span of 6 months. Muskan: So basically creating a more inclusive support system for students at the grassroot level so they are able to identify themselves?

Mr. Yadav: Yes, indeed.

Muskan: Sir what are some words of advice you'd like to give to the youth of this country with respect to inclusion of all sections of society, so that they a feel a sense of belongingness to the community they dwell in?

Mr. Yadav: My message to the youth of this country would only be that they need to open their eyes, ears and be proactive in working towards bringing a change in society. Simply believing and following what is the norm is not acceptable anymore. The world is only growing smaller and being able to accept others as they are is a quality everyone should imbibe.

Muskan: Sir how can we spread awareness about HIV, not only in terms of acceptance by society but also preventive measures?

Mr. Yadav: All issues boil down to open discussion. Taking the example of section 377 again, I remember times where people would change the channel on TV if there was a discussion on the same. Now because of awareness and discourse, this has become a topic of dinner table conversations. People may not know what it is about, for whom it is relevant, but they do know it exists. Similarly, prevention programmes, treatment programmes exist but to make them part of common knowledge, we must create discussion around them. Educational institutions like yours can play an important role in creating this. You can hold talks about various taboo topics in college every month just to make people aware about them and remove the stigma around them.

Muskan: Sir do you think that the mindset of the people in the country is changing for good and it will lead our country to a better future?







Mr. Yadav: Certainly! Things are changing for sure. However, only change is not enough. It must be supplemented by development as well. Even if mindsets change, and this is not accompanied by policy change in the country, all efforts seem pointless. We must accept that like food, water etc. sex is also a bodily need which cannot be avoided. Breaking away from the stigma around it is very important. If we legalise prostitution in India, many changes would lead us near the solution. We are working towards it as well. Development in a country not only includes economic and infrastructural but social development as well.

Muskan: Pride parades are very colourful and cheerful as we have seen in the media. Could you please share an experience with us where you felt very proud for the first time to be a part of it?

Mr. Yadav: So, the first time Pride happened in Delhi, I lied to my parents saying I was going to a music class and went to attend it. I was very young at that time, only about 18 years old. Someone told me that since you are young you should wear a mask. I denied that. If had to wear a mask I would have stayed at home. I celebrated with full fervor and that was captured by NDTV India. My family got to know! My only objective of going there was that when history is written about the first pride in Delhi, I would to be a part of it.

Again, at the time of the verdict I was given the honour to share my story with the SC judges. I got the opportunity to explain how section 377 is affecting my life and the lives of those like me. When I submitted my petition, again I was overcome with joy. Whenever there is some discussion about section 377 in India, Gautam Yadav would always be a small part of it!

Muskan: To conclude, how was your experience at Samarpan'19 at SRCC? Mr. Yadav: I always love coming to colleges to address the youth of the country. I would love to come again next year with a different topic! I believe that if I'm able to change even 1 life in my lifetime, I'll have succeeded. Me and my team would love to engage with your college on a more regular basis!

Muskan: Thank you so much sir! We will be honoured.



#### **SRISHTI JAIN**

Srishti Jain is the Co founder of Feeding India channelizes extra food from individuals, weddings, restaurants and corporate offices to people who really need it.

Feeding India as a team are changing the way India deals with wasted food.

Lavanya: Whom do you see as your inspiration? Why?

Srishti Jain: I see Barack Obama as my inspiration and that's because as a person he has broken many barriers. Afro American becoming the president and creating history just with his own work has inspired me a lot. On number two, I would keep Steve Jobs. That's because, in a time where no one thought there could be a computer that everyone can use he managed to create one.

Lavanya: How has the government supported your organization?

Srishti Jain: There has been a support from the government but I would say it is very slow. This initiative is very new for people to observe and follow. People think of excess food as a taboo. There are few organizations that have supported but there a lot of things to be done. Like, passing laws and creating awareness, tax exemption for companies to donate food.

Lavanya: Why do you think social responsibility should be imbibed in children of today?

Srishti Jain: I think it is already imbibed. Right from mother's teaching their children to share things, social responsibility begins. It is more about people questioning why am I this way when someone of his age lives differently. Social sustainability should be included in very set of people in the country. It is not only about social entrepreneurship.

Lavanya: What is one message you would like to give the young generation?

Srishti Jain: "Start small and start now" is what I would like to say. This means start taking steps even if you feel they are very small and do not wait for a good time to came. Rather, start now itself. Think that now is the time.







Lavanya: How was your experience being at Samarpan 19, SRCC?

Srishti Jain: It was amazing being here. Things are different when we address a crowd just here to listen, but today the students here were genuine interested in the problem and its solution. I hope they will take back something from today and act in making this world a better place.





SPLASH OF JOY







#### **GIFT LIFE 2019**

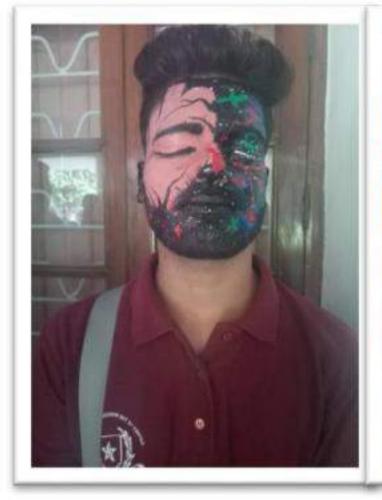
NSS SRCC in collaboration with National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organization-Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India organized GIFT LIFE 2018, an initiative to promote and support Organ Donation. The event witnessed a massive participation of students in various competitions.

Day 1 of the event commenced with lighting of lamp as a sign of good beginning, by Dr. Promila Gupta, Principal Consultant, Director General DGHS, MoHFW, Gol as a chief guest; Dr. Vasanthi Ramesh, Director of NOTTO as our guest of honor; Prof. Simrit Kaur, Principal, SRCC and Dr. Nawang Gialchhen, Programme Officer. It was followed by motivating speeches by Dr. Promila Gupta, Dr. Vasanthi Ramesh, Prof. Simrit Kaur and Dr. Nawang Gialchhen which inspired the audience to take a pledge to become a donor and save several lives.

The event kick-started with the Poster Making Competition. It aimed at spreading the message of deceased organ donation using one's creativity. The theme for the competition was "Transport: From Retrieval of Organ to Transplant". 60 teams across various colleges participated in the competition. In the chronology, the next competition was face painting. It witnessed the participation of 21 teams on the theme "Let's give a new life, let's donate our organs". Ms. Nirupama, Dr.Mukul and Dr. Ak Gadpyle were the judges for the competition. The Street Play competition witnessed the participation of 6 teams on the theme: "Steps of Organ Donation" with Ms. Kavita Singh (Director, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) and Mr.Sanjeev Kumar (Director, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare) as judges. A quiz was conducted by quizmaster Dr. Nikhil Prasad which witnessed a participation of 45 teams. After a successful line up of events on the first day, the second day of Gift Life'18 began with the melodious notes of participants in the singing competition on the theme of 'Deceased Organ Donation'. A total of 7 teams turned up for the competition and fascinated the audience with their self-composed mellifluous songs.



It was judged by Ms. Anuradha Ramam, Ms. Vasanthi Ramesh, Ms. Charanya Lakshmi Kumaran, Ms. Hema Ramakrishnan, and Ms. Indira Iyer. Rangoli competition witnessed a participation of 24 teams on the theme: Felicitation of Organ Donor Families and with Ms. Sangeeta Abrol, Ms. Gauri Sen Gupta and Ms. Anuradha Ramam as judges. Slogan writing competition (English and Hindi) witnessed the participation of 53 in total; on the theme Breaking Myths and Misconceptions regarding deceased organ donation; English slogans were judged Ms. Sangeeta Abrol, Ms. Indira Iyer and Ms. Hema Ramakrishnan and the Hindi slogans were judged by Mr. Binod Khaitan. Model making competition on the theme - Mould the life was conducted which was judged by Mr. Binod Khaitan and Ms. Anuradha Rama. The extempore competition witnessed a participation of 42 members on the issue Life After Death and Dr. AK Jain, Dr. Jugul Kishore, and Sh. Girraj Singh as judges. Film Making Competition witnessed participation from various colleges who recorded motivational films on the theme of 'Life Goes On- Grief Counselling'. All the films were eyeopeners for the youngsters who attended the event! The films were judged by Dr. L.R. Verma, C.K. Durga, Dr. Rana A.K. Singh, Dr. V.P. Singh and they really appreciated the efforts put in by the teams. In all, GIFT LIFE 2019 was huge success...













#### **SAMARPAN 2019**

National service scheme, set up with the motto, "Not me, but you", has been one of the biggest initiatives by the ministry of youth affairs and sports. Since the year 1969, NSS has done countless hours of service to the people of the country. We at NSS, SRCC wish to continue the same spirit and serve people with compassion and love.

Samarpan, the annual festival of NSS SRCC aims at bringing together the joy of service and the feelings of fun and frolic in a manner unseen and unheard. Power packed events to the joyous flash mob, this fest is one of a kind. Samarpan 2019 kick started with Speaker session led by following panelists

1.Mr. Kapil Raj. A renowned author and a man with compassion towards women problems, his session revolved around his recently brought out book - Endurer: A rape story. He discussed the pathetic condition of females in the present days. He faulted the society for blaming women for the assault. Quoting various recently occurred assaults against women, he said violence is not an option. "If punishment was a solution, there would have been no rapes after Nirbhaya" he said. The discussion was indulging and thought provoking throughout. The session concluded with him saying "She is an endurer. Not a victim."

2.Gautam Yadav – an activist for the LGBTQ community – spoke about the deprivations faced by the persons of LGBTQ community and how hard it was for them to live in a society which treated then as not-humans. He said his childhood was miserable and it was one of the many reasons he wanted to fight for the rights of "his people." He welcomed the Supreme Court's decision to scrap Section 377, IPC and said that people's opinion should be changed regarding the people. Acknowledging the present generation for being empathetic, he said "They don't need your sympathy. They need your empathy." The heart rendering session received applause time and again from the audience.

**2nd day**: 3. Srishti Jain is the co-founder of Feeding India foundation—an NGO working against the wastage of food. The session went on as she spoke about how Feeding India is improving the lives of people.





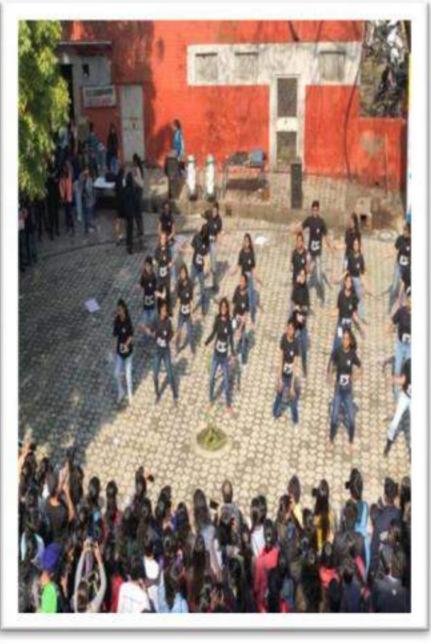
She said the idea of starting the NGO sprung up when they came across food being wasted at a marriage function. "We act as a connecting link between people who waste food and those who are in dire need of it" she said, addressing the intrigued audience. 13 PEHAL She spoke about people contacting them and volunteering, from across the country, for this great cause. She urged the audience to contact Feeding India it they found food being wasted. "Volunteer for this great cause and be a Hunger Hero" she said concluding the session.

Closing cermony: 4. Gitika Jain is the founder of Begum Wazir which does its part in waste management. Her session focused on how poor waste management leads to regressive economics growth and other impacts it would on the people. Sambhav was a utensil bank she started and its function was to provide people with steel plates, spoons and glasses so as to discourage people from using plastic. "The tremendous response from people motivated me to continue with my efforts and not give" she said. She discouraged the audience from using plastic and asked them to separate waste when they discard it. She ended the session giving a message to the students. "Be the change you want to see."













#### **PROJECT SANSKAR**

From being not satisfied with the wing I was inducted into, to coming to love the people associated with it the very first day I worked for that wing, I have come a long way with NSS. The past two years of my life have been like a roller coaster ride and if I come to think of it now, NSS was major part of it. I underwent a myriad of emotions while being a part of NSS. The bonds that I have created and the Sanskar kids I have come to love are the major takeaways for me. As a person, I have become more confident, responsible and passionate. NSS has been my driving force for the last two years. My feelings for NSS are ineffable.



- Vedanshi

### VEDANSHI

#### **PROJECT VISHWAS**

"NSS" is not a society, it is a feeling, with plethora of emotions behind it. I still remember my initial days at college when "social service" didn't appease me and I had no strong reasons to join NSS. The curious eyes and cheerful laughters of Sanskar kids soon made me realise that NSS is not just about "social service", it is about finding yourself while impacting several other lives. The editorial wing provided a platform to me to vent my emotions through writing. Working for Project Vishwas was altogether a different experience with fresh learnings everyday, while paving ways for differently abled. NSS provided me with those college friends about whom people write and talk, it gave me those moments that I'll cherish for my entire life and a family that stands together through all the vicissitudes.

SHIVANI

- Shivani







#### MARKETING AND PR

The kind of experiences I sought being an active volunteer and Marketing head of NSS SRCC is really life changing, it took me directly to witness real life problems and taught me what I, as an individual can do to bring about a significant change in lives of people. The way we directly mould the thoughts, perceptions and characters of the kids we teach, is especially Commendable, above all these, I personally get satisfied if I could find a smile on atleast one face, or If my work brings about change in atleast one person. Because, if my little effort change one person, it changes his home then his neighborhood, then his nation, then it would in turn bring a change in the mankind, I would be the most happiest to lay that stone for building a better living place for all of us. It's a family where you learn your Real Potential, Wisdom, leadership Qualities, Humble Approach, a loving team and above all a big heart.



**SAI TEJA** 



- Saiteja

#### **SAVE YOUTH**

The past 2 years in NSS has been one of the most amazing experiences. This roller coaster ride is a memory to be cherished forever. For me, NSS is a blend of emotions and a very beautiful journey that embarked upon me towards a better version of myself. I toiled, learnt and enjoyed every bit of tasks. NSS provided me a platform to exhibit my skills, becoming a two way process of give and take.

I would be forever grateful to NSS because it really gave a boost to my personality enhancement and situation dealing skills.

-Shrashti



**SHRASHTI** 







#### **TECHNICAL**

My journey in NSS has been a unique experience. The otherwise resolute support of my expressive words seem to fail me at this critical juncture when I am given this opportune task of mentioning my remarkable journey in NSS.

When I visited the crooked and shabby reaches of the debilitating slums, along came the realization that the opportunities I thought so little of, opportunities that I took for granted, were in fact privileges that the other half of the society envied which my narrow vision of entitlement couldn't possibly allow me to see. This epiphany mixed with guilt became the driving force for all my work. The only thing I wanted to do was to serve the poor and underprivileged so that I could give back something to them, no matter how trivial or frivolous it might appear. The smile on the faces of the poor alone, became a perpetual source of my happiness, an emotions that over the years I became so intoxicated towards, that I could put all my blood and sweat towards reliving it. My entire college life is dedicated towards empowering the disempowered and uplifting the marginalized. I do it not because I think they are dependent on me in any way but because I feel I am dependent on them to shed off my entitlement and my sense of privilege. - Archit



ARCHIT



#### **CREATIVE**

Being a member of NSS is a great opportunity that comes to a few like me. Here, we learn skills like leadership, team building, inclusive growth, etc. along with having fun and serving the society.

I feel this is the only society that gives a feeling of pleasure as here we work not for competing but for serving.

- Khusbhoo



**KHUSBHOO** 



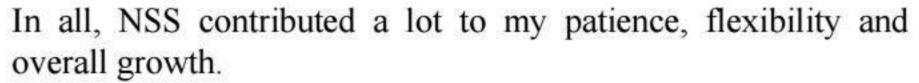






#### SOCIAL SUPPORT

Being a part of NSS for the past 2years, gave me an experience of being eloquent, handling various events ,organizing fests and leading group of people single handedly. It lent me a feeling of contentment and made me little more tactful and protective about the social aspects. Moreover as a cabinet member, I got an opportunity to work with a bunch of people all from different walks of life and different point of views. Visiting NGO's and cancer hospitals made me look at the brighter side of life overcoming the darkness.



- Abhilasha



**ABHILASHA** 



#### **SPONSORSHIP**

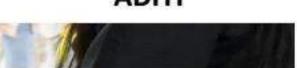
NSS is something that makes you think more of others and live for the society betterment. It not only makes you sensitive towards your surroundings but also enhances your personality with plethora of activities, visits, interactions. On my personal level, being the sponsorship head, made me a lot more practical, confident and approachable.

The spirit of volunteerism and the satisfaction you get in NSS, is unmatchable and unexplainable

- Aditi



ADITI



#### SOCIAL HEALTH

As a volunteer of NSS in the first year, I inculcated a feeling of compassion and serving for others. But being a head in the second year was a total different experience. I got a chance to lead, communicate, motivate and improve myself in ways I didn't know I needed to. NSS gave me a platform to channel my energy into something wholesome and productive. The feeling of satisfaction after organizing an event that benefits others is incomparable, and NSS gave me a chance to experience that.

- Khyaati



KHYAATI





#### **ENVIRONMENT**

National Service Scheme has instilled in me the true sense of service to the society. I am indebted to NSS for teaching me the attributes of a good human being. With an year down, this journey of an NSS cabinet member would end, perhaps, the journey of a responsible and caring person will continue with a new motto-not me but you.

My special thanks to Nawang sir (TIC NSS), seniors and fellow cabinet members for their constant support throughout to make this a memorable tenure.

- Pragati



#### PROJECT SANSKAR

NSS for me is a zeal to work for some cause. You get to know the beneficiaries very closely, meet new people, understand their needs and do every bit to support them. The satisfaction you get while creating an impact is unexplicable.

Happiness is when you see so many smiles, making your life beautiful. Being a part of Project Sanskar for a couple of years, these kids have been a great inspiration for me, helping me stay grounded and humble. Education should not be restricted just for a privileged few but rather should be accessible to everyone. The bond that has been created during this time, has transformed NSS into NSS family. They really have become an unexpendable part of my life.

- Eshaan



#### **SPONSORSHIP**

Being a cabinet member in NSS has been a one in a million opportunity. I have improved as a person in many ways. I have developed the virtues of team work, leadership, pressure handling and innovation. Serving people selflessly has added a sense of empathy to my personality.

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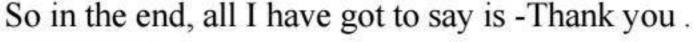






#### WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

Having worked in NSS, as the women empowerment wing head, I got the chance to not just witness the ground reality but also work towards changing It. Apart from doing your bit to Change the world, the journey of being a member and leading the team changes you in ways you can't forsee. It was a roller-coaster ride which exposed me to a lot of great things. It taught me about how privilege comes handy for some people and yet others haven't heard of it. It, in many ways, laid out the difference between things that matter and the ones that don't. I know how people say that there's a universe within them, but While visiting those slums and shelter homes and interacting with a lot of strong and ingenious young girls and women and getting to know a little about them, I realized that there's a completely different world outside, something we're not aware of yet and that we need to step out of our confined spaces to understand that there's a lot more to it than what everyone claims.



- Devanshi



DEVANSHI

#### **PROJECT VISHWAS**

Describe my college life in a word? I'll answer you- NSS. While I was made the Project Vishwas head, all I could see was a bunch of strangers I'd be working with for a year but when I write this I realize, it's now a family I've countless immortal memories with.

Vishwas might be just another project for everyone, but in real sense, it shaped me. It helped me realize that it's always about the satisfaction we get while we create a real impact.

- Kriti



KRITI





#### MARKETING AND PR

IT'S A SMALL NOTE FROM MYSIDE .AHH...WHERE SHOULD I START!? It's totally a different experience you get inducted as a cabinet member .After coming to college and knowing the things, NSS entered into my bucket list. I can't express my feelings for NSS .we strive for the development of society and we do fests and events to bring change in people's perception. At the end of my first year I felt I'm more inclined towards service and I continued . Responsibility, commitment ,hardwork and passion are the things I developed during this year .I have a lot of memories to be cherished. The impact NSS created in my life is something which I will cherish through out my life.



**GOPI** 



- Ch.. Gopichand

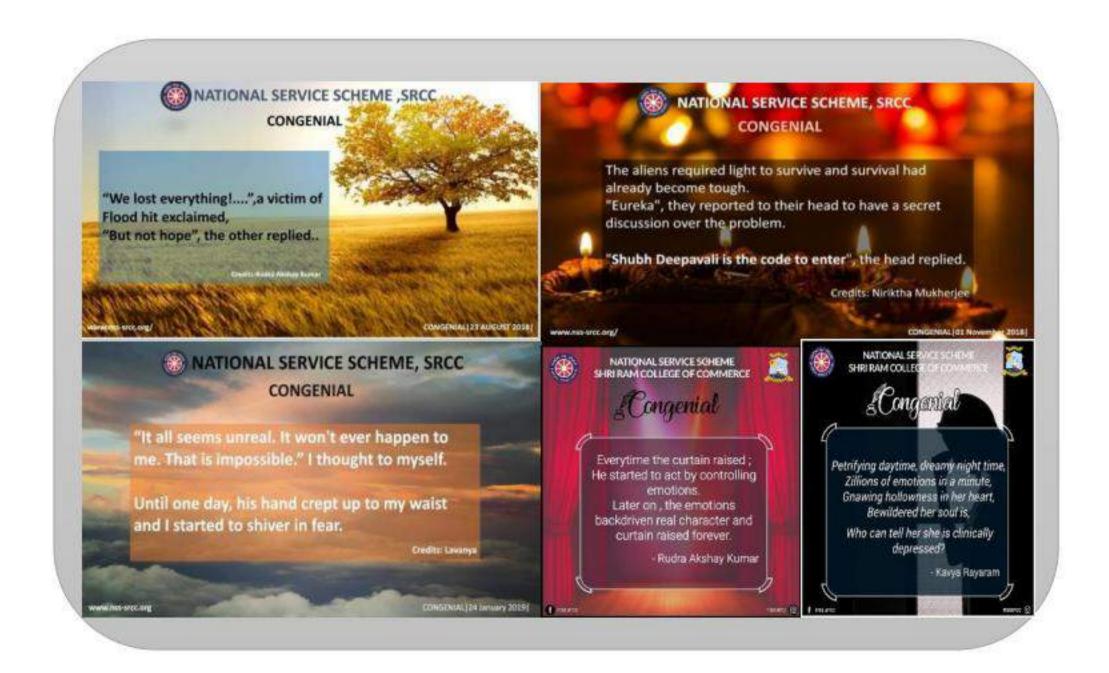




#### CONGENIAL

Congenial is an attempt by editorial team of NSS SRCC to articulate words by giving its life and soul. Congenial as the term suggests contains highly appreciable thoughts and conversations. Congenial has been released on every Thursday on all social media platforms of NSS SRCC. Congenial as a platform provided an exceptional market for the students to advertise their thought provoking content.

Congenial as the weekly post attracted a diversified readers and received appreciation from various enthusiastic writers. Congenial with continuous and relentless efforts of editorial team brought some significant changes in thoughts of readers. I here by appreciate the team and thank our readers for continuous support.



#### - Rudra Akshay Kumar





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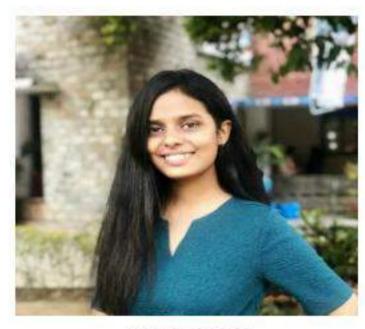
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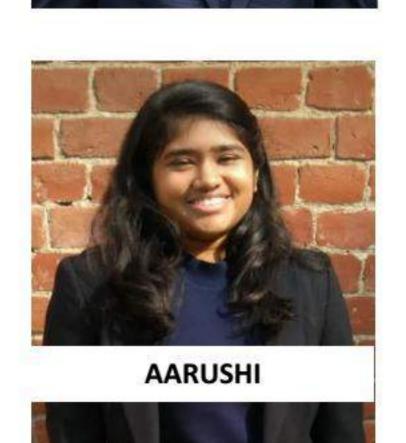


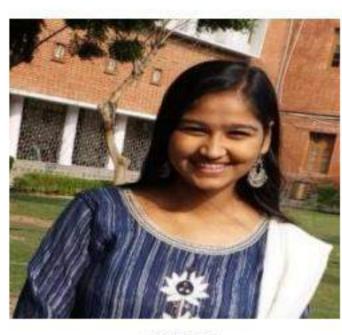




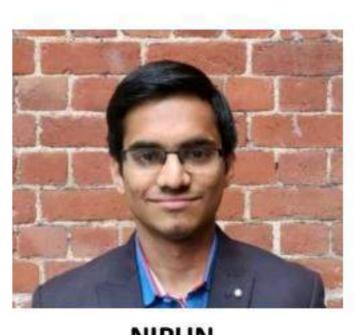












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