

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN 2024

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Unity in Diversity

Date: 02 March, 2024

Timings	Programme
9:00-9:30	Flag Hoisting
9:30-12:30	Field Work
12:30 - 12:45	Alumni Interaction
12:45-1:30	Lunch
1:30-2:00	Reviews And Speeches
2:00-3:30	Valedictory
3:30-3:40	Break
3:45-5:00	Report, Certificate Distribution
5:00-5:45	Culturals
5:45-5:50	Flag De-hoisting
5:50-6:00	National Anthem

Flag Hoisting:

On the last day of our NSS special summer camp, which was themed around unity in diversity, our Program Officer (PO) commenced the day's activities by hoisting the flag. This symbolic gesture represented our collective commitment to unity and patriotism.

Following the flag hoisting, the PO assigned fieldwork tasks to the volunteers. Among these assignments, the chosen activity was the cleaning of a temple. This task was not only a practical way to contribute to our community but also served as an opportunity to embrace and respect cultural diversity.

Fieldwork

The volunteers eagerly embraced the temple cleaning assignment, recognizing its significance in promoting community cohesion and cultural understanding. Armed with cleaning supplies and a shared sense of purpose, they set out to beautify the temple premises.

As the day progressed, the volunteers worked tirelessly, sweeping, scrubbing, and tidying up the temple grounds. Despite the physical exertion, their spirits remained high, fueled by a sense of fulfillment derived from serving a common cause and contributing to the well-being of the community.

Throughout the fieldwork activity, the volunteers bonded over shared experiences and mutual respect for each other's backgrounds and beliefs. Their collaboration exemplified the camp's theme of unity in diversity, demonstrating that despite our differences, we can come together to achieve common goals.

By the afternoon, the temple cleaning task was successfully completed, thanks to the dedication and hard work of the volunteers. The transformed temple stood as a testament to their collective effort and served as a tangible reminder of the power of unity in fostering positive change within our communities.



Student volunteer cleaning temple local premises



SHRAMADHAN

Date: 01.07.2024

Introduction:

The NSS Unit-III is organized a Shramadhan event on 1st July 2024 at Anurag University main gate premises. The program aimed to promote cleanliness and environmental awareness through community involvement. The initiative emphasized the importance of keeping our surroundings clean and instilling a sense of social responsibility among the participants.

Banner for the Event:



The NSS Unit-III team conducted outreach through posters and social media, inviting students and local residents to participate. Volunteers were assigned specific roles to ensure the smooth execution of the event. The event started with a speech by the Program Officer Purushotham Theegala, encouraging all participants to contribute actively. Volunteers engaged in cleaning tasks, which included weeding, street sweeping, and waste disposal. We also held a brief session on waste management, highlighting how proper segregation and recycling can reduce waste significantly.

All students actively joined the volunteers, and many expressed their willingness to participate in future events. We received positive feedback on the importance of such community-driven initiatives. The area was visibly cleaner by the end of the event. The awareness session helped participants understand the value of maintaining cleanliness. There was a marked increase in community members' commitment to keeping their environment clean. Some challenges included limited cleaning tools and initial reluctance from some community members to participate. However, through persistent efforts and encouragement, we overcame these issues.



Student volunteers cleaning up local area

MANA MATTI VINAYAKA

Date: 4th September 2024

Time: 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Venue: Sitting Area, H Block

No. of Participants: 112

On September 4, 2024, Anurag University hosted the "Mana Matti Vinayaka" event, setting an exemplary precedent in the celebration of Ganesh Chaturthi with sustainability at its core. This eco-conscious event attracted a large, enthusiastic group of participants, all eager to engage in a meaningful activity aimed at protecting our environment while honoring time-honored traditions.

Held between 2:30 PM and 4:00 PM, the event provided an “immersive” experience, inviting attendees to craft their very own Ganesh idols using seed-infused clay mud. This approach ensured that the idols, when immersed post-festival, would decompose naturally and give rise to new life—sprouting plants from the embedded seeds, thus symbolizing the perfect harmony between tradition and nature.

Promoting Sustainability through Action

Mana Matti Vinayaka wasn't just an event—it was a movement toward eco-consciousness, aiming to redefine how festivals like Ganesh Chaturthi can be celebrated responsibly. The choice to use seed-infused clay mud over non-biodegradable materials showcased the university's dedication to reducing the environmental impact typically associated with idol immersions. By promoting the creation of these eco-friendly Ganesh idols, the event underscored the importance of preserving water bodies and contributing to green spaces.



Conclusion

The success of the Mana Matti Vinayakudu event has set a strong example of how tradition and sustainability can be seamlessly integrated. Anurag University, through this event, has demonstrated leadership in promoting environmentally conscious celebrations, reinforcing the importance of collective responsibility toward the planet.