Shikshan mandal Karad's Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Karad

Activity Report Academic Year 2020-21

Date: 2020-21

Department/ Committee: National Service Scheme (NSS)

Title of the Activity/ Programme: COVID-19 Awareness Activities

Resource Persons (if any): -

Number of beneficiaries: More than 1000

Short Description of Activity/ Programme:

1. Preparation and Distribution of Fabric Masks:

The Govt. of India imposed a nationwide lockdown in March 2020 in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic. Upholding the principle of service to society, the NSS volunteers of Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Karad rose to the occasion and undertook the work of creating awareness regarding COVID-19 in the society. As part of this initiative the volunteers prepared fabric masks from fabrics available at home and distributed the same to the needy people free of cost. Thirty students prepared and distributed 25 masks each. Dr. Snehal Prabhune (I/C Principal) also stitched and distributed 18 masks to the needy.

2. COVID-19 Awareness through Wallpapers and Posters:

In the wake of total lockdown students could not step out of their homes to create awareness in the society. Hence, our NSS volunteers prepared posters and wallpapers with materials readily available at home and circulated them through social media in order to create awareness among the people.

3. Free Distribution of Sanitizers:

During the COVID -19 pandemic our NSS volunteers, students and teachers contributed funds to purchase sanitizer bottles. These were distributed among street vendors, labourers, poor and needy people.

4. COVID -19 Awareness through Rangolis:

NSS volunteers of Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Karad created rangoli designs before their homes in order to create awareness about COVID-19 especially depicting its symptoms, causes, precautions and care to be taken regarding COVID -19.

5. My Village Corona-free Village Campaign:

With the advent of the second wave of COVID-19, the nation witnessed another spell of lockdown. In order to provide help and create awareness among the people in such an emergency, the NSS Department of Shivaji University, Kolhapur launched the "My Village, Corona-free Village Campaign"- perhaps first of its kind in India. In response to the appeal of the affiliating University, the NSS department of Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Karad spontaneously

Participated in the activity. Subsequently, five villages from Karad Tehsil viz. Kese, Vasantgad, Abhaychiwadi, Gharewadi and Potale were adopted to implement this campaign. The Programme Officer of NSS, the Committee members and NSS volunteers actively participated in it. In view of the directives from the State Govt., every Village Panchayat had taken up the setting up of isolation centres. Our NSS team helped in the setting up of such isolation centres and also provided necessary help to the patients admitted therein.

6. Corona Testing Camp:

As part of the "My village Corona-free Village Campaign" of the NSS Department of Shvaji University Kolhapur, the NSS department with the active participation of the Programme Officer, Committee members and NSS volunteers helped the Health Department and local administration in the five adopted villages of Kese, Vasantgad, Gharewadi, Abhaychiwdi and Potale in the organization of Corona screening and testing camps.

7. COVID-19 Preventive Measures and Vaccination Awareness Campaign:

The NSS volunteers of Mahila Mahavidyalaya, spontaneously and actively participated in the campaign to create awareness among people regarding the preventive/precautionary measures and COVID-19 vaccination. They convinced the people the need to undertake vaccination. The Programme Officer, Committee members and the volunteers also actively helped in the organization of Vaccination camps in the adopted villages. The Programme Officer also contributed as resource person at the webinars organized by other colleges to bring about aware ness about COVID-19.

8. Blood Donation Camp:

In wake of COVID-19 pandemic the state witnessed acute shortage of blood supply. The Chief Minister of Maharashtra Hon. Shri Uddhav Thakare appealed to organize blood donation camps by following the COVID appropriate behaviour and related protocols. IN response to this the NSS department of Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Karad organized a blood donation camp on 4 Jan, 2021 in collaboration with HDFC Bank and Mahalaxmi Blood Bank. 100 bags of blood was mobilized in the camp rendering the camp a great success. Eight faculty members of the college were also among the donors.

The Programme Officer, the Committee members and the NSS Volunteers of our College showed great Social awareness in the trying situation of COVID -19 pandemic and actively contributed to the cause of creating awareness among the people by following the COVID appropriate behaviour. We are justly proud of their valuable contribution in the hour of need.