National Service Scheme (NSS) 2025-26

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Cleanliness Drive With BMC

Event Description: The NSS unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) actively participated in a Cleanliness and Awareness Drive in Collaboration with BMC Solid Waste Management. Volunteers demonstrated the spirit of responsibility, community service, and environmental awareness through on-ground cleaning efforts and public engagement.

Tree Plantation with Muskurate Raho

Event Description: The NSS Volunteers actively participated in a Tree Plantation Drive on 1st June at Aarey Milk Colony, Goregaon. The Goal of this activity was to raise awareness about the environment and contribute towards a greener and cleaner future. During the event, volunteers planted several plants across the area and took part in maintaining the green cover. From digging the soil to watering the plants, each volunteer put in hand-on effort to care for the environment.

World Environment Day

Event Description: On the occasion of World Environment Day, our NSS volunteers successfully participated in two impactful activities- “Best out of Waste” and “Nature’s Picture”. Through creative use of recyclable material and thoughtful photography, volunteers highlighted both the beauty of nature and the challenges it faces due to pollution and human

negligence. This initiative aimed to promote environmental awareness, sustainability, and responsibility among youth- reinforcing our commitment towards building a greener future.

Beach Cleanup Drive

Event Description: On 29th June 2025, NSS volunteers actively participated in a Beach Cleanup Drive at Mahim Beach, in collaboration with the NCC, Enigma Team and the Beach Please Community. The drive aimed to raise awareness about marine pollution and promote environmental responsibility. Volunteers came together to remove plastic waste and other pollutants, contributing towards restoring the natural beauty of the coastline. This initiative not only emphasized the importance of collective action but also reflected the spirit of youth-driven change for a cleaner, greener tomorrow.

Tree Plantation Drive

Event Description: On 27th July 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College, in collaboration with NCC, Hikers Club, and DLLE, successfully conducted a Tree Plantation Drive at Yogi Hills, Mulund. Along with planting saplings to promote a greener environment, our enthusiastic volunteers also cleaned the surrounding areas by collecting plastic bottles, wrappers, and other waste materials. This joint effort reflected the true spirit of teamwork and environmental responsibility.

Beach Clean Up with Beach Warrior

Event Description: On 22nd November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College participated in a Beach Clean-Up Drive at Juhu Koliwada, in collaboration with Beach Warriors. Volunteers worked together to remove plastic waste, discarded materials, and other pollutants from the shoreline, contributing to a cleaner and healthier coastal environment. The drive highlighted the importance of marine conservation, responsible waste management, and the power of collective action in protecting our natural habitats. A morning of service, sustainability, and environmental responsibility.

Book Binding

Event Description: On 2nd January, the NSS Unit conducted a Book Binding Activity where volunteers were given ample time to create or purchase books for school children. Volunteers also designed creative and attractive cover pages to make the books more engaging. The books prepared were 100–200 pages long and contained stories and educational content. These books were later distributed to school children in the adopted village to encourage reading and learning habits.

Cloth Bag Collection

Event Description: On 2nd January, the NSS Unit organized a Cloth Bag Making Activity to promote eco-friendly practices. Volunteers created reusable cloth bags with creative designs and messages supporting environmental awareness. The bags were carefully prepared using simple materials and teamwork. These cloth bags were later distributed in the adopted village to encourage people to reduce the use of plastic bags and adopt sustainable alternatives.

Blood Donation Drive

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College, in collaboration with LTMG Sion Hospital, successfully conducted a Blood Donation Drive on 25th July 2025 at the college auditorium. Despite adverse weather conditions and continuous rainfall, the spirit of service remained strong. We are pleased to share that a total of 31 units of blood was collected during the drive. We extend our sincere gratitude to all the donors and volunteers whose dedication, and participation made this noble cause a success.

Yoga Workshop

Event Description: From 16th to 20th June our NSS unit organised a Yoga Workshop under the expert guidance of Dr. R. Prasana Laxshimi, held daily from 7:45 AM in our college auditorium. The session focused on promoting physical well-being, mental clarity and inner balance through a series of traditional yoga asanas, breathing techniques, and mindfulness practices. Volunteers actively participated, embracing the essence of yoga as a path to holistic health and self-discipline.

International Yoga Day in College

Event Description: On the occasion of International Day of Yoga, the NSS Unit organized a yoga session in the college auditorium on 21st June from 7:45 a.m. The session aimed to promote physical fitness, mental well-being, and the importance of incorporating yoga into daily life. NSS volunteers and students enthusiastically participated in various yoga asanas and breathing exercises under guidance, creating a calm and energetic atmosphere. The

activity encouraged students to adopt a healthy lifestyle and highlighted the significance of yoga in maintaining balance between mind and body.

Stem Cell Donation

Event Description: 4th December 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics, in collaboration with Marrow Donor Registry India, successfully organized a Stem Cell Donation Drive on campus. The initiative aimed to create awareness about stem cell donation and encourage students to register as potential donors, highlighting how a simple step can help save lives. The drive was an inspiring experience that reinforced values of compassion, social responsibility, and community service among volunteers and participants.

RRC Peer Training

Event Description: On 11th September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College participated in an RRC Peer Training Session under the Red Ribbon Club initiative. The training focused on spreading awareness about HIV & AIDS, promoting healthy lifestyle choices, and encouraging peer-to-peer learning. Volunteers actively participated in discussions and activities that aimed at building knowledge, breaking myths, and creating a supportive environment for youth. It was an empowering session that motivated students to become peer educators and agents of positive change in society

RRC Social Media Task

Event Description: A social media awareness task was assigned to RRC volunteers to help them connect with official awareness platforms. Volunteers were asked to follow the official NACO Instagram page and subscribe to the NACO YouTube channel to stay updated with important information related to health awareness, HIV/AIDS prevention, and youth responsibility. After completing the task, participants uploaded screenshots as proof in a shared Google Drive folder. This activity encouraged volunteers to stay informed and actively engage with reliable sources of awareness and educational content.

Run To END AIDS

Event Description: On 12th October 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College participated in the Red Run Marathon organized by MDACS, Wadala. The event featured 2 km, and 4 km runs aimed at spreading awareness about HIV/AIDS prevention and healthy living. Our volunteers actively took part - some ran in the marathon, while others helped in managing the crowd and assisting the organizers throughout the event. The Red Run served as a reminder of the importance of awareness, fitness, and compassion - encouraging youth to lead by example and support social causes.

HIV/AIDS Awareness Rally

Event Description: RRC Week commenced with the distribution of RRC materials such as bands and badges to volunteers, followed by a rally conducted in Matunga, within the college premises, in collaboration with Ruia College. The rally aimed to spread awareness about HIV/AIDS and promote the message of social responsibility among the public. The activity concluded with a pledge, where volunteers committed themselves to spreading awareness, reducing stigma, and supporting informed and responsible behavior

Slogan & Poster Making
Event Description: As part of RRC Week, volunteers actively participated in the Poster and Slogan Making activity to promote awareness about HIV/AIDS. Through creative expressions and impactful slogans, the activity aimed to spread accurate information, encourage awareness, and address misconceptions related to HIV/AIDS. This initiative emphasized the role of creativity and youth participation in fostering awareness and social responsibility.

Essay Writing & Tattoo Making
Event Description: As part of RRC Week, volunteers participated in the Red Ribbon Tattoo Making activity to express their support for HIV/AIDS awareness. The red ribbon symbolized solidarity, compassion, and commitment towards spreading correct information and reducing stigma associated with HIV/AIDS. Through this activity, volunteers demonstrated that small symbolic actions can play a significant role in promoting awareness and social responsibility.

Sticker Pasting & Meme Making
Event Description: As part of RRC Week, volunteers participated in a Meme Making activity to promote awareness about HIV/AIDS in an engaging and meaningful manner. Through creative visuals and thoughtful messaging, the activity aimed to communicate important information, challenge misconceptions, and encourage informed discussions. This initiative highlighted the effective use of digital creativity as a tool for awareness and education.

Digital Poster Making
Event Description: Creativity met cause as our volunteers designed powerful digital posters on HIV/AIDS awareness, spreading facts, fighting stigma, and amplifying the message that knowledge saves lives.
Every poster = a voice. Every design = a step towards awareness.

RRC Awareness Quiz
Event Description: The NSS Unit organized an RRC Awareness Quiz on 12th December 2025 through an online platform to spread awareness and provide important information

about RRC initiatives. The quiz aimed to educate students on various awareness topics and encourage them to stay informed and responsible towards society. Many students actively participated and answered a series of informative questions, making the event both engaging and educational. The activity successfully promoted awareness, learning, and participation among students.

Awareness Interaction Activity

Event Description: On Day 7, our volunteers took HIV/AIDS awareness directly to the community by placing and sharing QR codes in different localities — linking people to accurate information and awareness resources, along with shelter documentation. Scan. Learn. Share.

Because awareness should be accessible to all.

Red Ribbon Batch Photo

Event Description: One click. One symbol. One strong message. Our volunteers captured moments wearing the red ribbon batch, standing in solidarity for HIV/AIDS awareness.

Because awareness isn't just spoken — it's worn, shown, and shared.

RRC Baton & Pledge

Event Description: The RRC Baton & Pledge activity was conducted on 27th February, where volunteers from Kirti College visited to hand over the RRC Baton to our RRC head as a symbol of responsibility and commitment. The baton exchange represented the continuation of efforts to promote awareness and social responsibility among youth. Following the exchange, all participants took a pledge to actively spread awareness and uphold the values and objectives of the Red Ribbon Club, making the event meaningful and inspiring for everyone involved.

RRC Human Chain

Event Description: Following the RRC Baton exchange and pledge ceremony, volunteers organized a creative activity to represent the spirit of the Red Ribbon Club. Using red balloons and crepe paper, the volunteers gathered together and held them up to form the RRC symbol. This visual representation highlighted unity, awareness, and the collective commitment of the volunteers to spread the message and values of the Red Ribbon Club.

Survey of AHTC (Chembur)

Event Description: Our NSS volunteers participated in a slum survey at Vishnu Nagar from 26th to 28th May in collaboration with The Movement India, focusing on the conditions of children in the area. The team visited over 550 homes across 22 communities and collected data from more than 399 families. Despite heavy rain on the first day, the volunteers remained dedicated, interacting with families and gathering key information on education, health, and basic needs. The survey aimed to identify children lacking access to proper education and facilities, helping the NGO plan learning centres and essential support services.

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AHTC Awareness Day (Street Play)

Event Description: On 30th July 2025, the NSS unit of R.A. Podar College, in collaboration with AHTC, successfully performed impactful street plays at the college gate and Matunga Railway Station to make World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. The plays addresses critical social issues such as child labour, fake marriages targeting women, and other forms to human trafficking, aiming to spread awareness and inspire collective action. Our passionate volunteers used the power of street theatre to engage the audience, spark conversations, and highlight the urgent need to combat exploitation in all its forms.

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Posters Making

(Youth Against Human Trafficking)

Event Description: Our NSS Unit organized a Poster Making Activity on the theme “Youth Against Human Trafficking” to raise awareness through creative expression. Volunteers designed handmade posters depicting various forms of exploitation and the importance of social responsibility. The activity encouraged students to use art as a medium to convey strong messages against human trafficking and inspired them to actively contribute to creating a more aware and responsible society.

Walk for Freedom (The Moment)

Event Description: Our NSS volunteers actively participated in the “Walk for Freedom” organized in collaboration with The Movement India to raise awareness against the pervasive issue of human trafficking. During the walk, volunteers joined hands with participants from various communities to demonstrate solidarity and amplify the message of freedom, dignity, and human rights. The activity served as a platform for young people to showcase their commitment to social causes and highlight the importance of collective action in combating exploitation. By engaging in this initiative, the volunteers not only spread awareness about human trafficking but also reinforced the values of empathy, responsibility, and active citizenship, inspiring others to contribute toward building a more informed, compassionate, and just society.

Safety Campaign : Posters & Slogans

Event Description: Volunteers created posters and slogans to promote patriotism and raise awareness about safety, using creative designs and meaningful messages to highlight the importance of caring for the nation and for one another. The activity encouraged participants to express their ideas through art and words while also fostering teamwork and active participation. Through this initiative, volunteers reflected on their role in building a safer and more responsible society, ultimately strengthening their sense of responsibility, community spirit, and national pride.

Safety Campaign : Poem & Song

Event Description: Volunteers composed poems and songs to express their feelings of patriotism and to spread awareness about the importance of safety in society. Through thoughtful lyrics, rhythmic verses, and meaningful words, they conveyed messages about love for the nation, unity among citizens, and the need to remain responsible and alert in everyday life. The activity provided a creative platform for participants to share their ideas and emotions through artistic expression, allowing them to connect with national values in a deeper way. At the same time, it encouraged reflection on personal responsibility and the role every individual plays in ensuring the safety and well-being of the community, ultimately strengthening a sense of national pride and collective duty.

Safety Campaign : #SafteyStartsWithME

Event Description: Volunteers participated in the #SafetyStartsWithMe selfie campaign, where they shared selfies along with meaningful messages promoting safety awareness. Through this initiative, participants highlighted the importance of taking personal responsibility for safety in everyday situations and encouraged others to be more mindful of their actions. By sharing their messages, volunteers helped spread awareness among peers and the wider community about adopting safe practices in daily life. The activity not only fostered a sense of individual accountability but also inspired others to actively contribute to creating a safer and more responsible society.

Safety Campaign : Awareness Quiz

Event Description: The awareness quiz engaged participants in testing and expanding their knowledge about patriotism and safety through a series of thoughtful and informative questions. The activity encouraged individuals to think critically about national values, civic duties, and the importance of maintaining safety in everyday life. By participating in the quiz, volunteers were able to learn new information while also reflecting on their responsibilities as members of society. The interactive nature of the activity made learning enjoyable and meaningful, ultimately promoting awareness, strengthening understanding, and fostering a deeper sense of responsibility toward the community.

World Environment Day Awareness Seminar

Event Description: An awareness session was held on World Environment Day to educate participants about pressing environmental challenges and the importance of adopting sustainable practices in daily life. The session highlighted key issues such as pollution, climate change, and the depletion of natural resources, while also emphasizing practical steps individuals can take to reduce their environmental impact. Through informative discussions and engaging interactions, participants gained a deeper understanding of the need to protect and preserve the natural world. The activity encouraged responsible actions and inspired attendees to develop a lasting commitment toward caring for the environment and contributing to a more sustainable future.

Building Inclusive Workshop

Event Description: On 12th July 2025, NSS volunteers attended a thought provoking session on “Building Inclusive Workplaces”, aimed at fostering awareness about diversity, equity, and inclusion in professional space. The session highlighted the importance of creating environments where everyone- regardless of gender, background, or ability-feels respected, valued, and heard. Through real-life examples, interactive discussions, and open conversation, volunteers gained insight into how they can contribute to a more inclusive future as students and future professionals. It was more than just a session-it was a step toward becoming empathetic leaders in tomorrow’s world of work.

Awareness Session on Security Market

Event Description: On 16th July 2025, NSS volunteers, in collaboration with the NCC unit of our college, attended an engaging workshop on "Awareness in Security Market" aimed at introducing students to the world of finance and investments. For many of us, terms like stocks and securities felt intimidating-but the session broke it all down in a way that was easy to understand and incredibly relevant. We explored how markets function, the importance of financial planning, and how young people can start building a financially informed future. It was more than a workshop-it was a powerful step towards becoming financially aware and responsible citizens. Learning together with our NCC peers made the experience even more impactful.

Kargil Vijay Divas

Event Description: On 26th July 2025, The NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College observed Kargil Vijay Diwas to honour the victory of the Kargil War. A guest speaker joined us and shared stories about the war and the courage of our soldiers. Their words inspired everyone present. As a mark of respect, our Principal and Vice Principal offered flowers to the photo of the soldiers who sacrificed their lives for the country.

Hiroshima Peace Day (Poster Making)

Event Description: Our volunteers organized a poster making activity on Hiroshima Peace Day to spread awareness about the importance of peace, humanity, and the need to prevent nuclear war. Through this activity, students expressed their thoughts and perspectives creatively by designing posters that highlighted the devastating consequences of war and the value of unity and compassion. The initiative encouraged participants to reflect on historical events and understand the significance of maintaining peace in the world. By combining artistic expression with meaningful messages, the activity helped promote awareness, inspire

thoughtful discussion, and encourage students to support the ideals of global harmony and peaceful coexistence.

Friendship Day

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College collaborated with Akshara Centre to celebrate Friendship Day on 8th August 2025 with the theme “Rewriting Friendships, Rewriting Society.” Students from the Youth for Change program gathered at Savitribai Phule Gender Resource Centre to discuss how friendships can drive social change, promoting inclusivity, meaningful bonds, and challenging stereotypes in line with the values of NSS and Akshara Centre.

Rakhi with Khakhi

Event Description: On the occasion of Raksha Bandhan, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College celebrated Rakhi with Khaki at Matunga Police Station on 9th August 2025. Students tied heartfelt rakhis to our brave police personnel, expressing gratitude for their dedication and protection of the community. This initiative strengthened bonds of respect, trust, and appreciation between the youth and those who serve, reflecting the spirit of care and unity at the heart of Podar NSS.

Street Play performance (Nasha Mukti)

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College organized a Street Play on Nasha Mukti (Addiction Awareness) on 14th August 2025 near Maheshwari Udyan. Through powerful performances, our volunteers spread awareness about the harmful effects of addiction and inspired the community to choose a healthier, addiction-free lifestyle.This impactful initiative combined creativity, social responsibility, and youth leadership, reflecting Podar NSS's dedication to building a stronger, healthier society.

Flash Mob on Independence Day

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R.A.Podar College proudly participated in Independence Day celebration on 15th August 2025 with vibrant energy and patriotic spirit. The day began with a flag hosting ceremony led by our respected Principal Ma’am at the college auditorium. Volunteers then performed a patriotic dance and joined the community with a flash mob at Matunga Railway Station, spreading the message of unity and freedom. The celebration also featured inspiring speeches by guest speakers, motivating students to carry forward the legacy of our freedom fighters and contribute towards nation-building. Through these efforts, Podar NSS volunteers displayed discipline, creativity, and love for the nation, making the day truly memorable.

Nutrition Week Quiz

Event Description: As part of Nutrition Week 2025, the NSS Unit organized a Nutrition Awareness Quiz to educate and engage volunteers on the importance of health, balanced diets, and nutrition. Volunteers actively participated by submitting the quiz form, showcasing their knowledge and understanding of healthy lifestyle practices. The activity successfully promoted awareness about nutrition and encouraged participants to adopt healthier habits.

Leadership & Gender Sensitivity Workshop

Event Description: From 21st to 24th August 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College attended the Yuva Sansad Workshop organized by MAVA (Men Against Violence and Abuse)

at Dadar Matunga Cultural Hall. The 4-day workshop focused on gender equality, healthy relationships, leadership development, and breaking stereotypes, with insightful sessions by expert facilitators. Our volunteers actively participated, shared their perspectives, and gained valuable insights to become change-makers in building a safer and more inclusive society.

World Without War Seminar

Event Description: On 9th September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College organized a seminar on World Without War in collaboration with the NSS Unit of Ruia College. The seminar focused on peace, unity, and the importance of building a world free from violence and conflict. Expert speakers shared their insights, and students actively participated in discussions to spread awareness about harmony and coexistence. It was an inspiring session that encouraged us to become responsible citizens and work together for a peaceful tomorrow .

Road Safety Seminar

Event Description: On 11th September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College organized a seminar "Two Wheels, One Life - A Safe Riding Training Session" in collaboration with United Way Mumbai. The session focused on safe two-wheeler riding, road discipline, and the importance of responsible driving . Volunteers and students learned valuable skills through interactive training and also received an E-certificate from United Way Mumbai. It was an engaging and informative program that reminded us all - One Life, Ride It Right

Cyber Security (Essay Writing)

Event Description: On 13th September 2025, the NSS Unit successfully conducted an Essay Writing Competition on the theme “Cyber Security – Stay Safe, Stay Smart!”. The competition aimed to raise awareness among students about online safety, responsible internet use, and data privacy. Participants submitted their essays through the online drive, with an offline submission option on 15th September. The activity encouraged volunteers to express their ideas creatively and reflect on the importance of cybersecurity in today’s digital world. The competition was a meaningful way to engage students in critical thinking about digital safety while promoting responsible online behavior.

Student Cancer Awareness Session (Day1)

Event Description: On 17th and 18th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics actively participated in a Cancer Awareness Session aimed at spreading knowledge about cancer prevention, early detection, and the importance of a healthy lifestyle. The session was graced by the presence of our respected Principal Ma'am, whose encouragement and support added great value to the initiative. Informative discussions helped sensitize students about symptoms, risk factors, and the significance of timely medical intervention. It was an impactful awareness programme that reinforced the role of youth in promoting health consciousness and social responsibility.

MAVA Theatre Workshop

Event Description: From 25th to 29th November 2025, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics actively participated in a 5-day intensive Theatre Workshop held at Bhavan's College, Chowpatty. Led by renowned theatre practitioner Neha Singh, the workshop offered hands-on training in acting, movement, voice modulation, and improvisation. Over five immersive days, volunteers collaborated to co-create an original play, culminating in a powerful final performance. The experience enhanced confidence, creativity, teamwork, and self-expression, making it a truly enriching journey for every participant.

26/11 Seminar

Event Description: On 26th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics organized a Constitution Day Seminar, organized to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India.

The seminar highlighted the core values of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity, while creating awareness about constitutional rights, duties, and democratic responsibilities among students.
It was an informative and thought-provoking session that strengthened constitutional awareness and encouraged youth to uphold the ideals of the nation

Thalassemia Awareness Session
Event Description: On 4th December 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics, in collaboration with Marrow Donor Registry India, successfully organized a Stem Cell Donation Drive on campus. The initiative aimed to create awareness about stem cell donation and encourage students to register as potential donors, highlighting how a simple step can help save lives. The drive was an inspiring experience that reinforced values of compassion, social responsibility, and community service among volunteers and participants.

UTTUNG 2026
Event Description: The NSS Unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) organized its annual intercollegiate NSS fest UTTUNG 2025–26 on 17th January 2026, based on the theme "Youth in Nation Building" with the motto "युवोत्कष': युवा शNT 7ाष्ट्रस्य आeा7:". The fest witnessed enthusiastic participation from more than ten colleges across Mumbai. Various competitions such as Street Play, Dance, Singing, Youth Parliament, Mono Act, Escape Room, Short Film, and One Colour Painting were conducted, along with a 3D Model Making activity on "India Vision 2047." The event began with an inaugural ceremony and concluded with a prize distribution, successfully promoting youth leadership, creativity, and social responsibility among students.

Marathi Bhasha Din Quiz
Event Description: On 27th February 2025, the NSS Unit organized a Marathi Bhasha Divas Quiz to celebrate the richness of the Marathi language and culture. The quiz aimed to enhance students' knowledge of Marathi literature, history, and heritage while fostering pride in regional language and identity. Volunteers actively participated, showcasing their awareness and enthusiasm for the Marathi language. The activity successfully promoted learning, engagement, and cultural appreciation among participants.

Reel Making on Marathi Din
Event Description: The NSS Unit organized a Reel Making Activity to encourage students to express creativity, awareness, and social messages through short video content. Participants showcased their innovative ideas, storytelling skills, and digital media proficiency by creating engaging reels on meaningful themes. The activity successfully enhanced digital literacy, teamwork, and creative expression among volunteers, while promoting the use of social media for positive impact.

Barhanpur Perepatil seminar
Event Description: Sowing the Seeds of Knowledge – 3rd March 2026

On 3rd March, our NSS volunteers actively participated in an enriching seminar on agriculture held at Barhanpur. The session focused on sustainable farming practices, innovative agricultural techniques, and strategies for rural development. Volunteers engaged with experts, gained practical insights, and explored ways to contribute to a greener, more sustainable future. This experience inspired our team to cultivate knowledge alongside nature, reinforcing the spirit of community service and environmental stewardship.

Rakhi to Soldiers
Event Description: This Raksha Bandhan, our NSS volunteers celebrated the festival by expressing love and gratitude to the brave soldiers protecting our nation. They wrote

heartfelt letters filled with respect, warm wishes, and appreciation for the sacrifices of our armed forces.
These letters were sent to soldiers guarding our borders, carrying the spirit and emotions of Podar NSS. Through this thoughtful gesture, we tied bonds of care, respect, and gratitude with the real protectors of our nation, making Raksha Bandhan truly meaningful.

Barhanpur 1st Visit: Gramodgati Initiative

Event Description: On 18th September, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College carried out meaningful activities under the Gramodgati initiative in our adopted village, Barhanpur. As part of this rural development drive, volunteers engaged in a Campus Cleanliness Drive, Tree Plantation, and HIV/AIDS Awareness & Pamphlet Distribution. They also put up awareness posters across the village to spread important messages on health, hygiene, and social responsibility. The day was truly inspiring, reflecting the spirit of community service and sustainable development, motivating youth to make a more aware society.

Our Volunteers Cleaning, Planting Trees & Spreading Awareness

NSS Foundation Day and Food Donation

Event Description: On 24th September, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College celebrated NSS Foundation Day with energy, creativity, and a spirit of service. Volunteers decorated the NSS room and set up a special selfie stand to capture fun moments of the day. The celebration also emphasized giving back to the community. Volunteers organized a food donation drive in the nearby college area, spreading kindness and support to those in need. The day was marked by joy, teamwork, and social service, truly reflecting the core values of NSS. It was a memorable way to honor the foundation day while making a positive impact on society

Our Volunteers conducting Food Donation Drive

Diya Donation Activity (Barhanpur 2nd Visit)
Event Description: On 18th October 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College visited the adopted village, Barhanpur, for a Diya Donation and Tree Care Drive. Volunteers distributed hand-painted diyas to villagers, spreading light and positivity for the festive season. They also nurtured and maintained trees planted under the Gramodgati initiative, promoting environmental care. The activity fostered community bonding while highlighting sustainability, reflecting the true spirit of NSS.

Our Volunteers donating Diya's & Nurtured the Plants

Universal Children's Day (Barhanpur 3rd Visit)
Event Description: On 20th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College

organized a heartwarming Stationery Donation Drive in its adopted village, Barhanpur, reaching out to three local schools. Volunteers distributed notebooks, pencils, chocolates, and other essential learning materials to the students, aiming to support their educational journey and inspire a love for learning. The initiative not only brought joy and motivation to young learners but also instilled a strong sense of social responsibility among the volunteers. A small step, yet a meaningful stride towards empowering education and creating equal opportunities.

Our Volunteers conducting Stationery & Eatables Donation for our adopted village's School Children with Various fun activities

Barhanpur 4th Visit (Community Survey & Green Care)
Event Description: On 19th December 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College conducted its 4th visit to the adopted village, Barhanpur, focusing on a Community Survey and Green Care Activity. Volunteers engaged with villagers to understand community needs, while also caring for the environment by maintaining and nurturing existing greenery. The visit strengthened the bond between the college and the village, promoting sustainable practices and community awareness.

Our Volunteers conducted Community survey & Green care activity maintaining & nurturing the environment around

(Barhanpur 5th Visit) Book Reading Activity
Event Description: Book Reading Activity – 7th March 2026

On 7th March 2026, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College conducted a Book Reading Activity at Parhadpada School in Burhanpur. Volunteers spent quality time reading to the students, fostering a love for literature and encouraging curiosity and learning. The activity aimed to inspire young minds, enhance reading habits, and create an engaging educational experience for the children

Our volunteers conducted book reading activity to spread knowledge among children and also shared various fun stories

SYBCOM

Event Description: The NSS unit of R. A. Podar of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) actively participated in the S.Y. BCOM Orientation, warmly guiding students and helping them to navigate their academic journey. Through their efforts, they fostered a welcoming environment filled with support, unity, and the true spirit of service.

Ahilyabai Holkar

Event Description: The NSS unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) took part in the Ahilyaa bai Holkar Seminar, paying tribute to the legacy of a visionary leader who empowered generations. With dedication and grace, they helped organize and manage the event, spreading awareness about her inspiring life and fostering a spirit of knowledge, strength, and service.

Annual Prize Distribution

Event Description: The NSS unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) enthusiastically contributed to the Annual Prize Distribution Ceremony, celebrating the achievements of our talented students. With their dedicated efforts, they ensured smooth coordination and added to the spirit of recognition, unity, and service.

Career Exploration

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) actively participated in the Career Exploration Summit, a dynamic informed career choices and future opportunities. Volunteers reflected the core values of awareness, service, and empowerment by assisting in event coordination, engaging with experts, and supporting fellow students in navigating career pathways.

Event Description: From 16th to 18th June, volunteers from the National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics volunteered at the Infosys Internship Programme. They assisted in managing registrations, guiding participants, and supporting the smooth conduct of sessions. The experience helped volunteers enhance their teamwork, communication, and event management skills. It also provided valuable exposure to a professional and corporate learning environment.

FYBCOM Orientation

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R.A. Podar college actively participated in the FYBCOM

Orientation Programme held on 23rd and 24th June 2025. During the two-day event, NSS volunteers contributed their support in organizing and managing various aspects of the program, ensuring smooth coordination and welcoming the incoming batch of students. From guiding new students to assisting faculty and maintaining discipline, volunteers played a key role in creating a positive first impression of college life.

"Udyami Bharat, Badalta Bharat - From Vision to Venture"

Event Description: On 27th June 2025, NSS unit in collaboration with NCC unit attended an inspiring entrepreneurial session titled "Udyami Bharat, Badalta Bharat - From Vision to Venture" held at Classroom F2.The guest speaker, Mr. Mann Anand Shah, founder of Money light Creations and alumnus of R.A. Podar College, shared his journey from being a student full of self-doubt to becoming a globally successful entrepreneur in the premium lighting industry. Through his story, volunteers gained valuable insights into the spirit of self-reliance, innovation, and youth-driven change-key pillars of Udyami Bharat. The session encouraged students to dream big, take initiative, and become changemakers of tomorrow

SYNSS UNIT MEET

Event Description: On 28th June, the NSS Unit conducted a short meeting with the Second Year (SY) volunteers to brief them about the upcoming activities and responsibilities within the unit. The meeting aimed to guide volunteers about the objectives of NSS and encourage their active participation in various social initiatives. It also provided a platform for interaction, where volunteers could share their ideas and understand the importance of teamwork and community service, creating a motivated and collaborative environment.

NSS ENROLMENT DESK

Event Description: From 2nd to 8th July 2025, NSS volunteers set up and managed the NSS Enrolment Desk at the college front area to guide and assist new students in the registration process .Volunteers actively interacted with incoming students, explained the vision and activities of NSS, and helped them understand the value of social service and community engagement. Their efforts ensured a smooth and welcoming experience for all interested candidates. The desk served as a bridge between curiosity and commitment-motivating students to become part of a movement dedicated to service, leadership, and nation-building.

Guru Pornima

Event Description: On 10th July 2025, the NSS unit of our college celebrated Guru Purnima to honour and express gratitude towards all the guiding lights in our lives-our teachers, mentors, and gurus. Volunteers participated in the celebration by preparing heartfelt messages, greeting cards, flowers, chocolate and helping in organizing the tribute ceremony. The event reflected the deep-rooted cultural value of respecting knowledge and those who impart it. It was a day filled with reverence, reflection, and recognition of the role mentors play in shaping responsible, value-driven individuals

Rakhi

Event Description: From 31st July to 5th Aug, Our NSS Unit set up a Rakhi Stall outside the NSS room featuring handcrafted Rakhi's and accessories made by Divyang students from Malad's Vocational Training Center. Our NSS volunteers, faculties, and students came together to celebrate Raksha Bandhan with compassion, care and community spirit.

JC Crowd Management

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R. A. Podar College actively took charge of crowd management on the first day of Junior College sessions held on 11th & 12th August 2025. Our dedicated volunteers ensured a safe, smooth, and organized environment, guiding students and parents across the campus and helping them settle into their new academic journey.This initiative showcased discipline, teamwork, and leadership while creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere for all.

Our NSS volunteers helped out JC students with their 1st Day of College

Independence Day Celebration

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College proudly participated in Independence Day celebrations on 15th August 2025 with vibrant energy and patriotic spirit. The day began with a flag hosting ceremony led by our respected Principal Ma'am at the college auditorium. Volunteers then performed a patriotic dance and joined the community with a flash mob at Matunga Railway Station, spreading the message of unity and freedom. The celebration also featured inspiring speeches by guest speakers, motivating students to carry forward the legacy of our freedom fighters and contribute towards nation-building. Through these efforts, podar NSS volunteers displayed discipline, creativity, and love for the nation, making the day truly memorable.

Our Volunteers attended Independence day flag hoisting of our college & Also performed a streetplay

Teacher's Day Celebration

Event Description: On 5th September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College celebrated Teachers' Day with love and gratitude. Our volunteers prepared a handmade standee where students wrote heartfelt messages on colourful sticky notes. Teachers signed the standee and were welcomed with flowers and chocolates as a token of respect. It was a warm and joyful celebration to thank our teachers for their guidance, support, and inspiration.

Diya Decoration

Event Description: On 22nd and 23rd September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College organized a Diya Painting Activity on campus. Volunteers painted small, medium, and large diyas, showcasing creativity and teamwork in preparation for the upcoming Diya Donation Drive. The activity aimed to spread festive joy and promote sustainable celebrations through handmade art.

Aadhar Correction and Revenue Services

Event Description: On 23rd September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College organized an Aadhar Correction & Revenue Services Camp on campus. The camp was held with government help so everyone could get important documents easily. Students, teachers, and staff used services like Aadhar updates, caste and income certificates, senior citizen certificates, and more. Volunteers helped everyone through the process to make it smooth and easy. The camp helped people get their documents without hassle and showed how NSS works for the college and the community. It was a great way to support students and staff while serving society.

Aadhar Correction & Revenue Services Camp was successfully organized & Managed by our NSS Volunteers

SS Orientation

Event Description: On 26th September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College conducted its official NSS Orientation for the academic year. The session aimed to welcome new volunteers and help them understand the vision, mission, and activities of NSS. Volunteers learned about the importance of social service, upcoming projects, and how NSS helps in building leadership, teamwork, and community values. We also gave a token of appreciation to the volunteers who showed active participation in activities. The orientation marked a great start to another year of service and dedication. It inspired students to take part in social initiatives and contribute towards positive change in society.

International Conference Volunteers

Event Description: On 27th September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College took part in the 1-Day International Conference held in the college auditorium. The event brought together students, professors, and experts to share knowledge and ideas on global topics. Volunteers helped in organizing and managing the conference smoothly. From welcoming guests to maintaining discipline and coordination, NSS

volunteers played an important role in making the event successful. The conference provided a great learning experience and exposure to international perspectives. It was a proud moment for the NSS Unit to contribute to such an inspiring academic event.

Diya Stall

Event Description: On 14th-15th October 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College organized a Diya Stall on campus as part of its festive initiative. Volunteers hand-painted beautiful diyas of various sizes and sold them within the college premises, promoting creativity, sustainability, and the spirit of giving. The activity aimed to encourage handmade art and raise awareness about celebrating festivals in an eco-friendly way.

Vande Mataram Singing

Event Description: On 7th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College celebrated the 150th anniversary of the iconic national song Vande Mataram with a special Mass Singing session organized in the R.A. Podar College Auditorium. The event was conducted under the guidance of our Principal Ma'am, bringing together volunteers in a powerful display of unity, patriotism, and cultural pride. Students sang Vande Mataram in harmony, experiencing the song's timeless significance and connecting deeply with India's rich heritage. It was an inspiring celebration that strengthened the values of national identity, community participation, and youth-led cultural revival.

SYBCOM Orientation

Event Description: On 15th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College actively assisted during

the college Open House, helping ensure smooth coordination throughout the event. NSS volunteers guided parents and students to their respective classrooms, supported teachers with session arrangements, and maintained discipline to facilitate a well-organized and welcoming environment. The activity helped volunteers develop communication skills, responsibility, and teamwork while contributing to the efficient functioning of the Open House.

Staff Cancer Screening

Event Description: On 17th and 18th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics actively participated in a Cancer Awareness Session aimed at spreading knowledge about cancer prevention, early detection, and the importance of a healthy lifestyle. The session was graced by the presence of our respected Principal Ma'am, whose encouragement and support added great value to the initiative. Informative discussions helped sensitize students about symptoms, risk factors, and the significance of timely medical intervention. It was an impactful awareness programme that reinforced the role of youth in promoting health consciousness and social responsibility.

NSS Unit Meet

Event Description: On 25th November, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics conducted an offline NSS meet with the volunteers. The meeting focused on discussing upcoming activities, planning events, and strengthening coordination among the team. It provided an opportunity for volunteers to interact, share ideas, and stay motivated towards community service and NSS initiatives.

Constitution Day Seminar

Event Description: On 26th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics organized a Constitution Day Seminar, organized to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. The seminar highlighted the core values of justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity, while creating awareness about constitutional rights, duties, and democratic responsibilities among students. It was an informative and thought-provoking session that strengthened constitutional awareness and encouraged youth to uphold the ideals of the nation.

FYBCOM Open Day

Event Description: Volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics actively participated in the FYBCOM Open Day, assisting in the smooth conduct of the programme. The volunteers guided students and parents, managed coordination, and supported various activities, ensuring an organized and welcoming experience for all attendees. The activity provided volunteers with hands-on exposure to teamwork, leadership, and responsible volunteering within an academic setting.

NSS Unit Meet

Event Description: On 2nd January 2026, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics conducted a Unit Meet to brief volunteers about the upcoming UTTUNG Residential Camp and other planned NSS activities. The meeting served as a platform for discussion, planning, and coordination among volunteers and coordinators. Important instructions, roles, and responsibilities related to the camp and upcoming initiatives were shared. The session encouraged active participation and strengthened the volunteers' enthusiasm and commitment towards NSS activities.

Voter's Pledge of My India My Vote

Event Description: On 23rd January 2026, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in the Voter's Pledge ceremony at Wadala. Standing together, we took a collective oath to uphold the values of democracy and exercise our right to vote responsibly. The pledge was a reminder that every vote matters and that youth participation plays a powerful role in shaping the nation's future. A proud and meaningful moment that strengthened our commitment towards active and responsible citizenship.

College Sports Day

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active and responsible citizenship.

Republic Day Flag Hoisting

Event Description: On the occasion of the 77th Republic Day, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics proudly participated in the celebration held at the college campus. The day began with the flag hoisting ceremony, followed by patriotic performances and inspiring words that reminded us of the values enshrined in our Constitution - justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity. The celebration was not just about honoring the nation's history, but also about reaffirming our responsibility as youth to contribute towards a stronger and more united India. A proud and patriotic moment for every NSS volunteer.

Martyr's Day

Event Description: On 30th January, the NSS Unit observed Martyrs' Day by holding a 2-minute silent stand to pay tribute to the brave martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the nation. Volunteers and students gathered with respect and gratitude to remember their courage and dedication. The moment of silence created an atmosphere of reflection and patriotism. It reminded everyone of the importance of unity, peace, and service towards the country

Marathi Bhasha Gaurav

Event Description: The NSS unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) celebrating the richness, pride, and cultural legacy of the Marathi language on Marathi Bhasha Gaurav Din. Let's honour the language that echoes the soul of Maharashtra.

Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament Online Meet

Event Description: NSS volunteers were informed about Vikshit Bharat Yuva Parliament 2025 through important informational videos shared by the unit. The videos explained the application process, objectives, and significance of youth participation in democratic discussions. Volunteers were encouraged to watch the videos carefully and further share the information with other NSS volunteers to spread awareness about the initiative.

Bihar Diwas

Event Description: The NSS unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) attended Bihar Diwas, a seminar showcasing the rich culture, heritage, and values of Bihar. Volunteers highlighted themes of unity, knowledge, and service through creative expressions and awareness efforts.

Jai Bhim Padyatra

Event Description: The NSS unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) actively participated in the Jay Bhim Padayatra to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar. Volunteers proudly upheld the values of equality, unity, and social justice walking in solidarity, spreading awareness, and engaging with the community. The event reflected the spirit of Ambedkar's legacy and the commitment of NSS towards building an inclusive society.

Air Raid Mock Drill

Event Description: The NSS unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) actively participated in the Air Raid Crisis Mock Drill, an impactful simulation aimed at raising awareness and preparedness for emergency response during critical situations. Volunteers embodied the spirit of discipline, awareness, and service by assisting in drill coordination, guiding participants, and learning essential crisis management protocols to ensure community safety and resilience.

Blood Donation of Lala College

Event Description: On 13th May 2025, a Blood Donation Drive was organized by Lala Lajpatrai College of Commerce and Economics at Dadar Railway Station. Volunteers from the R.A. Podar College NSS Unit actively participated in the drive and contributed to the smooth conduct of the activity. The volunteers assisted in managing the crowd, guiding donors, and spreading awareness about the importance of blood donation. The activity aimed to promote social responsibility and encourage people to contribute towards saving lives through voluntary blood donation.

Inauguration Ceremony at University

Event Description: On May 27, Our NSS unit had the honour of being part of the Veer Savarkar Research Centre Inaugurations, a Proud moment dedicated to commemorating the legacy of a fearless revolutionary and a true patriot. Volunteers actively participated in the ceremony and explored the life and contributions of Veer Savarkar through interactions, guided tours, and discussions – igniting a deeper sense of nationalism and historical awareness.

Ahilyabai Holkar Book Publication

Event Description: On 28th May, an event was held at Nariman Point to celebrate the publication of Ahilyabai Holkar's book. The occasion brought together readers, dignitaries, and volunteers to honor her work and promote literary engagement, fostering a deeper appreciation for cultural and historical contributions

Vikas One Day Conference

Event Description: On 6th June, Our NSS Volunteers actively participated in the VIKAS One Day Conference, a knowledge- drive initiative aimed at empowering youth through insightful discussions on social development, leadership, and community engagement. The conference served as a platform for volunteers to interact with experts, exchange ideas, and gain valuable perspectives on sustainable development and nation-building. It fostered a deeper understanding of the role of youth in shaping a progressive society.

International Yoga Celebration

Event Description: On the occasion of 16th International Day of Yoga, an early morning Yoga Session was organized on 21st June 2025, From 6:30 AM onward, in alignment with the Ministry of Ayush's nationwide initiative. The session witnessed enthusiastic participation from NSS volunteers, who came together to promote the importance of physical, mental, and spiritual well-being through the practice of yoga. The session followed the Common Yoga Protocol and aimed to instil discipline, balance, and mindfulness among the participant

Book Discussion

Event Description: On 24th June 2025, Our NSS Volunteers had the wonderful opportunity to attend a Book Discussion Seminar at University Fort. It was more than just a seminar- it was a space filled with ideas, reflections, and meaningful conversations. From listening to diverse viewpoints to sharing their own thoughts, our volunteers walked away inspired and more connected to the world of literature and critical thinking.

NSPC Ecomitram

Event Description: NSS volunteers were encouraged to participate in National Students Paryavaran Competition 2025 organized under the initiative of the Ministry of Education, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, and Paryavaran Sanrakshan Gatividhi. Volunteers registered through the Ecomitram App, completed environmental activities, and answered quiz questions related to environmental awareness. The activity aimed to promote environmental responsibility and increase awareness about sustainable practices among students.

Nasha Mukti Yuva Quiz

Event Description: NSS volunteers participated in the Quiz on Nasha Mukt Yuva for Viksit Bharat conducted through the MyGov India platform. The quiz aimed to spread awareness about the harmful effects of drug addiction and promote the vision of a drug-free India. Volunteers actively completed the quiz and gained knowledge about building a healthy and responsible youth community for a Viksit Bharat.

Prize Distribution Ceremony Youth Festival

Event Description: The 57th Inter-collegiate/ Institute/ Department Youth Festival culminated with a grand Prize Distribution Ceremony organized by the University of Mumbai, Department of Student's Development. The festival included music, dance, theatre, literature, and fine arts- showing the amazing

talent of youth. Our NSS volunteers also joined the program and celebrated the spirit of creativity, culture, and togetherness. It was a proud moment to see young energy and talent being rewarded.

Hiroshima Peace Rally

Event Description: Hiroshima Peace Day Rally on 6th August 2025, the NSS Unit of R. A. Podar College participated in a Peace Rally at Azaadi Maidan, remembering the victims of the Hiroshima tragedy and spreading the message of peace, unity and a nuclear free word. With banners, placards, and strong voices, our volunteers joined hands to raise awareness on the importance of harmony, non-violence, and a collective responsibility towards a safer future. Through this rally, we stood together to remind the world that peace is the only path forward.

August Kranti Din Rally

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R. A. Podar College participated in the Prabhat Pheri which started from August Kranti Maidan to Indian Vidya Bhavan to honor known and unknown martyrs who sacrificed for India's independence. Students came together to keep the flame of patriotism alive and pay tribute to the brave souls who shaped our nation. Through this morning procession, the gathering celebrated courage, sacrifice, and the spirit of unity, reflecting the values of both NSS volunteers and the State's cultural initiatives.

Ganesh Utsav Management

Event Description: On 31st August and 2nd September 2025, our NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College helped in managing the Ganpati Visarjan crowd at Nana Chowk. Volunteers worked with the police and local team to guide people, maintain safety, and keep the celebrations smooth. It was a great experience of teamwork, responsibility, and serving the community during the festival

Cyber Security (Digital Poster Making)

Event Description: On 5th September, NSS volunteers participated in an online Digital Poster Making Activity based on the theme "Cyber Security – Stay Safe, Stay Smart." The activity encouraged volunteers to creatively spread awareness about online safety, responsible internet usage, and protection from cyber threats. Through their posters, volunteers highlighted the importance of digital security and promoted safe online practices among students and the community.

Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue Quiz

Event Description: NSS volunteers participated in the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue Quiz 2026 organized through the MyGov India platform. The activity encouraged students to test their knowledge, share ideas, and contribute towards the vision of Viksit Bharat. Through this quiz, volunteers enhanced their awareness of national development and youth leadership initiatives.

Beach Cleaning With Bmi

Event Description: On 20th September 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College participated in a Beach Cleanup Drive at Silver Beach, Juhu, in collaboration with Bhoomi NGO and VFS Global, on International Coastal Cleanup Day. Volunteers enthusiastically joined hands to remove plastic waste and litter, contributing to the preservation of our marine ecosystem. The drive emphasized the importance of environmental conservation, responsible waste disposal, and collective action for a cleaner coastline. Together, we took one step closer to protecting our oceans and creating a sustainable future.

College Clean Up Activity (Swachha Tha He Seva Hai)

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College organized a Swachata He Seva Drive on campus, where volunteers actively participated in keeping the college clean and green. Volunteers cleaned classrooms, corridors, and other areas, showing teamwork and dedication to maintain a hygienic campus environment. Their efforts made the college look neat and welcoming for everyone. The drive promoted awareness about cleanliness and the importance of caring for our surroundings. It was a wonderful way for NSS volunteers to serve the college and set an example of social responsibility.

Rally on Aamhi Chalto Nasha Mukti Sathi and Bhajan Seva

Event Description: On 1st October 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College participated in the De-Addiction Rally and Bhajan Sadhya Program held at Azadi Maidan, Mumbai. The event aimed to spread awareness about the harmful effects of addiction and promote a healthy, positive lifestyle. Volunteers

joined the rally with banners and slogans encouraging people to stay away from drugs and alcohol. Later, they took part in the Bhajan Sadhya program, which spread messages of peace, harmony, and social responsibility through music and devotion. The activity was a meaningful blend of awareness and culture. It inspired everyone to work together for a drug-free and healthy society while reflecting the true spirit of NSS.

India Maritime Week

Event Description: On 27th October 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College visited the Maritime Exhibition held at NESCO, Goregaon, as part of India Maritime Week 2025. The visit provided volunteers with valuable insights into India's maritime heritage, naval innovations, and the country's growing role in global trade and sustainability. It was an enriching educational experience that inspired students to appreciate the importance of the maritime sector in national development and environmental preservation.

Run for Unity

Event Description: On 31st October 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in the National Unity Run organized by the Matunga Police Station to mark the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and celebrate Rashtriya Ekta Diwas.
NSS volunteers enthusiastically joined the run to spread the message of unity, integrity, and national pride. The activity encouraged youth participation and highlighted the importance of standing together as one nation.

Viksit Bharat Quiz 2025

Event Description: NSS volunteers participated in the Viksit Bharat Quiz 2026 conducted through the MY Bharat youth platform. The quiz encouraged students to enhance their knowledge about India's development goals and the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047. Through this activity, volunteers actively contributed towards nation-building by learning about leadership, governance, and national progress initiatives.

Online Session On Vigilance: Our Shared Responsibility

Event Description: An online awareness session on "Vigilance: Our Shared Responsibility" was conducted on 3rd November 2025 at 4:00 PM through Zoom. NSS volunteers attended the session to understand the importance of vigilance, transparency, and ethical responsibility in society. The session aimed to encourage youth to actively promote honesty, accountability, and integrity in their personal and professional lives.

Mass Singing Vande Matram

Event Description: On 7th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College participated in the grand Mass Singing of Vande Mataram held at the University Sports Pavilion, University of Mumbai, to commemorate 150 glorious years of the iconic national song. The event brought together thousands of students in a powerful display of unity, patriotism, and cultural pride. Volunteers experienced the collective spirit of singing Vande Mataram in harmony, celebrating India's rich heritage and the song's timeless significance. It was an inspiring moment that strengthened the values of national identity, community participation, and youth-led cultural revival.

Orange the World 2025

Event Description: On 12th November 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College participated in the Orange the World awareness programme hosted at Lala Lajpat Rai College, focusing on the theme "Gender-Based Violence in the Digital Age – Awareness, Dialogue & Action." The session aimed to educate volunteers about the rising challenges of online harassment, cyberstalking, digital safety, and the importance of creating secure online spaces for everyone—especially women and young girls.
Through insightful discussions, expert talks, and interactive learning, volunteers gained a deeper understanding of gender-based violence, its impact, and the collective responsibility we hold in promoting dignity, safety, and equality.

Prize Distribution Ceremony

Event Description: On 14th December 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in the Prize Distribution Ceremony held at Fort. The event provided volunteers with an opportunity to witness and celebrate achievements, dedication, and excellence, while understanding the importance of recognition and encouragement in community and youth-based initiatives.It was a motivating experience that reinforced values of appreciation, leadership, and active participation in social and educational activities.

Reform In the Justice System

Event Description: On 19th November 2025, NSS volunteers attended an exhibition titled "Reforms in the Justice System – Support for Citizens" at Azad Maidan. The program was graced by Amit Shah, Hon'ble Union Home Minister, and Devendra Fadnavis, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra. The exhibition helped volunteers understand the newly introduced criminal laws and the reforms aimed at strengthening the justice system and supporting citizens.

Blood Donation at CSMT

Event Description: On 11th December 2025, the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics, in collaboration with partner organizations, successfully conducted a Blood Donation Drive at CSMT Railway Station.The drive witnessed enthusiastic participation and resulted in the collection of up to 85 units of blood, contributing significantly towards saving lives and supporting the healthcare system.The initiative highlighted the spirit of voluntary service, social responsibility, and community welfare among volunteers and donors.

Sankalp Fest (Lala College)

Event Description: On 22nd December 2025, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in the Sankalp Event at Lala Lajpatrai College. The event provided a platform for intellectual exchange and expression, where our volunteers showcased strong communication and critical thinking skills. We are proud to share that the NSS volunteer secured First Prize in the Debate Competition, bringing recognition to the unit and reinforcing the values of leadership and excellence.

Vasudev Kutumbakam Ki Oar

Event Description: On 21st January 2026, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics visited the "Vasudev Kutumbakam Ki Oar" exhibition at August Kranti Maidan, Mumbai. Launched by the Ministry of External Affairs in collaboration with the University of Mumbai, the event beautifully brought to life the idea that "The World is One Family." Walking through the exhibits on Indian wisdom and culture, interacting, observing, and ending the evening with a spectacular live drone show — it was more than just a visit. It was a reminder of unity, heritage, and our shared responsibility as youth. An experience that left us inspired, thoughtful, and proud to be part of something bigger than ourselves

Babashaeb Tackarey's Birth Centenary Program

Event Description: On 23rd January 2026, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics attended the Birth Centenary Program of Balasaheb Thackeray held at the University of Mumbai. The program commemorated his life, leadership, and contributions, while highlighting the importance of strong civic values and public engagement. A meaningful occasion that encouraged awareness, participation, and thoughtful understanding of contemporary history.

Spurthi Fest (MD Fest)

Event Description: On 3rd February 2026, the enthusiastic volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in Sphurti – the Intercollegiate Festival hosted by M.D. College of Arts, Science & Commerce. The event was a vibrant celebration of creativity, intellect, and social awareness, bringing together talented students from various colleges to compete and collaborate.

Our volunteers showcased exceptional performance across multiple categories and made the college proud with remarkable achievements.

Lakshay Fest (SIES College)

Event Description: The volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in Lakshya – the Inter-Collegiate Fest hosted by SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce. The fest was a vibrant platform that blended creativity, performance, and competitive spirit. Our volunteers showcased their versatility across cultural and sports events, reflecting teamwork, passion, and the true essence of NSS.

Clash of Minds Debate Session

Event Description: On 6th February 2026, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in the University Debate Summit held at the University of Mumbai. The summit provided a dynamic platform for young minds to express ideas, challenge perspectives, and engage in meaningful discussions on relevant social and national issues. Through thoughtful arguments and respectful dialogue, volunteers strengthened their confidence, critical thinking, and public speaking skills. An empowering experience that encouraged intellectual growth and active participation in democratic discourse

Food - Planet Health Awareness Session

Event Description: NSS volunteers attended an online awareness session on Food–Planet–Health, conducted through Zoom. The session focused on the connection between food habits, environmental sustainability, and human health. Volunteers gained valuable insights on adopting responsible food choices to promote a healthier planet and community.

Aagaaz Fest (Guru Nanak Khalsa College)

Event Description: The volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in Aagaaz – the Inter-Collegiate Fest hosted by Guru Nanak Khalsa College of Arts, Science & Commerce. Aagaaz truly lived up to its name—marking a powerful beginning filled with talent, confidence, and competitive energy. Our volunteers delivered outstanding performances across cultural and intellectual events, showcasing versatility and team spirit.

Shiv Jayanti Uttasav

Event Description: On 18th February 2026, NSS volunteers attended the grand Shiv Jayanti Utsav held at Ravindra Natya Mandir. A powerful theatrical performance beautifully portrayed the inspiring life journey of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj—highlighting his courage, leadership, vision, and unwavering dedication to Swarajya .The play captivated the audience with its impactful storytelling, strong performances, and patriotic spirit. An enriching experience that reminded us of the values of bravery, justice, and true leadership.

Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti Padyatra

Event Description: On 19th February 2026, NSS volunteers actively participated in the Shivaji Maharaj Padyatra organized on the occasion of Shiv Jayanti. The rally commenced from the University of Mumbai Central Library and concluded at the iconic Gateway of India. The padyatra was a powerful tribute to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, celebrating his legacy of bravery, leadership, and vision for Swarajya. Volunteers marched with enthusiasm, unity, and patriotic spirit, spreading awareness about his inspiring ideals. A memorable experience that strengthened our sense of history, pride, and collective responsibility.

Uttung

The National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) successfully organized its annual intercollegiate NSS fest UTTUNG 2025–26 on 17th January 2026. The fest received an enthusiastic response from students and faculty members of various colleges across Mumbai.

The theme of the fest was “Youth in Nation Building,” represented by the Sanskrit motto “युवोत्कर्ष : युवा राष्ट्रस्य आधारः”, highlighting the significant role of youth in the progress and development of the nation.

The program began at 9:00 a.m. with an inaugural ceremony that commenced with the rendition of NSS songs. The event was graced by Prof. Dr. Vinita Pimple (Principal), Kapildeo Indurkar (Vice Principal), Akshay Tinganwar (NSS Programme Officer), and Ex-NSS Volunteer Sumant More. A drape revealing ceremony was conducted in the presence of the dignitaries to mark the official commencement of the fest.

More than ten colleges participated in the fest, making it a vibrant platform for interaction and healthy competition. A total of eight events were organized, including Street Play, Dance, Singing, Youth Parliament, Mono Act, Escape Room, Short Film, and One Colour Painting.

The Youth Parliament was the flagship event of the fest, providing participants with an opportunity to discuss important national and social issues while promoting democratic values, leadership, and critical thinking. Adv. Sumant More served as the judge for this event.

Along with the competitions, a Public Relations activity in the form of 3D Model Making on the theme “India Vision 2047” was also conducted, encouraging participants to creatively present their vision for the future development of the country.

The fest concluded at 6:00 p.m. with a valedictory and prize distribution ceremony. The successful organization of UTTUNG 2025–26 was made possible through the dedication, discipline, and teamwork of the NSS volunteers under the guidance of the NSS Programme Officer and faculty members.

Overall, the event served as an excellent platform to promote youth leadership, creativity, and social responsibility, truly reflecting the spirit of the National Service Scheme.

7- Days Special/Rural Residential Camp

Village: Barhanpur, Palghar Dates: 5th January – 11th January 2026
Organized by: NSS Unit, R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous

Day 1 – Introduction and Preparation

The camp began with an Introduction Session where volunteers were briefed about the objectives and activities planned for the week. Volunteers then conducted a Cloth Segregation Activity to sort donated clothes for distribution among villagers. The day concluded with a Camp Site Cleanup, preparing the surroundings for the upcoming activities.

Day 2 – Awareness and Community Work

Volunteers organized a Rally on Water Conservation and Waste Management to spread environmental awareness in the village. A Gender Sensitization Session was conducted to promote equality and understanding. Volunteers also carried out a Stationery Donation at the local school, followed by a Vanipada Cleanliness Drive, camp site cleaning, and wall cleaning and painting at the camp site and Vanipada School.

Day 3 – Social Awareness and Cultural Activities

A rally on HIV/AIDS awareness, overpopulation, and superstition was conducted to educate villagers on important social issues. Volunteers continued camp site cleaning and wall painting activities, along with wall cleaning at Vanipada School. The day ended with a Cultural Eve, where volunteers showcased performances and interacted with the village community.

Day 4 – Health Awareness and Environment

Volunteers visited households to invite villagers for the Medical Camp. An Eco Roots Initiative was conducted to promote environmental awareness. A Thalassemia Awareness Session educated villagers about the disease and prevention. Volunteers also carried out a Well and Surroundings Cleanup along with wall painting at the camp site and Vanipada.

Day 5 – Welfare and Medical Support

The Scheme Connect Initiative was organized to inform villagers about various government welfare schemes. A Medical Camp was conducted to provide free health checkups and guidance. Volunteers also performed a Street Play to spread social awareness and distributed stationery to school students.

Day 6 – Sustainability and Community Activities

Volunteers continued the Eco Roots Initiative and executed the Healing Trees Project to encourage tree plantation. A Veterinary Camp was organized for animal healthcare.

Activities also included wall painting at Vanipada School, sanitary pad distribution, and rice mill cleaning. The day ended with Uttung activities, a Star Gazing Session, and a Campfire, strengthening team bonding.

Day 7 – Closing and Recognition

On the final day, volunteers completed wall painting at Vanipada School and organized clothes and sanitary pad donation drives. The camp was honored by the visit of NSS alumni, who shared their experiences with volunteers. The camp concluded with a Prize Distribution Ceremony, celebrating the efforts and dedication of all participants.

The 7-day camp strengthened the bond between volunteers and the community while inspiring students to continue serving society with dedication and compassion.

National Adventure Camp (NAC)

Event Description: The NSS Unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics proudly acknowledges Kaustubh Patil for representing Maharashtra at the National Adventure Camp held from 24th October to 3rd November 2025 at the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering & Allied Sports (ABVIMAS), Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh.

During the camp, he actively participated in various adventure activities, leadership exercises, and team-building challenges, demonstrating courage, discipline, and dedication as an NSS volunteer.

His achievement reflects the true spirit of NSS – “Not Me But You”, and brings immense pride to the Podar NSS Unit, inspiring fellow volunteers to participate in such national-level opportunities and represent the institution with excellence..

Avhaan Camp

The NSS Unit of R. A. Podar College of Commerce and Economics proudly acknowledges Kaustubh Patil (Second Year) for representing our college, Mumbai City District, and the University of Mumbai at the State Level NSS Camp “Avhan”, held from 17th to 24th January 2026 at Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola.

The camp focused on Disaster Management under the expert guidance of the 5th Battalion of NDRF, where volunteers received intensive practical training in emergency rescue techniques, CPR and FBAO, stretcher handling, patient assessment, flood water rescue, high-rise rescue, search and rescue operations, deceased body management, and first aid.

His participation reflects dedication, discipline, and the true spirit of NSS service and leadership, bringing pride to the Podar NSS Unit and inspiring fellow volunteers to contribute actively in community service

and disaster preparedness.

Utkarsh Camp

The NSS volunteers of R.A.Podar College Of Commerce and Economics (Autonomous) proudly participated in the Utkarsh Camp 2025–26 organized at Punyashlok Ahilyadevi Holkar Solapur University, Solapur. The camp brought together NSS volunteers from different colleges to celebrate social commitment, leadership, and youth development.

Volunteers actively engaged in various activities, interactions, and learning experiences that promoted teamwork and community service. The participation of the team reflected the spirit of dedication, unity, and pride of representing their university at a state-level platform

Leadership Training

The (NSS) unit of Lala Lajpatrai College of Commerce and Economics organized a Leadership Training Program (LTP) Camp for NSS volunteers from various colleges. Among the participants, Shubham Madhukar Shejwal attended the camp and was placed in Team Ananya, where he was selected as the Team Leader.
During the camp, Shubham actively participated in interactive sessions conducted by senior NSS leaders, Program Officers, and Area Coordinators.
Being the Team Leader of Team Ananya provided Shubham with hands-on experience in guiding a team, taking responsibility, and making important decisions. Under his leadership, the team actively engaged in all activities and won the award for "Best Team (Cultural Performance)". The camp significantly enhanced his teamwork, communication, and leadership skills while giving him a deeper understanding of NSS operations.

Sankalp

On 22nd December 2025, volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in the Sankalp Event at Lala Lajpatrai College. The event provided a platform for intellectual exchange and expression, where our volunteers showcased strong communication and critical thinking skills. We are proud to share that the NSS volunteer secured First Prize in the Debate Competition, bringing recognition to the unit and reinforcing the values of leadership and excellence.

Sphurti: M D College

On 3rd February 2026, the enthusiastic volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in Sphurti - the Intercollegiate Festival hosted by M.D. College of Arts, Science & Commerce.

Our volunteers showcased exceptional performance across multiple categories and made the college proud with remarkable achievements.

Awards Secured: 1st Prize - Poetry 1st Prize - Quiz
2nd Prize - Debate

2nd Prize - Glimpse of Sphurti 2nd Prize - Street Play
3rd Prize - Open Mic

Lakshya: SIES College of Commerce and Economics

The volunteers of the NSS Unit of R.A. Podar College of Commerce & Economics participated in Lakshya - the Inter-Collegiate Fest hosted by SIES College of Arts, Science & Commerce.

The fest was a vibrant platform that blended creativity, performance, and competitive spirit. Our volunteers showcased their versatility across cultural and sports events, reflecting teamwork, passion, and the true essence of NSS.

Awards Secured:

2nd Prize - Street Play 3rd Prize - Reel Making 3rd Prize - Sports

Aagaaz: G. N. Khalsa College

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Aagaaz Competition Prize List: 2nd Prize - Solo Dance
2nd Prize - Solo Singing 2nd Prize - Debate
2nd Prize - Street Play

This year, our NSS unit has actively participated in a wide range of initiatives—from community service, awareness drives, and environmental programs to skill-building and cultural events.

Through these activities, we have not only contributed to the welfare of our society but also developed teamwork, leadership, and a sense of social responsibility among our volunteers.

We sincerely thank our mentors, college, and the community for their support, and we look forward to continuing this journey of service, learning, and positive impact in the years to come.