

Report on the Cleanliness Drive Organized by NSS Units of Govt. Degree College Kupwara

On August 10, 2024, in the spirit of India's 78th Independence Day celebrations, the National Service Scheme (NSS) Units of Govt. Degree College Kupwara organized a remarkable cleanliness drive at Masjid Sharief Tregham and the nearby temple in Tregham, Kupwara. This event served as a powerful demonstration of communal harmony, reflecting the deep-seated respect for diversity that defines our nation.

The event was initiated under the guidance of the college's Principal, Prof. (Dr.) Ab. Rashid Malik. Before the volunteers embarked on their mission, Prof. (Dr.) Ab. Rashid Malik addressed the NSS programme officers, students, and volunteers, highlighting the significance of the event. His words underscored the importance of unity, respect, and collective effort in fostering an environment where all religious communities can coexist harmoniously.

The drive was meticulously organized by Dr. Irshad Ahmad Lone, Sr. Assistant Professor and NSS Programme Officer of Unit-I, alongside Dr. Khalid Bashir, Sr. Assistant Professor and NSS Programme Officer of Unit-II. Their leadership ensured that the event proceeded smoothly, with enthusiastic participation from students and volunteers who demonstrated a deep commitment to the cause.

The choice of venues—Masjid Sharief and the nearby temple—was a deliberate and meaningful one. These two sacred sites, standing side by side, epitomize the spirit of communal harmony that India is known for. The event was a profound expression of how religious diversity in India is a source of unity rather than division. The act of cleaning these places of worship was symbolic of the purity and mutual respect that both communities share, embodying the Indian ethos where acts of kindness and communal harmony transcend religious boundaries.



The drive also highlighted the fundamental values of politeness and respect, which are deeply ingrained in Indian culture. The volunteers performed their duties with the utmost respect for the sanctity of both religious sites, reflecting the broader Indian philosophy that every individual, regardless of religious affiliation, deserves dignity and honour. Under the guidance of their programme officers, the NSS volunteers demonstrated how service to the community can be an act of worship in itself, embodying the principles of 'Seva' (service) and 'Sadbhavana' (goodwill), which are core to the Indian way of life.



The event concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Nuzhat Jabeen, Sr. Assistant Professor of Botany, who accompanied the volunteers. In her closing remarks, Dr. Nuzhat Jabeen expressed gratitude to all participants and emphasized the importance of such initiatives in fostering a cohesive and harmonious society.



This cleanliness drive, held on the eve of India's Independence Day, stands as a shining example of how communal harmony can be nurtured through simple yet profound acts of service. It is a testament to the strength of India's unity amidst diversity, and a reminder that this unity is sustained by the unwavering respect and politeness that its people extend to one another.

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