

## **National Cadet Corps (NCC) 2019**

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National Cadet Corps is a tri-services organization, comprising the Army, Navy and Air Force, engaged in grooming the students into disciplined and patriotic citizens. It is a voluntary organization wherein cadets are recruited from diverse backgrounds and are given basic military training in small arms and parades. The NCC unit of Zakir Husain Delhi College is the heart of the 7<sup>th</sup> battalion, Delhi, Group "C". The College unit consists a total of 160 cadets and is one of the highest strength holding college units in the entire University of Delhi. The NCC unit functions under the guidance and commendable leadership of Capt. (Dr.) M.M.Raheman, Associate NCC Officer, Zakir Husain Delhi College. In the academic session 2018-2019, the cadets attended various local and national events. Six of our candidates participated in the Republic Day camp. Six cadets including Junior Under Officer (JUO) Saurabh, Cadet Gaurav Sisodia, Cadet Sanjeev Dahiya, Cadet Ritik Raj, Cadet Ankur Malik, Cadet Vishal Singh represented the college and the Delhi Directorate at the Republic Day Camp final as well as at the Prime Minister's Rally. Thirty of our NCC cadets also participated in the Army Attachment Camp held at Meerut Cantt. In this camp, the cadets are trained by the instructors of a particular regiment, in military tactics including day/night warfare wherein the cadets also get the opportunity to get familiar with the weaponry. Our cadets were trained under the guidance and supervision of JCOs of the 274 field regiment (artillery). The College was led by Junior Under Officer (JUO) Ubais and Senior Under Officer (SUO) Raju as 7DBN senior and college senior respectively.

Three of our cadets were selected to attend the Advanced Leadership Camps (ALC) this year too. These camps are conducted twice a year and attended by many cadets from all over the country to learn leadership skills, focus on personality development and orientation for induction into the armed forces. Junior Under Officer (JUO) Himanshu Khewaria attended the ALC II held at Coimbatore, representing the Delhi directorate. He was one of the four cadets selected from the Delhi directorate. Two of our cadets-Senior Under Officer (SUO) Munish Rana and Junior Under Officer (JUO) Deepak were selected to attend the ALC-III held at Ahmedabad. Senior Under Officer (SUO) Munish Rana was selected as directorate senior 2IC, (Delhi Directorate) who also bagged the All India 2<sup>nd</sup> Rank in the mock SSB tests conducted in the camp. Six cadets from our college were selected for the guard of honor and wreath laying ceremony at Amar Jawan Jyoti while nine cadets were part of quarter guard. Senior Under Officer (SUO) Munish Rana was selected as the All India Guard Commander. In Combined Annual Training Camps (CATC), the boys (Senior and Junior Division) and girls (Senior and Junior Wing) of the NCC unit participated in the 15-day camp. In these camps, classes are conducted as per the given syllabus wherein the cadets are once again instructed in certain aspects of NCC training. The camp acts as a refresher training programme for the cadets where they are also trained in basic skills of survival and emergencies. They are given lessons in skills pertaining specifically to their Wing. Another activity in the camp is the "dogwatch" where two cadets are to stay on sentry duty for two hours at any given time of the day. Those caught sleeping, especially during late night or early morning shifts, or otherwise missing from duty are severely reprimanded or penalized. Cadets are also introduced to weapons such as a .22 caliber rifle.

Seventy-five of our cadets attended the camp led by Senior Under Officer (SUO) Munish Rana And Senior Under Officer (SUO) Raju Kumar Singh. This session also witnessed our cadets participating in several National Integration Camps (NIC) held in various parts of the country. National Integration Camp (NIC) is to propagate national integration among cadets and the

society. Only the best cadets in drills and march are sent to represent their States. These camps are conducted on All India basis and help bridge the cultural gap among various States of India. Our cadets utilized the opportunity to gel with other cadets of the directorate and to share cultures to inculcate a feeling of oneness among themselves. Only three cadets were selected from Delhi Directorate and all three of them were from our college. Cadet Rajat Kumar led the Delhi Directorate contingent in the camp. The Thal Sainik Camp (TSC) is a 12 days camp conducted in Delhi every year in the late autumn, in which the cadets are selected from all 17 directorates. The selected cadets then are sent to the TSC to represent their respective directorates in competitions such as: Obstacle course, firing, map reading and home nursing. This year four of our cadets, Cadet Prabhat Thapa, Cadet Yogesh Malik, Cadet Ankur Malik and Senior Under Officer (SUO) Sahib Rana attended the Pre TSCs and reached the TSC Final bringing laurels to our college. NCC also participated in the All India Ganga Trek for the benefit of the cadets. The camp included adventurous in addition to some recreational activities. Eleven cadets from our college attended the camp led by SUO Sahib Rana. Our cadets won several competitions in the camp. Our teams for the quarter guard, drill and best cadet competition participated in the NCC fests of several colleges and won first prizes in most of the events. NCC also administered community services and ran awareness drives during the session. Post demonetisation, NCC organised an awareness drive regarding cashless transaction. Our cadets along with Capt.(Dr.) M.M.Raheman visited areas such as the New Delhi Railway Station, Ajmeri Gate, Turkman Gate and nearby colonies, where the cadets informed people about how to use e-currency to pay for their daily needs. The cadets also took up the work of cleaning the vicinity like Turkman Gate, the college premises under the *Swachh Bharat Abhiyan*. They also instructed and inspired the residents of the areas to keep their surroundings neat and clean. This year our 85 cadets participated in the International Day of Yoga spreading the message of living a life full of physical, mental and spiritual happiness. The cadets relayed the message of attaining a healthy and happy life by adopting yoga as a part of the daily routine. Yet another major attraction of NCC was the 20th annual NCC Fest *Salute 2019* organised on 2<sup>nd</sup> of March. The fest was inaugurated by the honourable chief guest Ms. Suman Goyal IPS, Additional CP Of Delhi, Delhi Police, Special Branch. She did the inspection of teams from different colleges of Delhi University. The fest witnessed an enthusiastic response.