

FIVE WEEK INDUCTION PROGRAMME (5 WIP)

Dated:- 2nd August,2016 to 27th August, 2016

Indian Institute of Technology organized Five Week Induction Programme (5 WIP) for newly joined B.Tech. students of batch 2016. Under this programme different-different activities organized by different-different clubs. NSS unit IIT Mandi organized following activities under 5 week induction programme are:-

- a. Know Your Campus.
- b. Cleanliness Drive.
- c. Plantation camp.
- d. Working in Kitchen.
- e. Social Visits.
- f. School Visit.

a. KNOW YOUR CAMPUS

Under know your campus, students visited nearby villages like; Navlay, Salgi, Kataula and Lanjhanu (Riyagadi) from 02nd August, 2017 to 05th August, 2017. The main objective of the event was to show the Himalayan villages and its richest culture. Students reach to these villages after 1 hour long hike and enjoyed the surrounding views. They also know the hardship of the local area that how they get food and other necessary items from the market due to the lack of transportation facilities in village area.

b. CLEANLINESS DRIVE

Every year some 3.4 million people, mostly children, die from diseases associated with inadequate water supply, sanitation, and hygiene. Over half of the hospital beds in the world are filled with people suffering from water and sanitation related diseases.

‘Swachh Bharat Abhiyan’ (Clean Indian Mission) is a national level campaign by the Government of India covering 4041 statutory towns to clean the streets, roads and infrastructure of the country. This campaign was officially launched on 2nd October 2014 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

The campaign is India's biggest ever cleanliness drive and 3 million government employees and schools and colleges students of India participated in this event. To support this idea of “**Swachh Bharat Mission**” NSS unit IIT Mandi organized cleanliness drive under 5 Week Induction Programme. The main aim of the programme was to motivate the students about good habits in their life. Students divided in three groups and the drive organized on 13th August, 2016, 20th August, 2016 and 27th August, 2016.



Students are with collected garbage

Students took a “cleanliness pledge” and then engaged in “cleanliness campaign activities” for almost 3 hours. The campaign resulted in the collection of more than 50 bags (in each day of campaign) of waste materials from Kamand campus. Everyone who participated in the cleanliness drive put in a lot of efforts to clean our campus and make it garbage-free. The overall aim of the programme is to prepare volunteers to promote and maintain cleanliness in their daily life and in the society.

c. PLANTATION CAMP

Hermann Hesse has rightly explained that when we are stricken and cannot bear our lives any longer, then a tree has something to say to us: Be still! Be still! Look at me! Life is not easy, life is not difficult. Those are childish thoughts. Let God speak within you, and your thoughts will grow silent. You are anxious because your path leads away from mother and home. But every step and every day lead you back again to the mother. Home is neither here nor there. Home is within you, or home is nowhere at all. By believing these thoughts National Service

Scheme unit IIT Mandi organized Tree Plantation Camps under 5 Week Induction Programme. Students divided in three groups and camp organized on 13th August, 2016, 20th August, 2016 and 27th August, 2016. Students identified appropriate places for tree plantation with the help of Dr. Shyam Kumar Massakapalli (Assistant Professor), Mr. Prateek Pathania (Field Officer) and Ms. Ritu Sharma (Project Associate) or prepared that for plantation. Faculty, staff members, B.Tech 1st Year Students and NSS volunteers planted more than 200 saplings along with the road near the hostels.



Student team and students are planting tree

Students also placed tree barricades and poured water. Each student took the responsibility to nourish and take care the planted saplings. Eventually, the area attained a glorious look. After one month of plantation the compost/manure was given to the plants by the NSS volunteers. The NSS committee decided to proceed with the same inspiration and enthusiasm to enhance the beauty of the campus.

d. WORKING IN KITCHEN

Nutrition may be defined as the science of food and its relationship to health. It is one of the most important elements of health care. Food waste is the biggest challenge amongst the world. To identify the value of food NSS unit IIT Mandi organized event working in Kitchen. Students divided into three groups and event organized on 13th August, 2016, 20th August, 2016 and 27th August, 2016.



Volunteers are working in kitchen

In this event student worked as a helper with mess workers and also helped them in preparing food for all students. With this event they know the value of food and committed to spread the awareness “DO NOT WASTE FOOD” among the societies.

e. SOCIAL VISITS

Dated:- 13.08.2016

e-1. Orphanage Visit

It is painful to see babies die, killed or left alone. Every day around the world there is a child aiding for help. Sometimes is very difficult to understand the life's of others. How can someone give life to a child and leave them near a dumpster or by a road side. It hurts so much to see some of these cases. Many of these children seen on the road are going to be somebody in the future. Under 5 Week Induction Programme, NSS unit IIT Mandi organized visit to Divya Manav Jyoti Anathalaya, Dehar. Forty students participated in this event. We met the students of orphanage. The glow of their face, the glimpse of their eyes rendered all of us speechless. They came running towards us with lots of expectations and belief in their eyes. We served them with eatables. They just jumped into joy and excitement. It reminded us of our childhood days when we used to do the same when our father used to return from office in lieu of obtaining gifts and other confectionary. Some of the children do not have their parents. Several games were played with children and finally all students came back with lots of sweet memories.

e-2. Old Age Home Visit

The very concept of an old age home is new to India. An old age home is usually the place, a home for those old people who have no one to look after them or those who have been

thrown out of their homes by their children. The place is off course like home where the inmates get all the facilities for a routine living, like food, clothing, and shelter. All these necessities are well looked after but, the much-needed love, and care of loved ones is off course sadly missing; for, how can outsiders provide solace? In these homes, it is very interesting and even touching to talk to people whether they are men or women. At least in India till now, the old people staying away from the home, from their children, or left to themselves is not considered to be a very happy situation. This concept of separating the elders from the youngsters has been imported into India from the West. Students and NSS volunteers went to “The Suket Senior Citizen Home” Dehri, Sundernagar, Mandi and Balh Valley Kalyan Sabha, Bhangrotu, Mandi. Students interact with senior citizens and trying to understand their problems and situations, why they parted from their family? Some of seniors don’t have any child and to spend their life smoothly they move to old age homes. Students also know about the difficulties facing by senior citizens. Some of them have their own children but they left them due to the generation gap. Main motive of the visit was to show the real face of society so that students would be committed to serve their parents. The other motive of the visit to meet them so that they don’t feel they are alone.

e-3. Visit to Bling Association

Close your eyes and try to do something you do every day, like putting toothpaste on a toothbrush. You will soon realise how difficult it is to do things if you cannot see what you are doing. People who cannot see face such difficulties every day. They depend on their other senses (touch, smell, sound and taste) to learn about the world around them. And, with practice, they learn to use these senses better than people with sight. One of the things the blind cannot do is read ordinary books. So, they learn to read books printed in Braille. Braille is a system of representing characters by raised dots. Combinations of raised dots in a six-dot ‘cell’ make up different characters. The characters are read by touching them with fingers. This system was invented by Louis Braille, who lost his sight as a child. Nowadays, there are other means by which a blind person can enjoy a book. For example, they can use a computer to listen to stories or articles that are saved as electronic files. Volunteer students of IIT Mandi visited a blind school, Kanaid, Mandi. The school is run by a blind person Named Mr. Jitender Kumar (also a

blind person). Students meet with blind children and see their study material. All blind students share their life experiences with volunteers and also excited to know about the open world with the help of volunteers. Volunteers feel happy to narrate them the beauty of world. Students spend a day long time with these people and enjoyed a lot.

After coming back a group discussion organized and students give their ideas to solve these problems of society. Students shared their visions and discuss about the present immoral condition of our society.

f. SCHOOL VISIT

Reading Program was started by student volunteers on dated 25th April, 2015 to till continue, with an aim to encourage the reading hobbies in students. They started setting up libraries using books donated by friends, family and some important books purchased from NSS fund.



Student interacting with government school students

NSS unit IIT Mandi provided competitive exam books, general knowledge, current affairs, novels (Hindi& English) and story books etc. Mainly the event runs through the donors who donated good collections of books for this noble work. The aim of this event to continue till the students embrace reading as a hobby and NSS unit IIT Mandi will be associating with them and guide them for their better future. To see the success of event students visited under 5 Week Induction Programme to Government School Kamand, Navlay, Katindhi and Kataula. IIT students interact with school students and asked them about the difficulties they are facing in their study. Also take feedback of the event from teachers as well as from students. Students motivated from the event and ready to participate in this programme.