## 3.6.1 Extension activities are carried out in the neighbourhood community, sensitising students to social issues, for their holistic development, and impact thereof during the last five years

Extension activities from the society is with the objective of sensitizing social issues and service to neighbourhood community in students. The practice shapes the students community to emanate as a social responsible student. This extension activity is carried out since the inception of the college. Paavai engineering College has National Service Scheme (NSS) team with faculty head as NSS Programme officer, with his team members. The office bearers are selected from the student representative and nominated as President, Vice-president and secretary. The whole team consists of 100 NSS volunteers. From 2015onwards there are two types of activities are organized, they are regular activities and special camp activities.

Regular activities of National Service Scheme of the college: Regular activities includes functional literacy and non-formal education, Treeplantation, Participate in Republic day parade, preservation and up keeping of trees, construction and repair of roads, painting of school walls, cleaning of village ponds and wells, health education and primary health care, first aid awareness, blood donation, AIDS awareness, advocating advanced agricultural practice, disaster management (Cyclones, floods), women empowerment, road safety, afforestation, blood donation, plastic eradication, and celebration of days of national importance and so on. Under the scheme Unnat Bharat Abyan (UBA), the college has adopted five villages and service is extended to promote education of the poor, repairing schools, awareness camp on health and hygiene, road safety awareness, cleaning of the village and temples

Special camp activities of National Service Scheme of the college: The special camp activities are conducted once in a year. The activities constitutes free medical camp, talk on cyber-crime and security, programme on women empowerment, awareness rally on disposal of plastic usage, Eye check-up camp, health awareness rally, Swach Bharat mission(Clean India Mission), awareness on following traffic rules, organic farming awareness rally, Yoga and natural medicine camp and so on. The practice is unique, since it bestows the best education to the students' community as it is participatory learning and experiential learning.

## Impact of extension activities

The students are benefitted by these activities to develop their holistic personality. Many awards, recognition, and appreciations were achieved on account of their tireless service.

- Anna University Level Award NSS Best Volunteer Award for four consecutive years(from 2015-2019)
- Best NSS Programme Officer Award from Anna University for the year 2018-
- Republic Day Parade Camp-, New Delhi-Our students have participated in Republic Day Parade for consecutive years(2017,2018 and 2020)
- Two of our students have participated State Republic Day Parade-2019
- Two of our students Participated NSS National Integration Camp at Alagappa Chettiar College of Engineering & Technology, Karaikudi
- Our students have participated in Indian Student Parliament-2018 & 2019,
   Organized by MIT School of Government, MIT World Peace University, Pune
- Two of our students have participated in 22<sup>nd</sup> National Youth Festival Noida, Gujarat
- Three of our students participated in National youth development, held in Rajasthan
- 14 students Participated in National Youth Camp-2019 organised by National Institute of Culture and Education, Wardha, Maharastra

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