



Monthly Report for February, 2017

I. RGNIYD ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

Active Citizens: India Pilot - Facilitator Development Workshop

6th– 10th February 2017, RGNIYD Sriperumbudur

British Council and Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Sriperumbudur are jointly organising India Pilot of the Active Citizens Programme. The Active Citizens is a flagship programme of the British Council and has been operational in 46 countries all over the world. The primary objective of the programme is to raise the desire among young people to become active citizens and bringing social action to life. The motto of the programme is ‘Globally connected, locally engaged’. As part of the piloting of the programme in India, National Service Scheme (NSS) units from different regions are key delivery partners. In this phase, a five day Facilitator Development Workshop was organized at RGNIYD from 6 Feb 2017 to 10 Feb 2017. During the concluding function of the Workshop held on 10 Feb 2017, Dr. AK Dubey, IAS, Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Govt. of India delivered on the occasion and highlighted the significance of the cascaded approach of the Active Citizens programme which provide platform for the youth towards taking up creative, innovative and productive social action projects for the benefit of community. He also appreciated the idea of mentoring the student-volunteers to formulate various social action projects and to provide technical and financial support in their upscaling as part of the programme. Ms. Rittika Chanda Parruk, Deputy Director, Education and Society, British Council India, New Delhi highlighted that good social action projects will be identified through a participatory process. The valedictory session was attended by Dr. Latha Pillai, Director, RGNIYD; Mr. Mike Waldron, UK Trainer & Key facilitator; and Mr. AJ Solomon, British Council, Chennai. Dr. K Giresan, Associate Professor, DLG co-ordinated the programme. The programme was attended by 26 persons (12 male and 14 female).

Thinking on Youth Leadership

8th February 2017, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

A Guest Lecture for the students of ‘Values for Happy and Healthy Life’ was organized by the Department of Local Governance at RGNIYD on 8th February, 2017. Prof. Erika, Goettinghen, Germany was invited to address the students. The Speaker started with two questions: ‘How do young people and adults work together to strengthen sustained development that is continually

responsive to young people's needs and rights?". Which skills do youth facilitators require to make this possible? In an attempt to explore these questions Prof. Erika threw light upon her professional life where she had confronted gender discrimination at the workplace and how her Psychology background indeed helped her to overcome the initial hiccups of her professional life. To work with group of youngsters, Prof. Erika spelt out the need to know each other by facilitating a Group Start "To come to know each other...doing the first step.'

Motivational Programme on Entrepreneurial opportunities (VILLAGE ADOPTION PROGRAMME)

8th February 2017, Kachepedu Govt Middle School for SHG women, Kachepedu Village

A motivational programme on Entrepreneurial opportunities was held on 8th February, at Kachepedu Govt Middle School for SHG women, Kachepedu Village. The Entrepreneurship students Club - Enactus, Ethiraj College, Chennai discussed with SHG women about various entrepreneurial opportunities like ornamental fish breeding, sweet and savouries preparation and organic vegetable cultivation. The SHG women actively participated in the meeting.

The Digital literacy programme (VILLAGE ADOPTION PROGRAMME)

8th February 2017, Kachepedu Govt Middle School

The Digital literacy programme was conducted for the Kachepedu village community on 8th February, 2016 at Kachepedu Govt. Middle School. The importance of digital transactions were discussed by the expert from Dhan Foundation. The Village community enthusiastically participated in the discussion.

Visit by Prof. Sanders Scott

8th February 2017, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

Prof. Sanders Scott, Director, Department of Social Work, Michigan University, USA visited TGNIYD on 8th February 2017. Prof. Sanders Scott addressed the students of RGNIYD and students from BDPS College, Meghalaya University interacted with Prof. Scott on current trends in social work theory and practice.

STEPS – Students' Theatre

18th February 2017, RGNIYD

The STEPS, RGNIYD organised Theatre program by conducting intercollegiate theatre competition. Students from Chennai city colleges participated in the competitions and cultural performances were given by Alternative Media Centre and Children and youth from Kachepedu Village Community. The objective of the programme was to sensitize the students about significance of theatre and using theatre as medium for social change and community capacity building. In total 75 participants participated in the programm (F-32; M43). Mr. Hariharan a renowned Film Maker, Chennai, spoke about the modern theatre and its role and significance.

He appreciated the activities of STEPS and having taken effort to celebrate Theatre Day. The office bearers, members and faculty in charge of STEPS organized the event.

Exposure Visit by Department of Social Work, Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth

20th February 2017, RGNIYD

Students along with two faculty members from the Department of Social Work, Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth, Pune visited the Department of Social Work at RGNIYD on 16th February, 2017. Students of Social Work from both the Departments interacted on the field work experience and shared the practical experience by connecting with the concurrent field work.

SOCIAL JUSTICE DAY

20th February 2017, RGNIYD

The World Social Justice Day was observed on 20th February, 2017 at RGNIYD by organizing a special lecture on Social Justice and Constitutional Provisions, delivered by Honourable Justice S. Jagadeesan (Rtd), Madras High Court. In his speech he highlighted the concept of social justice, constitutional provisions to ensure equality and justice, significant role played by social welfare legislations since independence by quoting various acts and court verdicts. He urged the youth to participate actively in political sphere to protect the rights of the weaker and vulnerable by leading the country with social justice and equality. During interaction session the students and faculty members of RGNIYD actively participated (M-66; F-40 -in interaction session with the Honourable Justice. Dr. T.R.A. Devakumar, Registrar, RGNIYD welcomed the gathering and introduced the guest to the participants. Dr. S. Lalitha, Incharge- Centre for Dalit and Subaltern Studies proposed vote of thanks.

II. TRAINING/CAPACITY BUILDING AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

ETI - Orientation Programme on NSS Programme Officers

2nd-8th February 2017, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

ETI- RGNIYD conducted the 5th Orientation Programme for the NSS Programme Officers of Tamil Nadu, Puducherry Region. The program was participated by 24 NSS Programme Officers (9 Female, 15 Male) from 02nd -08th Feb, 2017. The course aimed at providing necessary Knowledge, Skills & Attitude required for effective implementation of NSS Programmes and to enable the Programme Officers to play a role of an extension worker between the College & the Community. Various sessions were conducted by the Faculty members of RGNIYD & External Resource Persons on the topics i.e. History, Philosophy, Objectives of NSS, motto, emblem etc., Leadership & Team building, adoption of villages, Challenges before Youth & Youth counselling,

Yoga for Healthy life etc. A resource kit which contains resource material, CD on Yoga was provided to the Programme Officers.

Training Programs for Youth

3rd February, 2017, Chennai, Vizianagaram, Puducherry and Delhi

The Department of Social Work organised seven training programmes for youth at various parts of the country in collaboration with reputed organisations and educational institutions. The details are as follows: 1. Madras Christian College, Chennai organised the capacity building program on Environmental Education for Sustainable Development on 6-11 February, 2017. 40 participants actively took part in the programme. They were capacitated on the theme of the program. 2. Kasthurba College of Women, Puducherry has organised the training program on Life Skills for Adolescent Girls on 13-14 February, 2017. 40 participants actively took part in the programme. They were capacitated on the theme of the program. 3. Andhra University Campus, Vizianagaram has organised the training program on Life Career Guidance and Counselling, Entrepreneurship and Gender Equity on 3-4 February, 2017. 40 participants actively took part in the programme. 4. Loyola College, Chennai has organised the training program on Social Harmony and National Unity on 21-23 February, 2017. 40 participants actively took part in the programme. They were capacitated on the theme of the program. 5. Department of Social Work, University of Delhi has organised the training program on Youth for Social Change on 27th January-1 February, 2017. 40 participants actively took part in the programme. They were capacitated on the theme of the program. 6. Madras School of Social Work, Chennai has organised the training program on Social Harmony through Social Legislation on 13-14 February, 2017. 40 participants actively took part in the programme. They were capacitated on the theme of the program. 7. Aruwe, Chennai has organised the training program on Skills for Slum Youth on 13-20 February, 2017. 40 participants actively took part in the programme. They were capacitated on the theme of the program.

Lecture cum Capacity Building workshop on Skill Competency for High Performance

4th February, 2017, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

Capacity building cum guest lecture programme organised for students of Department of Social Engineering. Objective of the programme was to enrich the employability skills of students. Ms Ayshwarya Robin, Deputy Manager, TAFE participated as resource person for this programme.

Training Program on Career Counselling

6th February 2017, Department of Energy Studies, Periyar University, Salem

Career guidance and Counselling program on solar power generation for SC/ST students was held from 6th February 2017, Department of Energy Studies, Periyar University, Salem. Mr. R.

Sasikumar, consultant, solar radiation and resource assessment-NIWE, Chennai and highlighted different kind of energy resources, effects of global warming due to the maximum usage of non-renewable energy resources, Energy scenario, evolution of the solar power market in India

Legal Awareness programmes

7th February 2017, Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calvala Cunnan Chetty's (DRBCCC) Hindu College, Pattabiram in Tiruvallur

The Department of Dalit and Subaltern Studies organized Legal awareness programmes in association with Tamil Nadu Federation of Women Lawyers, Madras High Court. The first programme was held on 7.2.2017 at Dharmamurthi Rao Bahadur Calvala Cunnan Chetty's (DRBCCC) Hindu College, Pattabiram in Tiruvallur District. 150 girl students participated in the programmes. The second programme was held at Thangavelu Engineering College, Karappakkam, Kancheepuram District on 13.2.2017. 150 girl students participated in the programmes.

Trainers of Training Programme on Human Rights for Youths

7th– 11th February 2017, Alagappa University, Karaikudi

Dr.M. Velusamy, Assistant Professor, Alagappa University, Karaikudi organised the TOT programme on Human Rights for Youths and explained the main focus of the training programme. In this five days training programme, each day planned and arranged in to four informative and interactive sessions by experts academicians and activist covered several important aspects of Human Rights to the trainers. The Valedictory function was organised in which participants presented their observation before the authorities which has highlighted the success of the programme.

Workshop on Employability Skills through Life Skill Approaches

8th -11 th February 2017, Khalsa College for Women, Ludhiana

Regional Centre, Chandigarh had organised a 4- day workshop on Employability Skills through Life Skills Approaches in collaboration with Khalsa College for Women, Ludhiana from 8-11 February, 2017. It was attended by 100 women students from different streams to enhance their employability skills. These Skills are important because the labour market is intensely competitive, and employers in private, public and third sector are looking for people who are flexible, take the initiative and have the ability to undertake a variety of tasks in different environments. Employability skills are more 'service oriented'.

Life Skills Education for Adolescent Development (LEAD)

9th February 2017, Waltax Road, Kosapet, Kancheepuram

The RGNIYD in collaboration with Department of Social Defence (DSD), Govt of Tamil Nadu and UNICEF is implementing a project called Life Skills Education for Adolescent Development (LEAD) aiming at providing life skills training and psychosocial counselling to the adolescents who are residing in Govt. Children's Homes across Tamil Nadu. In this connection, three life skills trainings were conducted in the month of February, 2017 in Tamil Nadu. In this programme 66 adolescent's girls were trained on life skills. During the training programme, the adolescents were inculcated on self – awareness, effective communication, empathy, interpersonal relationship, critical thinking and creative thinking, problem solving and decision making skills, coping with stress and emotion through various methods like brainstorming, group discussion, buzz group discussion, experiential sharing , drama, mind games, activities, and poster presentation. The program on Psychosocial Counselling for Adolescents in Govt. Children and Observation Home was organised on 9th February 2017 in Kancheepuram district. The program was participated by 66 girls.

Workshop cum exposure visit on Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat

10th -14th February 2017, RGNIYD, Regional Centre Chandigarh

41 young students from various higher secondary schools of Jammu and Kashmir State accompanied by Mr. Vijay Kumar Bhagat, State Coordinator, RAMSA, Ms. Ravinder Kaur, Senior Lecturer, Punjabi, Ms. Heena, Cultural Coordinator, Srinagar, Mr. Sajja, Senior Lecturer, Physics & Mr. Bakshi reached Chandigarh on 10th Feb, 2017.

Workshop on Research Methodology

10th - 15th February 2017, Manonmaiam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli

The Workshop on Research Methodology was organised from 10th - 15th February 2017, Manonmaiam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli. Dr.K. Baskar, Vice-Chancellor of MS University inaugurated the program. The students discussed with the Resource person about their doubts on research and also they raised many questions regarding the topics frequently. Acquired the practical knowledge on SPSS, Testing Hypotheses, Fixing Sample Size, Framing interview schedule and Questionnaire, Pilot study and Pre test, Report writing and Research paper publication.

Forms of Business & Registration Procedures for Not For Profit & For Profit Social Enterprises

13th February 2017, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

Department of Social Engineering conducted half day guest lecture on Forms of Business & Registration Procedures for Not For Profit & For Profit Social Enterprises. The resource person

Mr P. Rajarethinam, Project Director/DGM, Hand in Hand India, delivered a guest lecture. He shared about different forms of business, role of NGO in promoting social enterprises. He has shown documentary movies on National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and Aravind eye hospital. It was an interactive session for students to get clarity on registration process of enterprises.

Workshop on Leading a Happy and Successful Life

13th-16th February 2017, Chandimandir

A Workshop on Leading a Happy and Successful Life was organized by RGNIYD RC in Chandimandir with full vigour for the soldiers of 37th infantry brigade. This workshop included sessions to create a happy environment among them. Ms. Amanpreet, Ms. Kamalpreet, Ms. Akanksha and Mr. Sanjeev from RGNIYD RC Chandigarh facilitated the workshop and took sessions like positive attitude, time management, self awareness along with various games and activities to stir up the motivation level of the soldiers. The closing was witnessed by Mr. Stanzin Dawa, Regional Director, RGNIYD RC, Chandigarh, Brig Lahiri, Lt Col Joshi, Col Mahajan, Major Dadda Santosh and soldiers of 37th infantry brigade. Mr. Stanzin Dawa delivered a motivational talk in the closing ceremony which inspired the soldiers to do better in their lives.

Yoga-Meditation for Happy and Healthy Life

15th February, 2017, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

A Guest Lecture for the students on 'Values for Happy and Healthy Life' was organized by the Department of Local Governance at RGNIYD on 15th February, 2017. Emertius Prof. B Mukhopadhyay was invited to address the students. Prof. Mukhopadhyay explained that yoga-meditation together enabled the students to develop a balanced personality both internally as well as externally.

Workshop cum exposure visit on Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat

15th-19th February 2017, RGNIYD, Regional Centre Chandigarh

41 young students from various higher secondary schools of Jammu and Kashmir State accompanied by Mr. Vijay Kumar Bhagat, State Coordinator, RAMSA, Mrs. Rama Rani, Mrs. Manpreet Kaur, Mrs. Awani Sen, Mrs. Aarti Thakur and Mr. Mubarak Singh reached Chandigarh on 15th Feb, 2017. An introduction and orientation was planned in the evening to brief them about their stay in city beautiful.

Youth Engagement in Disaster Risk Reduction

16th and 18th February 2017, Virudhunagar Hindu Nadars' Senthikumara Nadar College

Training Programme on Youth Engagement in Disaster Risk Reduction A three day training programme on "Youth Engagement in Disaster Risk Reduction" was held from 16.2.2017 to 18.2.2017 at Virudhunagar. It was sponsored by Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development and organized by National Service Scheme (NSS) and National Cadet Corps (NCC) of V.H.N.S.N College (Autonomous). A total of 40 students had participated in the training programme (20 male students and 20 female students) attended the training programme.

Workshop on Social harmony & national unity

17th-19th February 2017, Youth Hostel, Nagrota, Jammu

RGNIYD Regional Center in collaboration with Jammu & Kashmir Government and Sewa Bharti organized a 3-day workshop on Social Harmony & National Unity from 17-19th February, 2017 at Youth Hostel, Nagrota, Jammu. The workshop witnessed the participation of over 250 school teachers of Ekal Vidyalaya running across 217 villages of Jammu & Kashmir. The rationale behind organizing this workshop was to train teachers as ambassadors for promoting and strengthening social harmony and national integration.

Workshop on Turning Ambitions into Reality

17th-20th February 2017, SGGS Khalsa College, Mahilpur, Distt. Hoshiarpur, Punjab

RGNIYD RC Chandigarh had organised a 4-Day workshop on Turning Ambitions into a Reality in collaboration with SGGS Khalsa College, Mahilpur, Punjab from 17-20 February 2017. 130 participants from Under Graduate and Post Graduate courses participated with a great enthusiasm to fulfill their dreams into a reality.

Workshop on Peace Education and Leadership

18th and 20th February 2017, Chellammal College

Workshop on Peace Education and Leadership was organised by CTO& CB, RGNIYD at Chellammal Women's College from 18th and 20th February, 2017 with the objective to provide good opportunities to the students to explore the ways to promote a culture of peace in the country. In this programme 45 UG girl students participated. During the programme the participants were motivated to discuss on equipping oneself as conflict resolving personnel based on the peace education and the different approaches one must have to include everyone in the conflict resolving efforts and how to make it holistic by drawing everyone's participation.

ToT – Social Harmony, National Unity & Human Right

18 th-22 nd February 2017, Sh. Sankracharya College, Dist.-Durg, Chhattisgarh

The ToT on Social Harmony, National Unity & Human Right programme was organised from 18 th-22 nd February 2017, Sh. Sankracharya College, Dist.-Durg, Chhattisgarh. Registrar, Durg University, Durg inaugurated the program . Sh. D N Garhwal, Regional Director, BHOPAL and R.P. Agarwal, NSS Coordinator, Durg University, Durg Chhattisgarh took various sessions.

Workshop cum exposure visit on Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat

20-24 February 2017, RGNIYD, Regional Centre Chandigarh

41 young students from various higher secondary schools of Jammu and Kashmir State accompanied by Mr. Vijay Kumar Bhagat, State Coordinator, RAMSA, Mrs. Rama Rani, Ms. Waheeda Aziz and Mr. Shaukat Ah. Mir reached Chandigarh on 21st Feb, 2017. An introduction and orientation was planned in the evening to brief them about their stay in city beautiful.

Workshop on Life Skills- How to lead a successful life in 21st century

20-24 February 2017, Songtsen library, Dehradun, Uttarakhand

RGNIYD RC organized a workshop on life skills-how to lead a successful life in 21st century for 35 students from different states like Jammu and Kashmir, Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh. This workshop was organised in Songtsen Gampo Library, Dehradun. The workshop witnessed sessions on self-awareness, Communication Skills, Time Management, Following your dreams, Stereotypes, Leadership, Critical Thinking and Problem Solving, Adaptability and Team-building.

ToT on Gender Sensitization

21st February – 1st March 2017, Calcutta

TOT on Gender Sensitization Organized by Department of Gender Studies, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development and Women's Studies Research Centre, University of Calcutta 21st February – 1st March 2017. The programme was inaugurated by Dr. Payal Mago, Principal, Shaheed Rajguru College of Applied Sciences for Women (University of Delhi) and Prof. Ishita Mukhopadhyay, Director, Women's Studies Research Centre, Calcutta University delivered the welcome address. Prof Indu Agnihotri, Director, CWDS delivered keynote address and Ms. Veronica, from Rajiv Gandhi National Institute for Youth Development shared about the objectives of the training programme and about the Institute. Twenty participants (15 women, 6 men) representing various institutions participated in the training programme.

Visit to NIPFA and LV Prasad Studio

24th February 2017, LV Prasad Studio, Chennai

The Students of STEPS and students who have taken Theatre for Community Capacity Building as an open elective paper visited Nizihal Pathiyam Film Academy (NIZHAL) and LV Prasad Studio to get deeper understanding of film making, script writing, editing and mixing.

In house Paid Computer Training Report

01-28 February 2017, RGNIYD-Regional Centre

RGNIYD RC imparts skill based computer training to the young people. Young people enroll themselves under the six month and one year certificate courses at RGNIYD Regional Centre campus every month to get trained in the field of computer. The computer training covers the following components:

- Computer Basics,
- Internet,
- MS Office,
- Computer Hardware & Software
- Soft Skills

The purpose of the event was raise awareness about 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan'.

III. ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED FOR NORTH EASTERN STATES

Northeast Youth Talent Event

27th February 2017, RGNIYD, Sriperumbudur

Northeast Youth Talent event with SPIC MACAY at Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) held on 27.02.2017. The Centre for Tribal and Northeastern Youth Development, RGNIYD in collaboration with SPIC MACAY [Society for Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Amongst Youth] organized a programme on Northeast Youth Talent at RGNIYD on 27th February 2017. Dr. Latha Pillai, Director, RGNIYD welcomed the august gathering and the Manipuri dance troupe which was led by Sinam Basu Singh, a renowned dancer from Manipur. The objective of the programme is to promote national integration and better cultural understanding by to providing a platform to young artistes of traditional arts and culture. Students and faculty from Dharma College, Sri Venkateshwara Engineering College, Velumailu College besides the students, staff and faculty of RGNIYD enthusiastically participated in this cultural evening to experience the inspiration and mysticism embodied in the rich Indian heritage of Manipuri classical dance 'Raas Leela' which was performed by the acclaimed dancer Sinam Basu Singh and troupe.