NATIONAL CADET CORPS

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INTRODUCTION TO NCC

The NCC was created as University Corps under the Indian Defense Act, 1917 with the objective to train students for the Army. In 1920, when the Indian Territorial Act was passed, the "University Corps" was replaced by the "University Training Corps" (UTC). In 1942, the UTC was renamed as the "University Officers Training Corps" (UOTC). In September 1946, under the chairmanship of Kunzru, a committee was set up for establishment of a nation-wide youth organization. The Government of India accepted the recommendations of the committee and prepared a bill. It was passed by the Parliament and 'The National Cadet Corps (NCC)" came into existence on 15 July 1948 under Nation Cadets Corps Act (No. XXXI of 1948).

To widen the scope of NCC Training, the Army NCC unit in Girls Division was introduced in 1949. Air force and Naval NCC Units followed soon in 1950 and 1952 respectively. This voluntary youth organization, which started with 20,000 cadets, is today probably the largest uniformed youth organization in the world with 13 lakh cadets (boys and girls). The NCC Head quarter is in New Delhi headed by a Director General with the rank of Lieutenant General. He is assisted by two Additional Director Generals (A and B) of two-star rank (Major-General, Rear-Admiral or Air Vice-Marshal). Control and co-ordination are exercised through 17 State Directorates with each headed by an Additional Director General or Deputy Director General of the rank of Major General or Brigadier or equivalent ranks of the Navy and Air Force. At present, there are 96 NCC Group HQs and 800 units located throughout the country providing NCC coverage to 633 districts. There are two training establishments namely Officers Training Academy, Kamptee (Nagpur, Maharashtra) for male officers and Officers Training Academy, Gwalior for women.

NCC is a tri - service organization and consists of Army, Navy and Airforce which trains lakh of students under its fold. Students who have undergone NCC training have self-discipline, leadership qualities and good value systems. It has played an important role in the all-round development of the youth of our country and in grooming future leaders in all fields. The contribution of the National Cadet Corps in the process of nation building and national integration has been commendable and worth imitating.

The National Cadet Corps is a vibrant organization with pool of well-motivated and distinguished boys and girls. The well-designed curriculum of National Cadet Corps, consisting of myriad

training, adventure, cultural and social activities is of immense value to the young generation, enabling them to take on the challenges of the modern world. NCC Cadets can also join Defense services.

NCC ORGANISATION

The NCC is headed by a Director General with the rank of Lieutenant General. He is assisted by two Additional Director Generals (A and B) of two-star rank (Major-General, Rear Admiral or Air Vice-Marshal). Five Brigadier level officers and other civil officials also assist him. The Headquarters is located in Delhi. The organisational structure continues as follows:

- Directorate There are 17 Directorates located in the state capitals headed by an officer of the rank of a Major General from the three Services.
- Group Depending upon the size of the state and growth of NCC in the states, Directorates
 have up to 14 Group Headquarters under them through which they exercise their command
 and control of the organisation in the state. Each group is headed by an officer of the rank
 of Brigadier or equivalent known as Group Commander. Kerala and Lakshwadeep
 Directorate have 5 Groups.
- Battalion- Each NCC Group Headquarters control 5-7 Units (Bns) commanded by Colonel/
 Lt.Col or equivalent.
- Subunit (Company) Each Unit (Battalion) consists of companies which are commanded by the Associate NCC Officer (ANO) of the rank of lieutenant or equivalent to major or equivalent.

In all there are 95 Group Headquarters in the country who exercise control over a network of 667 Army Wing Units(including technical and girls unit), 60 Naval Wing Units and 61 Air Squadrons. There are two training establishments namely Officers Training School, Kamptee (Nagpur, Maharashtra) and Women Officers Training School, Gwalior.

VISION

Empower volunteer youth to become potential leaders and responsible citizens of the country.

MISSION

To develop leadership and character qualities, mould discipline and nurture social integration and cohesion through multi-faceted programs conducted in a military environment.

NCC Motto

"UNITY AND DISCIPLINE" (Ekta aur Anushasan)"

FOUR CARDINAL PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLINE

- Obey with a smile
- **❖** Be punctual
- ❖ Work hard without fuss
- Make no excuses and tell no lies

AIMS OF NCC

- ❖ To develop the qualities such as character, comradeship, discipline, secular outlook, spirit of adventure and ideals of selfless service amongst the young citizens.
- ❖ To create a human resource of organized, trained and motivated youth to provide leadership in all walks of like and be always available for the service of the nation regardless of which career they choose. To provide a suitable environment to motivate the youth to take up a career in the Armed Forces.
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OBJECTIVES OF NCC

- * Reach out to the maximum youth through various institutions.
- ❖ Make NCC as an important part of the society.
- ❖ Teach positive thinking and attitude to youth.
- ❖ Become a main source of national integration by making NCC as one of the greatest and strong united forces of our nation irrespective of any caste, Creed, Religion or region.
- ❖ Mould the youth of the country into a united secular and disciplined citizens of the nation.
- provide an ideal platform for the youth to showcase their ability in nation building.
- ❖ Instil the spirit of secularism and united India by organizing National Integration Camps all over the country.
- * Reach out to the youth of friendly foreign countries through Youth Exchange Programs.
- ❖ To Achieve the Aims and Objectives the following training were imparted among cadets.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITES OF NAVAL NCC CADETS

Institutional Training: Institutional Training is conducted at the college level. This is the mainstay of NCC training and is conducted by Associate NCC officers and Armed Forces personnel drawn from the Navy (under deputation in the NCC). The important institutional level training includes the following:

- Drill
- Firing
- Physical Training
- Swimming
- Seamanship
- Awareness Classes
- Boat pulling
- Ship modelling
- Sailing
- Semaphore
- B/C Certificate Examinations

Camp Training: The aim of this training is to expose the cadets to a regimented way of life. In addition to Annual Training camps, cadets are also send to national level camps like the Special National Integration camps, Ek Bharat Sreshtha Bharat (EBSB) Camps and Leaderships Camps etc. where they meet and interact with cadets from all States and Union Territories.

Attachment Training: Formal training organized by attachment with Army/Navy/Airforce Units or with officer training academies like Indian Military Academy (IMA) and Officers Training Academy (OTA).

Social Service & Community Development: Participating in campaigns, like Disaster Management, Adult Literacy Promotion, Anti-Polio Drive, Rural Development Trial Project, AIDS Awareness, Tree plantation and Anti-Drug programme etc. aim to inculcate in cadets the moral and social obligations to fellow citizens and to 'Nation Building'.

- Blood Donation
- Swatchh Bharat Activities
- Visit to Old Age Homes
- Visit to Orphanages
- Tree Plantation
- Disaster Management
- Awareness Campaign

Youth Exchange Programme: Selected cadets are given an opportunity to visit foreign countries as their State Guests and as the 'Brand Ambassadors' of our nation.

Overseas Deployment (OSD): Selected Naval cadets are given an opportunity to represent India in OSD through Naval NCC. Through OSD, Cadets get embarked in Naval Ships and are given maximum exposure on various facets of life at sea through a structured training programme, with special emphasis on the role of Indian Navy. Indian Navy ships are regularly deployed overseas as

part of its mission of building 'bridges of friendship' and strengthening international cooperation with friendly countries.

Adventure Based Learning: The cadets are also exposed to a number of adventure activities that enable them to improve their life and leadership skills. Mountain Treks & Expeditions, Parasailing and Jumping, Sailing Expeditions and Micro lite flying are some of the events conducted regularly by the NCC.

- Trekking
- Cycling Expedition
- Mountaineering
- Para Sailing
- Rock Climbing
- Scuba Diving

Sports: NCC teams regularly excel in National level events like Subroto Cup Football, Nehru Cup Hockey, and National Shooting Championships.

Personality Development and Career Counseling: The revised training philosophy of the NCC specifically aims to add value to the cadets' life skills and enable them to excel in all walks of life.

- SSB Coaching
- Personality Development Capsule
- Group Discussions
- Communicative English Classes

NCC CAMPS

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (YEP)

• The aim of YEP is a country-to-country exchange of cadets belonging to NCC/equivalent Govt/Youth Organisations of friendly countries and participation in various activities and appreciation of each other's socio-economic and cultural realities.

REPUBLIC DAY CAMP

- RDC is held at Garrison Parade Ground, Delhi Cantt from 01 to 29 Jan. 1850 Selected NCC Cadets from 17 directorates attend the Camp. The Camp is inaugurated by the Vice President of India and culminates with Prime Minister's Rally on 28 Jan.
- Before RDC all group headquarters have to face the IGC (Inter-Group Competition).
 During the camp visit of Raksha Mantri, Cabinet Ministers, Chief Minister of Delhi, three
 Service Chiefs and various State Ministers/VIPs are also organised.
- During the RDC, various competitions are conducted amongst the 17 NCC Directorates to decide the Champion Directorate for award of Prime Minister's Banner. Competitions are keenly contested in various events such as National Integration Awareness presentation, Drill, Line & Flag Area, Cultural Programs i.e. (group song, group dance & ballet), Best Cadet of Senior Division (Boys) and Senior Wing (Girls) in each Service Army, Navy & Air Discipline and Best Cadet Boys and Girls each from Junior Wing. Aero modelling and Ship modelling are also conducted during RDC.

NAU SAINIK CAMP (NSC)

 This centrally organised Naval Camp is conducted annually for selected Naval Wing Cadets. Boat pulling, semaphore, Seamanship, Ship Modeling, tent pitching, DK Whaler rigging, drill competitions are the main attraction of the camp. It is generally held at Naval Maritime Academy (NAMAC) at Visakhapatnam but started to be held at Karwar from 2014.

ALL INDIA YACHTING REGATTA (AIYR)

 This centrally organised Naval Camp is conducted annually for selected Naval Wing Cadets. Yachting (Sailing) is the main attraction of the camp. It is generally held at Naval Base INS-Chilka at Odisha.

LEADERSHIP CAMPS

 Both Basic Leadership Camps (BLC) and Advanced Leadership Camps (ALC) are conducted in many places in which the officers give cadets training for SSB screening and entrance.

EK BHARATH SRESHTHA BHARATH (EBSB)

• Ek Bharath Sreshtha Bharath earlier known as National Integration Camp (NIC) is to propagate national integration among cadets and society. These camps are conducted on All India basis and help bridge the cultural gap among various States of India.

TREKKING CAMPS

• Cadets who want to experience something adventurous have opportunity to attend Trekking Camps. Cadets who want to participate, have a good stamina for walking.

COMBINED ANNUAL TRAINING CAMPS (CATC)

• In CATC, the boys (Senior & Junior Division) and girl cadets (Senior & Junior Wing) of a particular NCC unit participate in the 10-day camp. The camp acts as a refresher training for the cadets and they are also trained in basic skills of survival and emergencies besides other topics. They are taught certain skills pertaining specifically to their Wing for e.g., a Naval cadet is trained in ship modelling, boat pulling, Sailing, Semaphore, etc. Cadets are also introduced to weapons such as a .22 rifle.

NCC SONG

Hum Sab Bharatiye Hain, Hum Sab Bharatiye Hain

Apni Manzil Ek Hai,

Ha, Ha, Ha, Ek Hai,

Ho, Ho, Ho, Ho, Ek Hai.

Hum Sab Bharatiye Hain.

Kashmir Ki Dharti Rani Hai,

Sartaj Himalaya Hai,

Sadiyon Se Hamne Isko Apne Khoon Se Pala Hai

Desh Ki Raksha Ki Khatir Hum Samshir Utha Lenge,

Hum Samshir Utha Lenge.

Bhikre-Bhikre Tarey Hain Hum Lekin Jhilmil Ek Hai,

Ha, Ha, Ha, ha, Ek Hain

Hum Sab Bharatiye Hain.

Mandir Gurudware Bhi Hain Yahan

Aur Masjid Bhi Hai Yahan

Girja Ka Hai Ghadiyal Kahin

Mullah ki Kahin Hai Azaan

Ek Hi Apna Ram Hai, Ek hi Allah Taala Hai,

Ek Hi Allah Taala Hai, Rang Birange Deepak Hain Hum,

Ek Jagmag Ek Hai Ha, Ha, Ek Hai, Ho, Ho, Ek Hai.

Hum Sab Bharatiye Hain, Hum Sab Bharatiye Hain

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Jana-gana-mana-adhinayaka jaya he
Bharata-bhagya-vidhata
Panjaba-Sindhu-Gujarata-Maratha
Dravida-Utkala-Banga
Vindhya-Himachala-Yamuna-Ganga
uchchala-jaladhi-taranga
Tava Subha name jage,
tava subha asisa mage,
gahe tava jaya-gatha.

Jana-gana-mangala-dayaka jaya he
Bharata-bhagya-vidhata.
Jaya he, Jaya he,
jaya jaya jaya jaya he.