

A Study on the opinion of Graduate Students towards the National Service Scheme Programmes

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Abstract

The present study focused on the Study on the opinion of Graduate Students towards the National Service Scheme Programmes. The findings of this study will have implication value in designing curriculum. The type of the present research work is 'Applied Research' and uses the 'Survey Method' of research. 'Purposive Sampling Method' adopted for sampling. The researcher developed a questionnaire for collecting the data, which consisting of 35 statements and standardized, it is classified into six broad categories related to N.S.S Programme. The study covered 100 Graduate students. The majority of the Graduate students have expressed that participating in the NSS programmes is creating friendly relationship, developing better cooperation and patience among the students. The study recommends that, the colleges need to establish the National Service Scheme units in their institutions. The study also recommends that, it is desirable to take appropriate steps to encourage the large number of students to participate in these programmes.

Keywords: National Service Scheme, Social Service, National Integration

Introduction:

National service scheme (N.S.S) is a permanent youth programme under the ministry of youth Affairs and sports, the Government of India and funded by the Government of Tamil Nadu and Government of India in the ratio of 5:7. The N.S.S was evolved and introduced by the government of India in the year 1969.

The Aim of National service scheme (N.S.S) is to develop a sense of participation amongst students in nation building through Social work. This intensifies understanding of the social environment and as well as enriches students Personality through actual participation in day-to-day life of the society. This process not only enviable enhancements to the classroom education, but also develops in the student a sense of cooperation, tolerance and responsibility. The N.S.S plays a vital role in the development of the latent aspects of the students' personality.

The National Service Scheme has two types of programmers – regular activities and special camping programmes. The students who enrolled as NSS volunteers are likely to work on the scheme for a period of two years. They have to take part in special camping programmes of 10 days duration.

The N.S.S. is going on in the colleges on a voluntary basis. Most of the colleges have one unit of 100 volunteers. Some of the big colleges have more than one unit and accordingly more than one programme officer. The volunteers do community service. They work mainly for rural reconstruction and its upliftment.

Statement of the problem:

“A Study on the opinion of Graduate Students towards N.S.S. Programmes”

Objectives of the study:

1. To study the opinion of Graduate students towards the N.S.S. programme.
2. To study the opinion of Graduate students towards working with people.
3. To study the opinion of Graduate students towards bringing awareness among the people.
4. To study the opinion of Graduate students towards developing leadership qualities.
5. To study the opinion of Graduate students conducting clean and green.
6. To study the opinion of Graduate students towards creative and constructive social action.
7. To study the opinion of Graduate students conducting activities for national development.
8. To study the effect of demographic factors of Graduate students and its influence in implementing the NSS programme.

Hypothesis of the study:

1. There is no significant difference in the opinion of Graduate students towards the NSS programme.
2. There is no significant difference in the opinion of Graduate students towards working with people.
3. There is no significant difference in the opinion of Graduate students towards Bringing awareness among the people.
4. There is no significant difference in the opinion of Graduate students towards developing leadership qualities.
5. There is no significant difference in the opinion of Graduate students conducting clean and green.
6. There is no significant difference in the opinion of Graduate students towards creative and constructive social action.
7. There is no significant difference in the opinion of Graduate students towards activities for national development.

Limitations of the study:

The study was undertaken with the following limitations

1. The sample consists of 100 students 50 male students and 50 female students.
2. The sample is selected only from Graduate students.
3. The present study is limited to only NSS students who are participating in regular, special NSS programmes.
4. The present piece of research is limited to only 5 variables that are Gender, Department, Year, and Locality.

Review of Related Research and Literature:

The researcher made an attempt to review the literature and previous studies related to the topic. The researcher reviewed Doctoral thesis, M.Phil dissertations as well as research articles. The researcher reviewed the studies of Hans'. G. (1988), Hans'. G. and Vadhyar, R, (1988), Vooredi Prathima (2009), Gundu Saritha (2010), K. Narender (2010) and Dr. NirmalaSubharwar (2000).

Methodology of the study:

The Emotional Intelligence research work is 'Applied Research' because, it is concerned with certain sample and the result is applicable to the educational field. The research work is all about present problem and preparing the future suggestions based on current findings. Therefore 'Survey

'Method' has adapted for the present study. The population of the study includes all the Graduate Students who studying in Sangareddy Division. A sample of 100 graduate students is taken by 'Purposive Sampling Method' for the study.

Tools used for the study:

The researcher developed the questionnaire consisting of 35 statements and standardized with the help of two subject experts by following all the necessary precautions. The questionnaire is classified into six broad categories related to N.S.S Programme which includes.

Statistical Techniques:

The data analyzed by with the help of Mean, Standard deviation, T-Test and analysis of variance.

Findings:

1. All most all the students responded towards the friendly relationship and clear ideas by Participating the N.S.S programme.
2. Less than half of the students responded that by participating in NSS programmes. They are getting irritated few students expressed that it is increasing that patience towards the N.S.S. volunteers getting irritated and Chances for differences by people in the N.S.S. programme.
3. All most all the students responded that N.S.S. volunteers are satisfied working in N.S.S programme and develop good co-operation, patient from their friends.
4. Most of the students have opinions that the NSS programmes are creating awareness among the people eradicating Superstitions, and developing social service among the people.
5. All most all the students responded that by participating in camps conducted in the villages they are able to understand the culture or lifestyle of different people.
6. Most of the students have opinions that the NSS programmes are increasing literacy among women and the propagating importance of Women education.
7. All most all the students responded that NSS are creating unity and self-confidence among the students.
8. The majority of the students have opinions that by participating in different programmes conducted by the NSS programmes are helpful for them in their future.

9. Most of the students have opinions that by frequently participating in the NSS programme to their students are disturbed to some event.
10. All most all the students responded that by participating in the NSS programmes they are serving the society.
11. All most all the students responded that clean and green programme is useful to the people.
12. The majority of the students have expressed that by conducting plantation programmes in the NSS is bringing awareness among the people to preserve and protect the trees.
13. Most of the students have opinions that the N.S.S. programmes are conducted to eradicate water pollution and to bring awareness among the people to preserve the rivers.
14. The majority of the students have expressed that the NSS programmes are bringing awareness about the nuclear family concept and benefits of women are child welfare programmes.
15. All most all the students responded that during summer season free drinking stall or organized by the NSS.
16. The majority of the students expressed that by working the village environment they are motivated to bring societal awareness among the people.
17. All most all the students responded that has a part of the NSS programmes they are conducting blood donation, medical camps or awareness rallies.
18. Most of the N.S.S. volunteers are donating blood whenever needed.
19. All most all the students responded that by conducting and participating in NSS programmes in different places they are able to participate in the culture and tradition of different people which is developing national integrity.

Educational Implications:

1. As the programmes are able to develop unity and discipline among the students it should be made compulsory at all levels.
2. It is essential to develop good leadership qualities among the cadets.
3. The N.S.S Programmes should form more on conducting to eradicate the social evils in the society.
4. The N.S.S. Programmes certificate should be given the importance and weight-age.
5. The NSS programmes should form more on disaster management.
6. The NSS programmes should develop life skills and soft skills and humanistic values among the students.

Suggestion for further research:

- 1) A study may be conducted to compare the N.S.S programmes conducted in different colleges.
- 2) The present study is only restricted to Sangareddy Division. It may be conducted in other district for further research.
- 3) The same study may be conducted by taking a large sample for effective generalizations.
- 4) A study may be conducted to collect the opinions of the N.S.S. officers about N.S.S. programmes.

Conclusion:

The study concludes that, the majority of the Graduate students have expressed that participating in the NSS programmes is creating friendly relationship, developing better cooperation and patience among the students. The NSS programmes are creating awareness among the people, eradicating superstitions and developing social service among the people. Participating in the NSS programmes is building self-confidence and unity.

The study recommends that, the colleges need to establish the National Service Scheme units in their institutions. The study also recommends that, it is desirable to take appropriate steps to encourage the large number of students to participate in these programmes.

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