



RATHA YATRA



NCC (SD&SW) Army wing Salipur Autonomous College, Salipur observed different social service activities in the session 2025-2026.

On 16/07/2025 NCC (SD&SW) Army wing observed Leadership of Lt.Jivanjyoti Pattanayak .On this day 95 cdts participated.

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadets play a significant role in major religious and cultural events like the Ratha Yatra, primarily as a part of their mandated Social Service and Community Development (SSCD) activities.

Their disciplined training, focus on teamwork, and commitment to selfless service make them valuable assets in managing large public gatherings.

Roles of NCC Cadets During Ratha Yatra

NCC cadets are typically deployed to assist the civil administration and police in various capacities to ensure the smooth and safe conduct of the massive festival.

1. Crowd and Traffic Management

- **Crowd Control:** Cadets assist in controlling the massive crowds of devotees, especially near the main chariot and on the procession routes, ensuring an orderly movement of people.
- **Traffic Regulation:** They help the local police manage traffic flow, direct vehicles, and ensure that emergency lanes are kept clear.

2. Social Service and Assistance

- **First Aid and Casualty Evacuation:** Cadets often work with local medical teams or NGOs to provide basic **first aid** to pilgrims who feel unwell, dehydrated, or sustain minor injuries. They also help in carrying the sick or injured to ambulance points.
- **Water Distribution:** They are instrumental in distributing **drinking water** and refreshments to the devotees, which is critical during the summer months when the Ratha Yatra is usually held.
- **Assistance to Elderly and Disabled:** They help senior citizens and people with disabilities navigate the crowds and get a glimpse of the chariots.

3. Cleanliness and Awareness

- **Cleanliness Drives:** Post-festival, cadets often participate in extensive **cleanliness and sanitation drives** around the temple and the procession route to clean up the area.
- **Social Awareness:** They may also spread awareness on topics like hygiene, sanitation, or even national integration among the gathered public.

Their participation is a practical application of the NCC motto, "Unity and Discipline," demonstrating their commitment to serving the community and developing into responsible citizens.



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