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# **Extension Activities**



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Awards and recognitions received for extension activities from government / government recognised bodies



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#### 3.4.2 Awards and Recognitions for Extension Services

- Nirmala Memorial Foundation College stands as a beacon of social responsibility, garnering accolades
  for its active engagement in diverse social activities. Anchored by dedicated units such as the NSS and
  DLLE, the college and its students have received numerous awards, recognizing their impactful
  contributions to societal well-being.
- In 2018, NSS volunteers showcased a compelling skit titled "The Journey of Self-Discovery: Understanding Transgender Identities" at a competition organized by Men Against Violence and Abuse (MAVA). The skit not only secured the third-place award but continued to resonate in subsequent tournaments, reinforcing the college's commitment to addressing critical social issues through artistic expression.
- Exemplifying the college's ethos of service, Mr. Balaji Banate, an NSS volunteer, earned the YES Foundation Fellowship in 2018. His 45-day stint with Helpage India involved organizing medical checkup camps and providing groceries to elderly couples. Balaji's outstanding performance was recognized with the prestigious Outstanding Performer Award, highlighting the impact of individual initiatives on societal welfare.
- **Mr. Prathmesh Sakpal**, another NSS volunteer, demonstrated both artistic prowess and a commitment to national integration at the National Integration Camp organized by the Government of Gujarat in January 2020. Winning the second prize in the Poster Making competition, Prathmesh's contributions were further acknowledged with an award for active participation in the camp.
- The NSS Unit's involvement in various social activities earned appreciation awards from organizations such as **Kushiyaan Foundation and Beach Warriors**. These accolades underscore the college's multifaceted approach to social impact, spanning community welfare and environmental conservation.
- Recognition from ISKON for the NSS volunteers' contribution during the International Youth
  Festival in January 2020 highlighted the versatility of their roles, from crowd control to guest
  escorting. This acknowledgment showcased the students' commitment to diverse volunteering
  responsibilities.
- In June 2019, NSS volunteers presented a skit titled "Embracing Vitiligo and Celebrating Uniqueness," advocating for inclusivity and acceptance. The Aarus Foundation honored the volunteers for their impactful contribution, and the skit continued to be performed at various competitions, spreading awareness about vitiligo and promoting societal acceptance.
- Participation in UDAAN, the University of Mumbai's Intercollegiate Festival in February 2020, showcased the college's diverse talents. Ms. Sanjana Singh hosted the festival, representing the



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Western Suburban Zone, while a team of two volunteers secured the third prize in a poster-making competition, further establishing the institution's prowess beyond academic achievements.

- The NSS volunteers, in collaboration with Child Help Foundation, played a crucial role in the TATA Mumbai Marathon 2023. Engaged in crowd management, providing refreshments, and offering motivation to participants, the volunteers received commendation for their valuable contributions to the event.
- Since 2019, the college has actively participated in the "Bottles for Change" project in collaboration
  with Bisleri. Students have diligently collected plastic, amassing a total of 684 kg, and delivered it for
  recycling. This sustained effort underscores the college's commitment to environmental sustainability
  and responsibility.
- Nirmala Memorial Foundation College's awards showcase its commitment to nurturing socially responsible individuals, preparing contributors for progress.