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To
The Editor,

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Sir,

I request that the following matter may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

TNAU NSS Special Camp Launched at Sokkanur

National Service Scheme special camp was inaugurated at Sokkanur Panchayat near Kinathukadavu on 23-5-2015. A total of 336 volunteers comprising of 243 girls and 93 boys along with programme officers participated. In the morning session, the adopted villages were surveyed by the volunteers for map preparation and also distributed the brochures and created awareness about the camp program.

The formal inaugural function of the National Service Scheme Special Camp started by 5.00 pm in the school premises at Sokkanur village. Around 100 farmers participated in this camp.

Introductory speech about the camp was delivered by Dr. K. Kumutha, NSS Program coordinator.

Mrs. Mani Sivamurugesan, President, Sokkanur panchayat, Mrs. Poongodi Kandasamy, Councillor, Sokkanur Panchayat and Mrs. Vennila Nataraj, Vice-President, Sokkanur Panchayat offered felicitations on the occasion.

Dr. C. Divakar Durairaj, Dean (Agricultural Engineering), TNAU, Coimbatore delivered the special address regarding the camp. He told that this program is a two way process and requires the cooperation of both the students and the people of the village.

Dr. M.R. Sreenivasan, Professor (Entomology), TNAU, Coimbatore also gave a special note on the NSS camp. He remarked that the basics learned in the camp lays the foundation for the organisational and leadership skills among students.

Dr. S. Mahimairaja, Dean (Agriculture), TNAU, Coimbatore delivered the presidential address. He quoted that India's life lies in the villages and also only when the villages are self-sufficient and flourishing, the country will prosper. He told that there must be all round development in the village including veterinary health, health and hygiene of the people and also the welfare of the society and stressed that the students must dedicate themselves according to the motto of NSS 'not me, but you'.

Earlier, NSS volunteer S.R. Aparna, II B.S. ABM, TNAU welcomed the gathering and Mr. Surendar, II B.Sc Agri., NSS volunteer, TNAU proposed a formal vote of thanks.

During the second day, in the morning session (8.00am-12.30pm) the NSS volunteers cleaned the school and temple premises in the adopted villages and also along the roadside.

The NSS volunteers undertook a rally based on 'Environmental Awareness' at 4.00pm. Various games such as balloon bursting, lemon and spoon, lucky corner, musical chair were conducted for children and women from 5.00pm. Part of the two day camp, a seminar on 'Uses of Microbes' was organized by the students with faculty support. The welcome speech was delivered by K. Sathyapriya, II B.Sc Agri followed by the felicitation of Mrs. Vennila Natraj (Vice-President, Sokkanur Panchayat)

Dr. K. Kumutha, Professor (Microbiology) has presided the seminar and delivered a special address. Dr. R. Mahesh Prabhu, NSS coordinator of Karunya University gave a special note on 'skills development of students in today's context'. The seminar came to an end with prize distribution for the winners of various competitions that were conducted earlier and vote of thanks by P. Kathiravan, II B.S ABM, TNAU.

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