

### **3.4.1 Extension activities neighborhood community in terms of impact and sensitizing to social issues and holistic development during the last five years**

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The College has made its noteworthy contribution to the society and environment by making a participation to promote College-Neighborhood-Community network. Major emphasis is given on student engagement, service orientation and holistic development of students contributing to good citizenship. NSS unit and a team of committed faculty members engage students in the community development programmes. Rural India has been facing uncleanliness, unhygienic, malnutrition conditions and the most important problem is open *defaecation*. Lack of awareness is noted among the villagers about such problems like health, cleanliness and diseases. Our NSS unit works for solving such social problems. Open *defaecation* problem may cause several communicable diseases among rural localities and pollute area. To solve this problem NSS unit and College has decided to construct four public toilets at adopted *Panhera* village. The toilets are successfully constructed with the help of NSS volunteers. The required fund for toilet construction was made available by contribution from teachers, students and management of our College. Construction of toilets makes influence on their use instead of open places by the villagers. Due to such activities students also get aware about sanitization. For abatement with deforestation and pollution problem NSS unit focused on tree plantation among villagers.

Our NSS volunteers actively participate in the rallies on AIDS awareness organize by government civil hospital; also conduct expert talks on HIV and female foeticide issues for the students. Other activities like sweet distribution among HIV<sup>+ve</sup>, physically and mentally challenged childrens. Annually, NSS unit organize health, blood donation and haemoglobin checkup camps in collaboration with government and non-government organizations. Also, physicians are invited to deliver their talk on health, nutrition and girls' related issues. These activities among students make positively impact on health awareness and personal hygiene. Working together with other individuals, students learn to negotiate, communicate, manage, conflict and lead others. Such programmes sensitize the student volunteers towards the social issues and take challenges of the lesser privileged sections of the society. Involvement in these extension and outreach activities the students develop critical thinking skills and time management. Working outside the college campus and with diversified social groups of peoples allows students to gain more self-confidence, autonomy, and appreciation for others. These activities help them to become good leaders and well mannered citizens.