

## **NCC Annual Report (May 2024 – 2025)**

National Cadet Corps in St. Mary's functions with an objective of inculcating unity and discipline among the cadets. It instills a spirit of selfless service to mankind through various social service activities. The cadets are trained to develop courage and comradeship, and to work together for the betterment of the society.

Our college NCC unit comes under the direct control of 3 TN Girls BN NCC, Tirunelveli. The cadets are trained and moulded by our ANO, Lt. Dr. F. Mary Priya, the Coy Commander and was assisted by the PI staff members and GCIs of our Battalion. The cadets are given training in firing practice, map reading, obstacle training, weapon handling and drill practice etc. In our college, NCC parades are conducted regularly on every Tuesday and Thursday in this academic year. The NCC unit of St. Mary's College comprises of 104 cadets at present and they undergo NCC training for three years. Apart from the regular training in the institution, the cadets get a wide exposure in camps and also interact with other cadets all over the country by participating in various National level (COC) camps. NCC paper was made as a non major elective for second year students, especially NCC cadets in the second year of their training since 2012.

The details of the various camps and events attended by our cadets and the activities organised by our college NCC unit are as follows:



**Firing Selection at St. John's School, Tirunelveli**

- Forty four cadets from second and third years attended Annual Training Camp (ATC) from 20<sup>th</sup> May to 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 at Sarah Tucker College, Tirunelveli and six second year cadets attended Combined Annual Training Camp (CATC) from 18<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2024 at NTA, Madurai. Eight cadets got selected for next level RDC camps and four got selected for TSC camps. We bagged runner up at Battalion level by winning five prizes in various competitions and brought laurels to our college.
- Eight cadets attended RDC IUC from 18.07.2024 to 27.07.2024 at NTA, Idaiyapatti and all the eight got selected for next level RDC camps. UO. Leebee Selvaa of III English along with three cadets altogether attended seven camps till IGC – RDC 2025 where Madurai NCC Group got the runner up trophy.
- UO. Leebee Selvaa of III English and Sgt. Ponrani of III Chemistry got selected to attend the Trekking camp at Ooty from 05.05.2024 to 13.05.2024 and won second place in Culturals at Directorate level.
- Cpl. Jeyadeepika of III Computer Science and L/Cpl. Kayavizhi of II Chemistry attended EBSB Camp at Kakinada, AP from 02.10.2024 to 12.10.2024 and also won the First place in Volleyball match and Second place in Group Dance competition at Directorate level.
- Cdt. Alshiya and Cdt. Kanagalakshmi of second year participated in RDC 2025 after decades. Cdt. Alshiya participated in Kartavyapath Drill and Cdt. Kanagalakshmi participated in Culturals and PM Rally 2025. In Drill competitions, our dte got first and in Culturals, we got second. Overall, TN, P & AN Directorate got third position among the seventeen Directorates.

- Cdt. Singarani, Cdt. Vinthya Asin and Cdt. Karthiga attended Army Attachment Camp at MRC, Wellington, Ooty from 26<sup>th</sup> January to 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025. They participated actively and got prize in cultural competition.
- On 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024, the International Day of Yoga events are conducted by our NCC unit along with the college Yoga Team. A Seminar on “Yoga for Women Empowerment” was organized on 20.06.2024. Ms. Malathi, Professor, SKY YOGA, Thoothukudi is the resource person. We all did yoga for an hour inside the college premises. We also conducted a painting competition for the NCC cadets and second year students of our college on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.
- On 30<sup>th</sup> July 2024, Kargil Vijay Diwas was commemorated with special lecture and also by screening war heroes documentary and a Kargil war movie. At the end of the event our cadets took a oath on the same day to serve nation as a good citizen.
- “Azadi Ka Mahotsav” Competitions was conducted on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2024 for our college NCC cadets and were given prizes. The NCC Contingent lead by Sgt. George Sweetly of III Physics done an excellent show during the flag hoisting on the Independence Day 2024.
- On 21<sup>st</sup> September 2024, we planted 50 saplings on tree plantation drive and also distributed 100 yellow bags and 30 jute bags insisting the public to avoid plastics during “Stop Pollution” rally. An Awareness talk was given by Mr. Rajasekaran, Thoothukudi Corporation Sanitary Officer on “Role of the Public and Youth in Nation’s Cleanliness Drive” and also an essay writing competition was conducted by the Thoothukudi Corporation team.

- On 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024, Swachaata Hi Seva was conducted by our NCC unit, at first we participated in the awareness rally. Then we organised a Guest lecture titled “Cleanliness is next to Godliness” and the day’s events ended with an oath taking ceremony.
- On 26<sup>th</sup> November 2024, we organised NCC Day Celebrations 2025 and all Thoothukudi institutions of our battalion participated in it. First we went for beach cleaning at Muthunagar beach under Puneet Sagar Abhiyan Scheme. Then we had special lectures from 3 great stalwarts of different fields addressed the gathering.
- On 21<sup>st</sup> December 2024, we visited old age home distributed daily essentials and groceries to them. 80 of our cadets participated in it and performed cultural to them in the topic of “Sharing and Caring”.
- On 26<sup>th</sup> January 2025, our cadets did NCC parade for the Republic Day in our college and were appreciated by all. UO. Leebee Selvaa of III English led the Contingent and captured the attention of the audience. They also actively perform piloting or guard (GoH) for honouring the dignitaries during the academic and NCC activities.

Our cadets participated in combined B & C Certificate Examination training of this year held at STC, Tirunelveli for two days. Then they had their OMR orientation and Model exam on 7<sup>th</sup> January, 2025. Thus cadets participated in B exam and C exam in the month of February 2025 with good results. Finally, our cadets participate both in the College and NCC events / competitions actively and have won many prizes and accolades this bringing laurels to our NCC unit, College and Battalion.