



## **Best Practices- 1**

**1. Title of the Practice:** The students served as Corona Warriors

**2. Duration (year of inception-year of discontinuation):** 2020-21 March – 2021 Yes

**3. Objectives of the Practice:** Serving society during the Covid-19 pandemic by students and volunteers.

**4. The Context:** Almost whole world was under Corona (covid-19) Pandemic and the WHO and Government announced Lockdown. Indian Government also announced Lockdown to fight with Covid -19 Pandemic. Rules and Guidelines were made to save people from infection from Corona. Social distancing maintained among people, close contact is avoided, use of mask became compulsory. Social gatherings were banned, school -colleges could not take class- room lectures, work from home and online teaching introduced. After two Lockdowns and Vaccination programme, Government ordered to open school -colleges with 50% of student strength and 50% of staff remain present. SOP guideline must be followed by the Institution. The Gujarat Government, Police Department, Medical Department require manpower in the form of volunteers to fight against covid-19 pandemic. Man-Power of Corona Warriors were required, serving the nation through students is the vision of our college.

NSS volunteers served as corona warriors in various departments of the government. The Covid-19 infection pattern was very rapid and the death knells. Some staff members and some students were infected with corona through air and hand-to-hand contact. Vaccination was not invented in the early stages. Later vaccination was available from the health department and vaccination centers were vaccinating people.

Police department strictly follow the guidelines and perform their duty to save lives of people. Doctors, nurses, support- staff policemen; All were serving as 'corona warriors'. They needed more manpower to handle the situation and serve better. Some of the college students readily accepted the above department's proposal and voluntarily accepted with the consent of their parents and joined the Health Department and Police Department to perform the assigned duty.

**5. The Practice:** The student volunteers were divided into three categories as per the work allocation by the college.

1. NSS volunteers to make masks
2. NSS volunteers help for vaccination
3. NSS Program Officers and faculty assisted in distribution of masks and kits



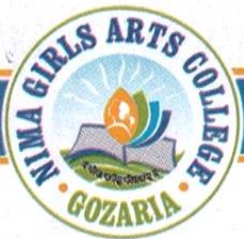
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1. **Making the mask:** NSS College Unit, Gozaria needed some volunteers to serve people and make masks to protect against Covid-19 infection. Some of these NSS volunteers joined in making the masks. Work distribution is planned for making masks. 2 girls for cutting cloth, 2 girls for sewing masks, 2 girls for fixing elastic and 2 girls for mask packing. These volunteers worked for a week and prepared around 1500 masks. Masks were donated in some areas of Mehsana and Patan districts. Some masks were also distributed to "Divyang" (physically challenged) persons.
2. **Vaccination Programme:** NSS volunteers served in the vaccination program with the local health department, Gozaria. At the request of the local health department, NSS volunteers readily joined and served. They served under the guidance of Medical Officers to vaccinate rural people. In this way NSS volunteers served as Corona Warriors.
3. **NSS Program Officers and Faculty assisted in distribution of masks and kits:** NSS program officers and faculty helped in distribution of masks and kits with rules and regulations during the Covid-19 pandemic. Distribution of masks and kits around Mehsana and Sami-Harij talukas of Mehsana and Patan districts helped the needy people regardless of Corona.

**6. Evidence of Success:** The institute inculcates values in the students. During the Covid-19 pandemic, the students accepted to serve the health department, and the kit along with mask making. These activities were very indispensable and useful to the society to avoid the Covid-19 infection. The above activities were life-saving activities. Students served actively and enthusiastically. The mask maker was awarded with a certificate by the college. NSS volunteers and faculty were felicitated with certificates for their invaluable service. The local health department appreciated the students who served during the vaccination program.

**7. Problems Encountered and Resources Required:** Covid- 19 Pandemic's impact was very dangerous and death knelling. Infection was spreading through air while breathing and hand to hand contact. As an institution it was a big challenge to call the students and prepare them to work with various departments, to work outside their village. They might be affected with Corona infection. In that situation it was very difficult to convince the students as well as parents of the students. Value of serving the nation persuaded to students and their parents. Safety precautions were taken like social distancing, use of mask, use of sanitizer. Students voluntarily joined the various departments and rendered the society and nation during Covid-19 Pandemic. No student was infected by Covid -19 during serving the various departments.

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**8. Notes (Optional):** Today Covid-19 is under control and people live normal life with safely measures. Vaccination of many people resulted in controlling Covid-19. The institution takes pride that some students rendered service of society and nation through working with various departments during Covid-19 Pandemic.



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