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सेवा में,

समस्त प्राचार्य / कार्यक्रम अधिकारी,

राष्ट्रीय सेवा योजना (NSS) से संबंधित समस्त महाविद्यालय,

विषय: MY Bharat-NSS Awards (2023-24) हेतु राष्ट्रीय सेवा योजना (NSS) इकाइयों, कार्यक्रम अधिकारियों एवं स्वयंसेवकों के नामांकन के संबंध में सूचना उपलब्ध कराये जाने के संबंध में।

महोदय / महोदया,

कृपया उपरोक्त विषय के सन्दर्भ में अवगत करना है कि शासन के पत्र संख्या–I/1522259/2026/सत्तर–रा०से०यो०को–2026, दिनांक 16.11.2026 के क्रम में आपको निर्देशित किया जाता है कि अपने महाविद्यालय के अंतर्गत संचालित राष्ट्रीय सेवा योजना (NSS) की इकाइयों, कार्यक्रम अधिकारियों एवं स्वयंसेवकों में से भारत सरकार द्वारा निर्धारित दिशा–निर्देशों के अनुरूप पात्र इकाइयों एवं अभ्यर्थियों का चयन करते हुए निर्धारित प्रारूप पर अपेक्षित सूचनाएं एवं नामांकन प्रस्ताव निर्धारित प्रारूप में पूर्ण कर दिनांक 30 नवम्बर, 2026, 12:00 बजे तक अनिवार्य रूप से विश्वविद्यालय के राष्ट्रीय सेवा योजना (NSS) कार्यालय में उपलब्ध कराना सुनिश्चित करें, जिससे प्राप्त प्रस्तावों का परीक्षण एवं समेकन करते हुए शासन को निर्धारित समय–सीमा के अंतर्गत प्रेषित किया जा सके।

सादर!

संलग्नक–यथोपरि ।

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प्रतिलिपिरू निम्नलिखित को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित–

1. विशेष कार्याधिकारी एवं राज्य संपर्क अधिकारी, राष्ट्रीय सेवा योजना, उत्तर प्रदेश शासन, लखनऊ।
2. कुलपति महोदय के निजी सचिव को माननीय कुलपति जी के सूचनार्थ।
3. प्रभारी, वेबसाइट/मीडिया सेल को विश्वविद्यालय की वेबसाइट पर अपलोड करने हेतु।
4. गार्ड फाइल।

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GUIDELINES FOR MY BHARAT- MY BHARAT-NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS) AWARDS

(AWARDS FOR 2023-24 TO BE CONFERRED DURING 2026-27)

1. INTRODUCTION:

1.1 MY Bharat-NSS was launched in the year 1969 (Mahatma Gandhi's Birth Centenary year), with the primary objective of developing the personality and character of the student youth through voluntary community service. The ideological orientation of the MY Bharat- NSS is inspired by the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi. Very appropriately, the motto of MY Bharat-NSS is *"NOT ME, BUT YOU"* (**'स्वयं से पहले आप'**).

1.2 Programme Structure: MY Bharat-NSS is being implemented in Senior Secondary Schools, Colleges and Universities. The design of the MY Bharat-NSS envisages that each educational institution covered under the Scheme has at least one MY Bharat-NSS unit comprising of normally 100 student volunteers, led by a teacher designated as Programme Officer (PO). Each MY Bharat-NSS unit adopts a village or slum for taking up its activities. MY Bharat-NSS volunteer is required to undertake the following work/ activities:

- **Regular MY Bharat-NSS Activity**: Each MY Bharat-NSS volunteer is required to put in minimum 120 hours of community service per year for two years, i.e., total 240 hours. This work is undertaken in villages/ slums adopted by MY Bharat-NSS unit or school/college campuses, usually after study hours or during weekends.
- **Special Camping Programme**: Each MY Bharat-NSS unit organises a Special Camp of 7 days' duration in adopted villages or urban slums during vacations with some specific projects by involving the local communities. Each volunteer is required to participate in a Special Camp once during the 2-year period.

1.3 Nature of Activities under MY Bharat-NSS: Briefly, MY Bharat-NSS volunteers work on issues of social relevance, which keep evolving in response to the needs of the community, through regular and special camping activities. Such issues include (i) literacy and education, (ii) health, family welfare and nutrition, (iii) environment conservation, (iv) social service programmes, (v) programmes for empowerment of women, (vi) programmes

connected with economic development activities, (vii) rescue and relief during calamities, etc.

2. OBJECTIVE OF MY BHARAT-NSS AWARDS:

The objective of MY Bharat-NSS Awards is to recognise and reward outstanding contributions towards voluntary community service made by the Universities/ Senior Secondary (+2) Councils, MY Bharat-NSS Units/ Programme Officers and MY Bharat-NSS Volunteers, with a view to further promote MY Bharat-NSS.

3. NATURE OF AWARDS:

The following Awards are conferred every year:

S. No	Category	No. of Awards	Value of Award
1.	University/ +2 Council	02	• **First Award**: Rs. 5,00,000/- (for MY Bharat-NSS Programme Development) with a Trophy to the University/ +2 Council. A Certificate and a Silver Medal to the Programme Coordinator. • **Second Award**: Rs. 3,00,000/- (for MY Bharat-NSS Programme Development) with a Trophy to the University/ +2 Council. A Certificate and a Silver Medal to the Programme Coordinator.
2.	MY Bharat-NSS Units and their Programme Officers	10 + 10	Rs. 2,00,000/- to each MY Bharat-NSS Unit (For MY Bharat-NSS Programme Development), with a Trophy. Rs. 1,50,000/- to each Programme Officer with a Certificate and a Silver Medal.
3.	MY Bharat-NSS Volunteers	30	Rs. 1,00,000/- to each Volunteer, with a Certificate and a Silver Medal.

In addition to the above, **Certificates of Appreciation** may be given to a very limited number of nominees as recommended by the committee.

4. CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY AND PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:

4.1 University/ +2 Council:

4.1.1 Eligibility Conditions: The following conditions should be fulfilled in order to be eligible for consideration for the Award:

a. The University (which should be duly recognised by UGC/Central/State Government)/ +2 Council should be implementing MY Bharat-NSS programmes continuously for at least last 5 years (including the year *for which* the Awards are being conferred).
b. The University/+2 Council should have a minimum strength of 5,000 MY Bharat-NSS volunteers (as on the last date of the financial year *for which* the Awards are being conferred).
c. The University/ +2 Council should have achieved at least 75% of the MY Bharat-NSS enrolment and Special Camping targets for last 3 years (including the year *for which* the Award is being conferred). The allocation of volunteers given to University/+2 Council by the State Government during the State Advisory Committee meeting should be enclosed.
d. MY Bharat-NSS functionaries under the University/+2 Council should not have been convicted by a court of law and there should not be any case/investigation pending against any of them.
e. The University/+2 Council that has already been conferred with the MY Bharat-NSS Award, shall not be eligible for the Award again for a period of three years after the year *for which* the Award was conferred.
f. The States/ UTs from which a University/+2 Council has received Award in a particular year, shall not be considered for Award for next 2 years.

4.1.2 Criteria for Performance Evaluation: The Performance of the Universities/+2 Councils shall be evaluated based of objective criteria, including their achievements in plantation of saplings, blood donation, organisation of health/ eye/ immunisation camps, organisation of awareness programmes/rallies/campaigns on various issues, creation of durable assets through shramadaan, organisation of national-level/ regional-level programmes and other outstanding achievements. The achievements during last 3 years (including the year *for which* the Award is being conferred) shall be taken into account for this purpose. ***Since, the Award is being conferred for the year 2023-24, the period of 3 years for consideration of achievements would lie between 2021-22 (01.04.2021) to 2023-24 (31.03.2024).***

4.2 MY Bharat -NSS Units and their Programme Officers:

4.2.1 Eligibility Conditions: The following conditions should be fulfilled in order to be eligible for consideration for the Award:

a. The MY Bharat-NSS Unit to be considered for the Award shall be a single MY Bharat-NSS Unit. Thus, in case a Programme Officer is in-charge of more than one MY Bharat-NSS Units for any reason, one of such Units should be identified and all the data should be furnished for that particular unit only.
b. The MY Bharat-NSS Unit should have been in existence continuously for at least 5 years (including the year *for which* the Awards are being conferred).
c. The volunteer strength of the MY Bharat-NSS Unit should be as per guidelines during last 3 years (including the year *for which* the Awards are being conferred).
d. The MY Bharat-NSS Unit should have adopted a village/ slum as per guidelines and achieved Special Camping targets during last 3 years (including the year for which the Award is being conferred).
e. The Programme Officer should have completed at least 2 years (as on the last date of the financial year for which the Award is being conferred) as the Programme Officer of the particular MY Bharat-NSS Unit which is being considered for the Award.
f. The Programme Officer should have been trained at an ETI.
g. The Programme Officer should not have been convicted by a court of law and there should not be any case/ investigation pending against him/ her.

4.2.2 Criteria for Performance Evaluation: The Performance of the MY Bharat-NSS Unit shall be evaluated based of objective criteria, including their achievements in plantation of saplings, blood donation, organisation of health/ eye/ immunisation camps, organisation of awareness programmes/ rallies/ campaigns on various issues, creation of durable assets through shramadaan and other outstanding achievements. The achievements during last 3 years (including the year *for which* the Award is being conferred) shall be taken into account for this purpose. ***Since, the Award is being conferred for the year 2023-24, the period of 3 years for consideration of achievements would lie between 2021-22 (01.04.2021) to 2023-24 (31.03.2024).***

4.3 MY Bharat -NSS Volunteers:

4.3.1 Eligibility Conditions: The following conditions should be fulfilled in order to be eligible for consideration for the Award:

a. The MY Bharat-NSS Volunteer should have completed 2 years' volunteership under MY Bharat-NSS during the year for which Award is being conferred (since the Award is conferred for a particular year, volunteers completing their volunteership prior to that year cannot be considered for the Award). In other words, the MY Bharat-NSS volunteer should have been a student, pursing a regular course & MY Bharat-NSS volunteer, at least for a part of the year for which he/ she is being nominated.

b. The MY Bharat-NSS Volunteer should have completed minimum 240 hours of community service during the 2 consecutive years of volunteership.
c. The MY Bharat-NSS Volunteer should have attended at least one Special Camp.
d. The MY Bharat-NSS Volunteer should have attended at least one National/ Regional MY Bharat-NSS programme like R.D/ Pre-RD Parade Camps, National Integration Camps, North East Youth Festivals, National Youth Convention/ Suvichar under National Youth Festival, Adventure Camps, etc.
e. The MY Bharat-NSS Volunteers should not be more than 25 years of age (28 years in case of SC/ST) as on the last date of the financial year for which the Award is being conferred.
f. The MY Bharat-NSS Volunteer should not have been convicted by a court of law and there should not be any case/ investigation pending against him/ her.
g. ***The MY Bharat-NSS Volunteer who has already been conferred with National Youth Award shall not be eligible to apply for MY Bharat-Award.***

4.3.2 Criteria for Performance Evaluation: The Performance of the MY Bharat-NSS Volunteer shall be evaluated based of objective criteria, including their achievements in plantation of saplings, blood donation, attending health/ eye/ immunisation camps, attending awareness programmes/ rallies/ campaigns on various issues and other outstanding achievements. The achievements shall be considered for the 2-year volunteership period, which should fall within last 3 years (including the year *for which* the Award is being conferred). The MY Bharat-NSS volunteers should indicate his/ her personal achievements only, and not the achievements of the entire MY Bharat-NSS unit. For instance, in the 'saplings planted' category, he/she should indicate saplings planted by him/ her personally and not the saplings planted by the entire MY Bharat-NSS unit. Similarly, in the 'blood donated' category, he/she should indicate number of units of blood personally donated by him/her, and not the total number of units of blood donated by all volunteers in a blood donation camp attended by him/ her. ***Since, the Award is being conferred for the year 2023-24, the period of 3 years for consideration of achievements would lie between 2021-22 (01.04.2021) to 2023-24 (31.03.2024).***

5. PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION:

5.1 Selection Committees: The selection shall be done through a multi-stage objective selection process, starting with senior secondary school/college level and going up to National level. The composition of Selection Committees at various levels shall be as follows:

a. **At the College/ School level**, the Committee shall comprise of the Principal of the College/School (Chairperson), the Programme Officer (convenor) and an eminent person. (Eminent persons should not be from the same Institution/University).
b. **At the University/ +2 Council Level**, the Committee shall comprise of the Vice Chancellor/ Head of the +2 Council (Chairperson), Programme Coordinator (convenor), Dean of Student Welfare/ Director of College Development Council and 2 eminent persons. (Eminent persons should not be from the same Institution/University). Quorum of meeting shall be 3.

c. **At the State Level**, the Committee shall comprise of the Secretary in-Charge of MY Bharat-NSS (Chairperson), State MY Bharat-NSS Officer (convenor), Regional Director, MY Bharat-NSS, Director of Higher/School Education, Director/ Coordinator of the ETI(s) concerned and 2 eminent persons. Quorum of meeting shall be 3.

d. **At the National Level**, the Committee shall comprise of the Secretary, Youth Affairs (Chairperson), Joint Secretary, Youth Affairs, Director, MY Bharat-NSS, Secretary, UGC, Secretary or his representative, AIU or his representative and 2 eminent persons. The Under Secretary, MY Bharat-NSS shall function as convenor of the Committee.

5.2 Other Guidelines/ Instructions: Some other guidelines/ instructions in this regard are as follows:

a. The States/ UTs should not recommend any case where even the minimum eligibility conditions, as specified Para-4.1.1, 4.2.1 and 4.3.1 are not met.

b. Each State/ UT can recommend *maximum* **one University/ +2 Council, 2 MY Bharat -NSS Units (along their Programme Officers) and 4 MY Bharat-NSS Volunteers (2 Boys and 2 Girls)**. Recommendations in excess of this number shall be rejected outright.

c. The recommendations should be arranged in the order of merit. The names upto stipulated number of participants in the list would be considered and the rest would be rejected as excess.

d. Check List (as applicable) should be filled up in prescribed proforma and attached with the Proposal.

e. The selection of Awardees is normally done on the basis of proposal papers/ documents received from States/ UTs. However, in case of apparent inconsistencies in the contents of the proposal papers, the Department of Youth Affairs, Government of India, may seek clarifications from concerned States/ UTs or get the facts physically verified by deputing officials.

f. ***The responsibility verification of any information furnished in the proposal by the applicant would lie with the concerned State/UT Govt. The Government of India would not be held accountable in whatsoever manner for any false information furnished by the applicant in the proposal. In case any information furnished in the proposal is found to be incorrect at any stage of the selection process, the nomination of such awardees would be cancelled.***

g. ***All the facts indicated in the proposal (including checklist and the enclosed proforma) are to be supported by necessary proof/documentary evidence. In the absence of any such proof, the information indicated in that particular category would not be evaluated and would be awarded Zero marks.***

h. The maximum number of Awards to be conferred from any single State/UT shall be restricted to 2 Awards under 'MY Bharat-NSS Volunteers' category and one Award under the 'MY Bharat-NSS Unit and their Programme Officers' category. This is to ensure broad-based representation of States/UTs.

6. SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS AND RELATED MATTERS:

6.1 The nominations for the Award shall be furnished to the Ministry through proper channel in the enclosed prescribed Proforma.

6.2 The application for MY Bharat-NSS Awards should contain no more than 100 pages. More than 100 pages or voluminous documents attached with the application will not be entertained and will be rejected outright.

6.3 Pasting of cutting of Newspapers and Photographs should be avoided in the application. Only relevant documents/certificates should be attached. Each page of application should be numbered.

6.4 Incomplete application shall be rejected and no correspondence will be entertained in this regard.

6.5 (a) The selected Awardees shall be invited for National Awards Ceremony. Vice Chancellors/ Programme Coordinators of the Universities and Principals/Programme Officers of College/ School will be entitled to travel by Economy Class Air Fare.

6.5 (b) Selected MY Bharat-NSS volunteers will be entitled for II Class AC train by shortest route.

6.5 (c) In case of NE States, Air Travel will be allowed between the concerned State and Guwahati/ Kolkata (to and fro) for MY Bharat-NSS volunteers, beyond which the journey is to be undertaken by train as per entitled class.

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