

## Awareness Program on Anti- Terrorism Day

Date: 21st May 2025

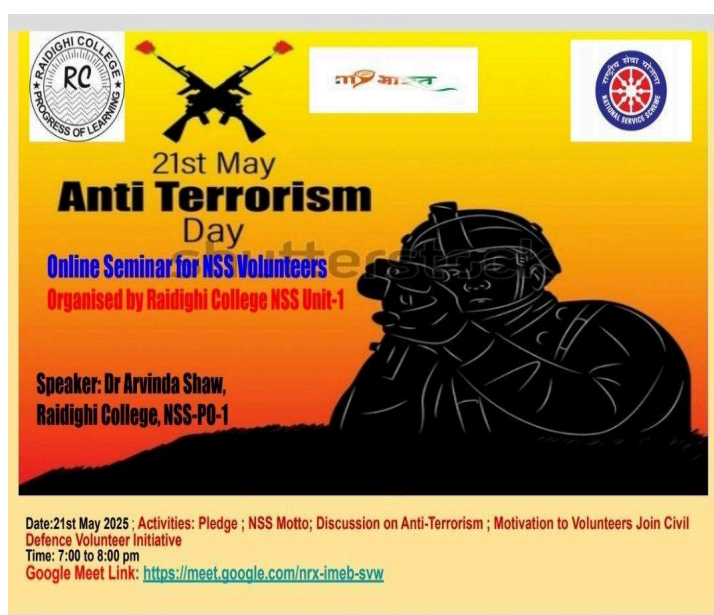
Time: 7 to 8pm

Mode: Online Seminar ( Google Meet)

Organised by: Raidighi College NSS Unit-1

Speaker: Dr Arvinda Shaw, PO-1

Participants: 11 volunteers



### Objective:

The main aim of the program was to observe **Anti-Terrorism Day** with sincerity and responsibility, and to raise awareness among students about the destructive impact of terrorism on national unity, public safety, and human rights. The program emphasized the importance of peace, communal harmony, and collective responsibility, especially among youth. Through this event, volunteers were encouraged to develop critical thinking, civic engagement, and a compassionate outlook towards conflict resolution. Event Overview:

On 21st May 2025, NSS Unit I of Raidighi College organized an Online Awareness Program to mark Anti-Terrorism Day. The event was held via Google Meet, and was attended by 11 enthusiastic NSS volunteers under the guidance of Dr. Arvinda Shaw, the Programme Officer (PO-1).

The session commenced with a warm welcome address by the PO, followed by a brief introduction about the significance of Anti-Terrorism Day – commemorating the death anniversary of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, who was assassinated on this day in 1991. This served as a reminder of the devastating consequences of terrorism and the need for collective vigilance and unity.

## **Event Overview:**

On the evening of 21st May 2025, NSS Unit I of Raidighi College conducted a special Online Awareness Program in observance of Anti-Terrorism Day. The session was hosted on Google Meet and facilitated by the dedicated and experienced NSS Programme Officer, Dr. Arvinda Shaw.

Though virtual in nature, the program was no less impactful. The solemn occasion began with an acknowledgment of the historical significance of the day – the death anniversary of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, who was assassinated by a terrorist attack in 1991. The context was provided to reinforce the real-world impact of terrorism and the importance of cultivating a culture of peace, awareness, and youth leadership.

## **Activities Conducted:**

### **1. Pledge Taking Ceremony:**

All participants took part in a solemn Anti-Terrorism Day Pledge, affirming their commitment to stand against all forms of violence and terrorism. The pledge was read aloud together, with students raising their hands as a mark of unity and responsibility. The digital pledge was shared with all, and many students voluntarily recorded themselves reciting it to share on social media as a form of digital awareness. This small but symbolic act strengthened their commitment to being ambassadors of peace.

### **2. Understanding the NSS Motto – "Not Me, But You"**

Dr. Shaw offered a thoughtful explanation of the NSS motto, encouraging volunteers to embody the principles of selflessness, empathy, and active service. She explained how the spirit of service and unity directly opposes the divisive ideologies that terrorism thrives on. Real-life examples were shared, including how NSS volunteers in other states have worked during crises—such as floods, health emergencies, and communal tensions—to spread peace and aid relief efforts.

### **3. Role of NSS Volunteers in Community Service:**

The discussion moved into how NSS volunteers are key agents of change in their communities. Volunteers shared personal stories, such as helping elderly citizens during COVID-19 lockdowns, organizing donation drives, and conducting awareness campaigns on sanitation and education. These experiences were connected to the broader goal of preventing social alienation—a factor that often leads to extremism. Dr. Shaw reminded the students that small acts of service create an environment of safety and inclusion, reducing the space for radicalism to grow.

Description of the event: On 21st May 2025 Raidighi College NSS Unit 1 organised an online seminar to observe Anti Terrorism Day- though Google Meet where the above mentioned activities were done.

#### **4. Student Perspective on Anti-Terrorism Day:**

The session then opened up for student interaction, where volunteers reflected on the relevance of Anti-Terrorism Day from a youth perspective. Some talked about how media influences young minds, others discussed the importance of global unity in combating ideological hate. Sanchari Ghosh, a Semester II student, shared a self-composed Hindi poem titled "Shanti Ka Deep" (The Lamp of Peace), which emotionally moved everyone. Students also touched upon the importance of mental health, education, and tolerance in building a safer future.

#### **5. Motivation to Join the Civil Defence Volunteers Initiative – My Bharat:**

In the final segment, Dr. Shaw gave an engaging presentation on the My Bharat platform and the Civil Defence Volunteers Initiative, highlighting how this national-level initiative enables the youth to contribute to emergency response, public safety, and disaster management. Step-by-step guidance was given on how to log into the portal and register. Students were encouraged to take a leadership role in their communities by preparing themselves for real-world challenges, both natural and man-made.

#### **Interactive Insights:**

The session was vibrant and engaging throughout. Participants actively took part in polls, Q&A rounds, and discussion prompts. One highlight was the spontaneous sharing of real incidents from the news where citizens had prevented acts of violence through courage and alertness.

A short 4-minute video created by former NSS seniors of the college titled "We Stand for Peace" was also presented, showing a montage of peaceful protests, candle marches, and service activities carried out across the country.

Even after the session ended, several students stayed back for post-event interaction, sharing their excitement about joining future awareness campaigns, particularly those related to communal harmony and youth leadership.

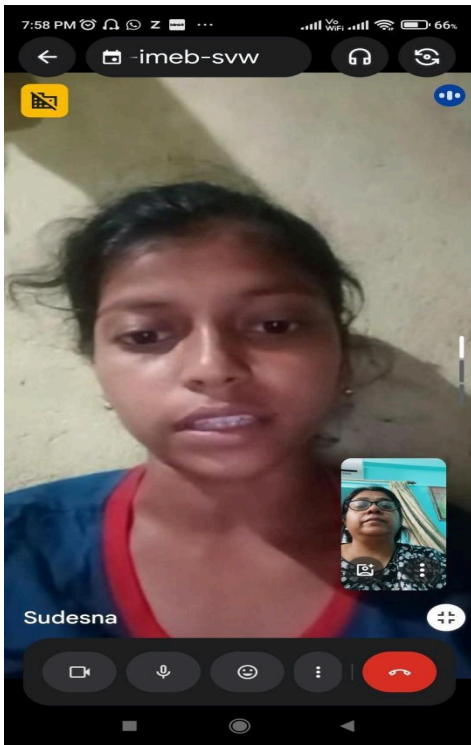
#### **Conclusion:**

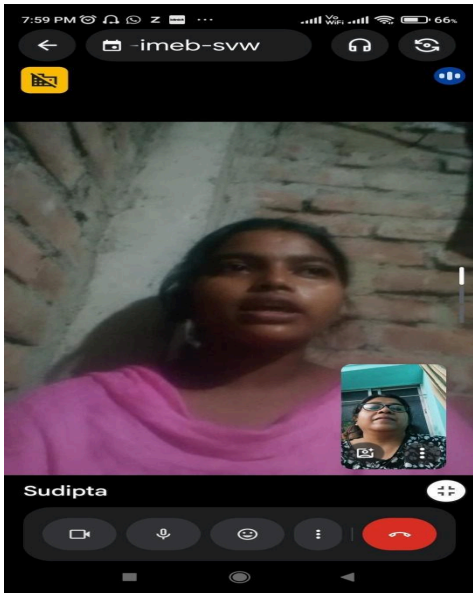
The Anti-Terrorism Day Awareness Program organized by Raidighi College NSS Unit I was not only a success in terms of execution but also a meaningful and reflective experience for all who attended. Dr. Arvinda Shaw concluded the session with a powerful message:

> "We may not wear uniforms or hold weapons, but our pens, minds, and voices are strong enough to fight terrorism. We are the protectors of peace."

The event ended with a group screenshot and applause, followed by the release of a digital banner with the theme "Youth Against Terror – Together for Peace."

All volunteers were deeply inspired and expressed a desire to work more actively in their future NSS projects, with many confirming their intent to register as Civil Defence Volunteers on My Bharat.














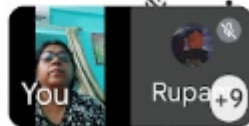
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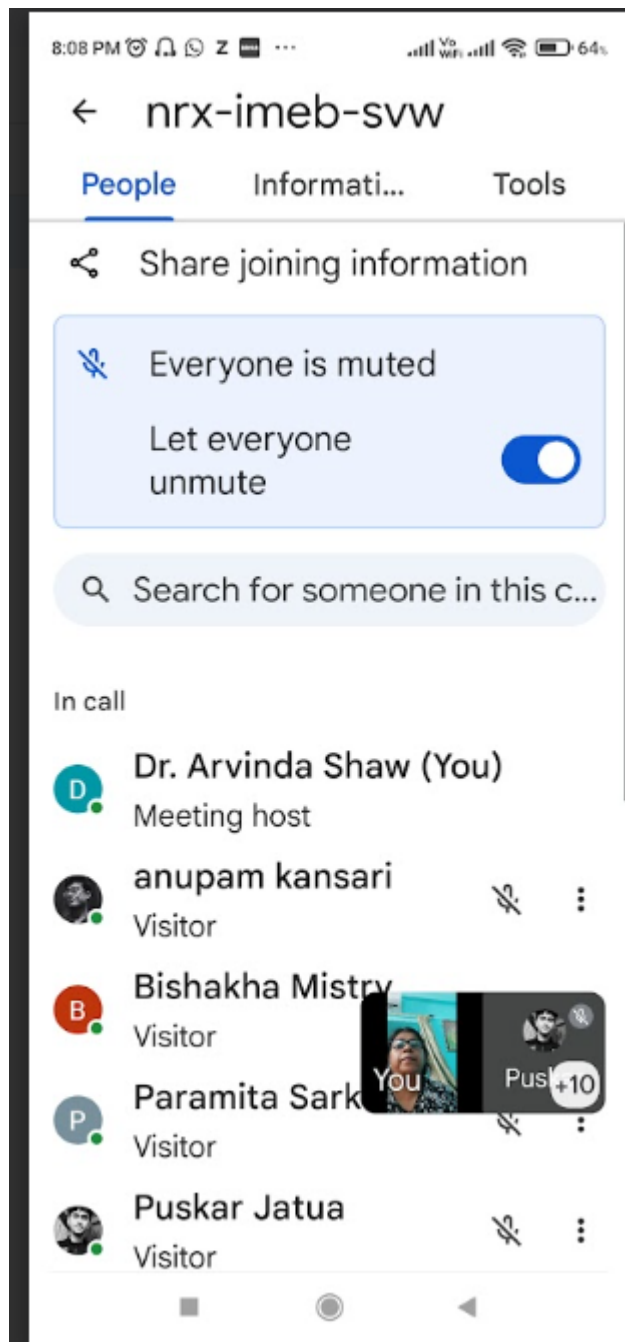
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