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National Development Volunteer Programme for Colleges



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Preamble

The Society for Education Economic Development focuses on developing education and the economy by establishing a connection between the two. To achieve this goal, it has set up the Indian Colleges Forum, which provides a platform for college principals to discuss issues related to the development of colleges for national and global development. The forum has held 25 national conferences across the country on higher education and national and global development themes. It has also organized leadership development programs for principals and implemented an International Diploma in Educational Leadership for Higher Education.

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SEED aims to develop youth by involving them in local, regional, national, and global development through a knowledge-based voluntary service system. The proposed scheme is the Development Volunteer Scheme for higher education institutions, including colleges and universities. The scheme will have three levels: Local/Regional Development Volunteers, National Development Volunteers (NDVs), and Global Development Volunteers (GDVs). The volunteers will continue to serve the cause of development after completion of their studies as senior development volunteers.

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OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME



The objective of the Development Volunteer Scheme is to inspire and provide necessary knowledge, skills, and encouragement to youth for voluntary participation in the development of the country. This includes volunteering for rural development, women empowerment, national integration, environment, calamity and event management. Participate in knowledge, skills, values and leadership development programs. The scheme aims to develop a network of volunteers and link them with developmental agencies and organizations. It also seeks to help National Development Volunteers in their career and professional development by providing knowledge, skills and linking them with potential employers or enterprise promotion agencies.

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ELIGIBILITY TO BECOME DEVELOPMENT VOLUNTEERS

To become a National Development Volunteer, a person above 18 years of age and registered as a student in a college needs to sign an application form recommended and forwarded by the authorized person by the head of the college and university. Preference will be given to those who have participated in NSS and NCC programs. The applicant should also subscribe to the concept of voluntary service, take a pledge to serve people in India and globally, and commit to career and professional development with high standards of values.

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PARTICIPATION OF DEVELOPMENT VOLUNTEERS

Under the Development Volunteer Scheme, a volunteer is expected to participate in a two-week knowledge, skill and leadership development program each year to become a responsible National Development Volunteer. They are also expected to participate in two weeks of voluntary service each year for the development of people in India and abroad. The volunteer will receive a certification of participation, signed by the national body and the head of the higher education institution, based on the duration of their service - Basic Service for 4 weeks, Advanced Service for 8 weeks, and Very Advanced Service for 12 weeks over two or three years.

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Silver, Gold and Diamond Services Medal



Development Volunteers who engage in higher order social service will be awarded silver, gold, and diamond medals based on recommendations from the organization and head of the institution. Higher order social service includes emergency situation management, display of courage, service with larger impact on the community, risk services, and innovative and out of the box services that benefit society and humanity at large.

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Registration of Development Volunteers

A registration office and website for Development Volunteers will be set up by SEED in Delhi. The website will have two categories for registration: National Development Volunteers and Global Development Volunteers. The registered volunteers' profiles will be updated annually with their progress in college/university and voluntary service. The website will also serve as a platform for sharing information about national and global development schemes and will post activities and achievements by institutions and volunteers. Additionally, the website will provide information on career options, opportunities to display volunteer talent, and job options, including international voluntary programs and post-education job options.

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DV (Digital Volunteers) are expected to adhere to the principles of cooperation, fellow feeling, service to people, and voluntary contribution to society through their knowledge, skills, and service. They are expected to undergo skill training in disaster management and engage in the development of their country. They should take an oath to serve the country, observe decency and decorum in social behavior, be polite but firm while advocating for the right cause, and help old and needy citizens in various ways while giving them respect and assistance in their needs.

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Organization of Development Volunteer Scheme

NATIONAL LEVEL BOARD AT SEED OFFICE

A Board of Development Volunteer Scheme will be formed with 15 members consisting of a President, two eminent persons, two educationists, two eminent social workers, two eminent principals of colleges, two vice chancellors of universities, two eminent volunteers, and two secretaries. The board will make key decisions and meet at least twice a year. Members can serve two terms of up to three years each, and new members will be nominated by the board. The first secretary will present the progress report and minutes of the meeting, and decisions will be made by majority vote, with the President having an extra vote in case of a tie. Progress reports and decisions will be uploaded on the NDV Website.

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COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LEVEL BODY

A local college and university level body will be established, consisting of the Head of the Institution, two Academic Volunteer Group Leaders, and an Academic Group Leader for every 10 teams. The group will make decisions in accordance with the NDV Scheme and Policy, and will meet at least twice a year. The First Team Leader will act as secretary and present progress reports, agendas, and meeting minutes. The Head of the Institution will send the progress report and minutes to the SEED office, and they will be uploaded on the NDV website.

At the college/university level, NDV teams are organized into groups of 10 with a voluntary team leader for each team. Each college can have a maximum of 10 teams, while universities can have up to 20 teams. Additionally, there will be one academic volunteer group leader for every 10 teams.

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Role of Team Leader

A Team Leader will coordinate the activities of the team.

He/She will provide leadership by way of organizing activities for his team and group of teams in consultation with Academic Volunteer Group leader.

Role of Academic Volunteer Group Leader

Academic Volunteer Group leader will coordinate the activities of 10 teams and prepare plan for implementation in consultation with each team leader for knowledge and skill development and voluntary service for two week each aspect in a academic year. Activities can be planned during holidays and vacations.

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List of Activities

The given Annexure-1 provides a list of knowledge and skill development activities and voluntary service suggestions. Team leaders, Academic Voluntary Group Leaders, and Head of institutions can add to this list and inform NDV office in SEED, Delhi for website upload. Two team leaders out of 10-20 will be nominated on the committee by the institution's head. Development Volunteers can continue as alumni DVs with the college for two years after completing their studies.

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GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT VOLUNTEERS

Global Development Volunteers is a program that allows Development Volunteers who have completed eight weeks of voluntary service to register as volunteers with specific skills and interests. The program has a separate registry of these volunteers and their names will be made available to international agencies seeking voluntary services from the youth. The program also recommends deserving candidates to the UN Voluntary Service Scheme for voluntary service opportunities.

Registration Fee

Every volunteer needs to pay an annual registration fee of Rs. 200/-. Half of this fee will be given to the college for organizing volunteer activities, and the college will maintain the accounts and send an audited income and expenditure statement to the SEED office annually. Global Development Volunteers need to pay an annual fee of Rs. 500/- and will remain Global Volunteers for two years after completing their studies. They will also be listed as alumni DVs for two years on the college's rolls.

Registration Link :

<https://forms.gle/RyxNVQ8kVYnp9pSk7>

Mobilization Funds for DVS

The NDV Board plans to collect funds for DVS from a variety of sources such as development agencies, government youth programs, philanthropists, and international organizations. They will present an annual audited statement of income and expenditure to the board and relevant authorities.

Closure of Scheme

A college can request to close a scheme by giving one year's notice to students and the NDV Board, and providing reasons for the closure. Alternatively, the NDV Board can request the closure of the scheme by providing reasons and giving one year's notice to the college.

Disciplinary Action

If a development volunteer shows any kind of indiscipline, they can be removed from the scheme after one hearing and with reasons assigned by the Team Leader/Academic Volunteer Group Leader/Head of institutions. The same applies to Team Leaders and Academic Volunteer Group Leaders, who can be removed by the Head of the Institutions if found indulging in indiscipline or activities detrimental to the cause of voluntary service. Information regarding disciplinary action will be sent to the NDV office in SEED, and relevant information will be uploaded on the website.