#### 7.3. Institutional Distinctiveness

#### Response:-

NSS scheme was launched in Gandhiji's centenary year in 1969. It is beneficial to both students as well as society. It helps the students to grow individually and also in a group. The motto of NSS is "NOT ME, BUT YOU" which suits to the vision of our institute. Therefore, our NSS unit is distinctive for various reasons worth to mention. NSS is such a beauty parlour where the make-up of service lasts forever. The college launched NSS unit way back in the year 1978. Earlier, we had a unit of 100 students. With the passage of time, demand from students for opting NSS grew. Considering the growing demand of the students, the college had to demand increase in strength (200) to the University which was accepted in 2002.

The aim of this unit is to inculcate a feeling of sacrifice, a spirit of service and a sense of togetherness among students. The NSS volunteers of our college have participated in many state and national level camps.

NSS activities were broadly divided into two parts namely Regular programs and Special camp.

## **Regular Programme Activities**

### (2014-15)

- In 2014-15 as a part of regular programmes, we celebrated the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Lalbahadur Shastri, Swami Vivekanand, Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan and the death anniversary of Saint Gadge Baba.
- On 14<sup>th</sup> of Aug.2014 Shramdan was organized in the college campus to convey the importance of dignity of labour to the students.
- On 15<sup>th</sup> of August 2014, Tree Plantation Programme was taken.
- On 16<sup>th</sup> Sep.2014, Orientation Programme was arranged for new NSS volunteers.
- On 24<sup>th</sup> September 2014 NSS day was celebrated. Dr. Narayan Mehare delivered a talk on the importance of NSS.

- Road Safety Drive was organized during 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> Jan.2015 in association with Police
  Department. The NSS volunteers gave the message of following traffic rules by
  standing at various squares of Yavatmal city.
- On 7<sup>th</sup> Feb.2015 Blood Donation Camp was organized in college premises. 70 volunteers donated blood.
- On 15<sup>th</sup> Nov.2014 and 14 Dec.2014 NSS volunteers participated in 'Swachhata Abhiyan' in the college campus

# **Special Programme Activities**

#### 2014-15

The NSS unit of the college adopted Pandhari (Ghodkhindi) village, Yavatmal. A special camp was arranged there during 18<sup>th</sup>Jan.2015 to 25<sup>th</sup>Jan.2015. There were 100 volunteers in the camp for a week. The volunteers of the college rendered social service and made rural folks aware about the various aspects like health, hygiene, social, moral, ethical, principles and ways of life.

- On 21<sup>st</sup> Jan.2015, NSS volunteers presented a street play on the topic "Dowry System" in NSS camp.
- On 22<sup>nd</sup>Jan.201,5volunteers participated in De-addiction Rally which highlighted evil effects of addiction in life.
- On 23<sup>rd</sup>Jan.2015, Baliraja Chetna Abhiyan and Swachhata Abhiyan Rally were organized by volunteers to highlight the problems of farmers and cleanliness.

NSS volunteers built Bandhara (Dike) in the village to store water.