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## 2018-2019

Name of the Department/Society: National Service Scheme Name of the Event 16: Visit to Guru Vishram Vridh Ashram Date of the Event: 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2018

"Without respecting its past, the present cannot look forward to a promising future." The volunteers of NSS Hansraj started the 'Joy of Giving' week by taking the blessings of the elderly residing at Guru Vishram Vridh Ashram. The volunteers were briefed by the authorities about the plight of senior citizens who are abandoned by their next of kin. They narrated some of their past experiences in the field which were both heart-breaking and eye-opening. The volunteers visited the medical ward of the old age home where the patients were under constant surveillance of the doctors and nurses, and were received with wide smiles and divine blessings in the resting ward where they spent about an hour and a half interacting with them and dancing to the tunes of their favourite songs. The realisation that followed the interaction was really intriguing - the abandoned senior citizens who live in old age homes have lots of stories to tell and talents to display, but they seldom come across the ready-to-listen ears and welcoming eyes. The visit that rather started with a lot of energy and enthusiasm left the entire team with tearful eyes and in a state of introspection - of the society's behaviour towards those who paved its path of success and glory.



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