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18 KARNATAKA BATTALION NCC, MANGALORE



GADAIKALLU (NARASIMHA GUDDE) AND DIDUPE WATERFALLS	
Date: 07/01/2024	Time: 06:00 AM to 10:00 PM
Organizers: • AIET NCC ARMY wing • Youth Hostels Association of India (YHAI)	Venue: Belthangady
Introduction. The National Cadet Corps (NCC) cadets, in collaboration with the Youth Hostels Association of India (YHAI), organized a trekking expedition and clean-up campaign at Gadaikallu (NarasimhaGudde) and Didupe Waterfalls. This report encapsulates the successful execution of the event and its impact on environmental conservation and community engagement.	
Objective: The primary objective of the expedition was to promote environmental stewardship among NCC cadets and YHAI members through experiential learning and hands-on participation. The event aimed to achieve the following goals: • Explore the natural beauty of Gadaikallu (NarasimhaGudde) and Didupe Waterfalls. • Contribute to the preservation of these ecological treasures by conducting a comprehensive clean-up drive. • 3. Foster teamwork, leadership skills, and a sense of responsibility among participants	
Participants: The event attracted enthusiastic participation from 60 NCC cadets representing Alvas ARMY WING and YHAI members passionate about adventure and environmental conservation. The diverse group of participants brought together individuals from different backgrounds and regions, creating a conducive environment for collaboration and mutual learning.	
Trekking Experience: Led by experienced instructors and guides, the trekking expedition commenced with the assembly of participants at the designated starting point. The journey through Gadaikallu (NarasimhaGudde) and Didupe Waterfalls presented participants with awe-inspiring vistas of pristine landscapes, cascading waterfalls, and lush greenery. The trek posed various	



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challenges, including rugged terrain and fluctuating weather conditions, which tested the endurance and resilience of the participants. However, through teamwork and perseverance, the group navigated through the trails, immersing themselves in the serenity and grandeur of nature.

Clean-up Initiative:

Upon reaching Gadaikallu (NarasimhaGudde) and Didupe Waterfalls, participants transitioned into the clean-up phase of the event. Equipped with gloves, garbage bags, and other cleaning tools, cadets and volunteers embarked on a mission to rid the area of accumulated litter and waste. Working in coordinated teams, participants combed through the surroundings, meticulously collecting and segregating trash to ensure proper disposal and recycling. The clean-up drive not only enhanced the aesthetic appeal of the sites but also underscored the importance of responsible waste management practices.

Impact and Outcomes:

The collaboration between NCC cadets and YHAI members resulted in several significant outcomes:

- **Environmental Restoration:** The clean-up efforts led to the removal of substantial amounts of litter, contributing to the restoration and preservation of the natural habitats around Gadaikallu (NarasimhaGudde) and Didupe Waterfalls.
- **Youth Engagement:** Participation in the event empowered NCC cadets and YHAI members to become proactive agents of change, instilling in them a sense of environmental responsibility and civic duty.
- **Community Outreach:** The initiative garnered attention from local communities and authorities, sparking conversations about the importance of conservation and sustainable tourism practices.

Conclusion:

The trekking expedition and clean-up campaign organized by NCC cadets and YHAI exemplify the potential of youth-led initiatives in driving positive change and promoting environmental sustainability. Through their collective efforts, participants not only experienced the beauty of nature but also actively contributed to its preservation, leaving behind a legacy of stewardship and commitment to future generations.



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Event photos





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