



**SATISH PRADHAN**

**DNYANASADHANA COLLEGE, THANE**

**(Arts, Science and Commerce)**

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**INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS**

**“Balmelava”**

**(Social gathering of local children) at NSS camp**

**Genesis:**

Considering the vision of Institute, we strive hard to strengthen our students academically, socially and economically. Our NSS units of the college have been always well appreciated at the University level. The annual rural camp gives opportunity to the NSS volunteers to understand culture of the rural area where our camp is organized. It also helps them to feel the socio economic and environmental problems of that area. Various activities are conducted like medical camp and social gathering of children from the village. Children are invited and various activities are conducted to train them in different skills under “Balmelava”. Care of their entertainment and food is also taken. Various competitions are organized & prizes are distributed. Generally Management members make it a point to visit the camp during this day. From the beginning of the NSS camp activity in our college, Balmelava i.e. gathering of children, is a part of NSS camp.

**Aim:**

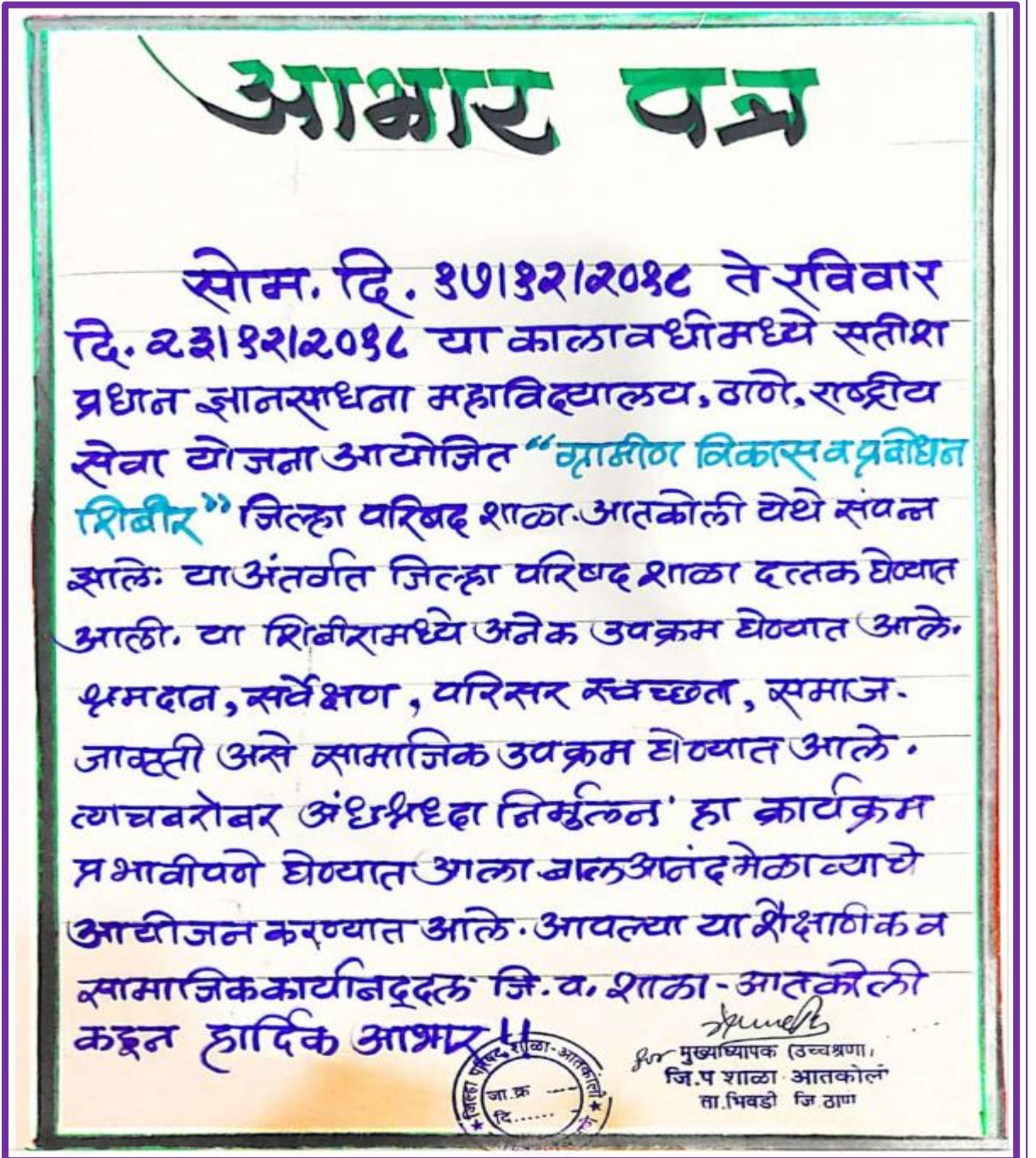
- ❖ Connecting the budding generation of the rural area with the urban youth.
- ❖ Awareness of socio economic and environmental problems of rural area.
- ❖ Recreation of school children
- ❖ Cultural exchange
- ❖ Encouragement to display the children’s skills

**Objectives:**

- ❖ Increase in awareness of NSS volunteers about rural scenario
- ❖ Enhancing skills of school children
- ❖ Development of leadership qualities among college students

## Output:

- ❖ NSS alumni participated in the smooth conduct of Balmelava.
- ❖ All students of Atakoli Primary School participated in the same.
- ❖ NSS students played various games with the school children and awarded attractive prizes to children.
- ❖ Through the various competitions, NSS students inculcated moral values among the school children.
- ❖ The school children from the rural area get opportunity to meet our college students and free exchange of knowledge and cultural values take place.
- ❖ This association continues even after the camp in many a cases.
- ❖ The school authorities conveyed their gratitude for this association with the college.



# Glimpses of Balmelava

