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The Principals of Higher Secondary Schools

having NSS units

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Sub: - NSS- Observance of NSS Day- and week long celebration from 21-27

September, 2009-Reg

You are aware that every year the NSS day is being celebrated on 24th September at the Directorate / institutional levels. This year being the 40th year (Ruby Jubilee-1969-2009) it is decided to celebrate the NSS Day on 24 September 2009 in a special way along with a weeklong celebration from 21-27 September, 2009 in order to create awareness about the public in general and young people in particular about the history, aims and objectives of NSS and its 40 long years of contributions in campuses and community with a special focus on the development of personality of student volunteers through community service in the country particularly in Kerala.

Accordingly the Principals where there is NSS units are directed to celebrate the NSS day on24 September 2009 in a special way and the week in a befitting manner. The activities suggested are under:

- 1. Observe the NSS day on **24 September 2009**(wide publicity may be done in the school campus)
- 2. Pledge (copy below) taking to render **Selfless Service** for Nation building in the morning assembly/seminar etc.
- 3. Organize a seminar/ lecture/ elocution/debate in the School about the history of NSS, youth and Volunteerism, Selfless service, Youth issues and NSS intervention, Personality development and Role of NSS, Role of NSS in community development, vision & mission of NSS etc. On 24 September 2009, the Principal may allow the entire students including NSS volunteers and other students to attend the programme.
- 4. Posters and Exhibition to raise awareness on major achievements/contributions of NSS units may please be prepared and displayed in the educational institution in an appropriate visible place from 24th-27th Sep.2009.

A brief report along with photographs about the celebration may please be sent to this office [preferably by e-mail <u>dhsensskerala@gmail.com</u>] for documentation soon after the programme.

Sd/-Programme Co-ordinator.

The NSS Volunteers Pledge

Volunteers will be required to take the following pledge on 24th September:

We the student volunteers and proud members of the National Service Scheme do hereby pledge that we shall uphold the pride and prestige of our National Service Scheme and always strive to maintain Tolerance & Sacrifice, Love & Concern, service & sacrifice and follow high standards of ethics in life and academic performance. We also pledge that we will never resort to any sort of violence instead strive to settle all differences and disputes relating to religion, language, region, political and economic grievances by peaceful and constitutional means. We promised to work with dedication to preserve and strengthen the integrity of our nation and committed to selfless service to the society.