# National Service Scheme (NSS)

**National Service Scheme (NSS)** is an Indian government initiative under the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. It was launched in 1969, commemorating the birth centenary of Mahatma Gandhi, with the aim of fostering a sense of social responsibility, community service, and national development among youth.

#### **Objectives of NSS:**

- 1. Personality Development through Community Service
- 2. Encouraging Civic Responsibility
- 3. Promoting National Integration
- 4. Creating Awareness
- 5. Building Leadership and Teamwork
- 6. Fostering Community Development
- 7. Empowering Youth for Sustainable Development
- 8. Promoting Selfless Service
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- 16. Promoting Selfless Service.

#### **Motto and Symbol:**

- Motto: "Not Me But You" emphasizing the spirit of selfless service and the welfare of others.
- **Symbol**: A wheel inspired by the Konark Sun Temple, symbolizing energy and the pursuit of excellence.

### **Key Activities:**

## 1. Community Service Projects:

- Health camps
- Literacy programs
- o Environmental conservation
- Disaster management

### 2. Special Camps:

 Focused on themes like rural development, health and hygiene, and social awareness.

#### 3. Regular Activities:

- Blood donation drives
- o Cleanliness drives (Swachh Bharat Abhiyan)
- Tree plantation campaigns

### 4. National Level Initiatives:

 Participation in programs like International Yoga Day, Fit India Movement, and more.