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Department of Service Learning

Rural Work Camp For The First Year Post Graduate Students

The Department of Service Learning (Outreach) organised a rural work camp for the first year post graduate students from 28th November - 3rd December, 2016. Around five hundred students attended the camp and the camp was conducted in seven places in three taluks of Cuddalore district.



The taluks are: Panruti, Chidambaram and Kattumanorkoil. The rural work camp was conducted for six days and the first day the students started the onwards journey to the campsite and attended the inauguration after which there were ice-breaking sessions. After dinner, the students were grouped into six teams, namely: Documentation Team, Prayer & Recreation Team, Food Service Team, Cultural Team, Cleaning Team, and Time Management Team.



The day session begun with prayer followed by physical exercise. The students did manual work like: agriculture work, cleaning the common places, deepening the irrigational channels, and whitewashing the school. The teams went to village visits in the afternoon for interacting to know about their livelihood, agriculture work and rural reality of the people. Various input sessions were arranged on rural economy, labour issues, nature of rural employment and gender discrimination. The students performed drama, skit, mime and group songs on social issues. The students provided their feedback on the last day. The camp ended with a valedictory programme.