

## **ALL INDIA VAYU SAINIK CAMP - A DREAM COME TRUE**



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“National Cadet Corps” is a unique uniformed organisation of youth in India, with the motto ‘Unity and Discipline’. The NCC is one of the greatest cohesive forces of the nation, bringing together the youth hailing from different parts of the country and moulding them into the united and disciplined citizens of the nation.

My first step towards AIVSC started when our unit asked our interest towards VSC IGC which were held in Warangal. After I showed my interest we were trained in every aspect i.e. special syllabus, drill, .22 firing, skeet firing, tent pitching etc. After assessing every cadet in our unit I was given chance to participate in .22 and skeet firing, and in drill as contingent commander of the drill contingent.

### **VSC - IGC**

My journey for VSC IGC started on 29<sup>th</sup> august 2019, after reaching we were allotted our respective places, from the second day competitions were started and I gave my best in all the competitions. As every day we had a new competition I was eager about all those things to know . On the last day of competition everything went good we returned to Vijayawada.

The hard work that i put in competitions wasn't gone in vain. I was called for training of AIVSC.

## **Training for AIVSC**

These 20 days of camp entirely changed my view towards the competition. The ones who we competed with them in the IGC became our best buddies. Many life lessons were learnt in these camp days, competing with the co-cadets with whom we used to enjoy a lot, consoling ourselves when our best buddy leaves us facing rejection, excitements, happiness, motivation and determination to do a work sincerely, time management and many more things which cannot be taught by our schools and colleges.

Everything went correct and my name came in the final list of AIVSC and I was a part of drill team of AP&T drill contingent. Our kitting was given and we packed all our bags and we were in Warangal railway station, seeing our Commanding Officer and our PI staff who trained us with all their efforts for the camp. After a long journey we reached Jodhpur.

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We were given accommodation in the kendriya vidyalaya school near air force station. The place was good with a pleasant environment. It was beside to the air force station we can easily hear the sounds of the flights that were taking off and landing.

The competitions began and I gave my best. Every thing went good the best part of the ALL INDIA VAYU SAINIK CAMP was the flying experience in MI-17, which cannot be done by any other civil personnel. And the static display of the best aircrafts of Indian air force Sukhoi-30, MIG-27, Rudra helicopter.

We had a motivational talk by DDG of Rajasthan and commanding officers who are conducting the camp. We had a great opportunity to learn about new things everyday.

It was the final day when the trophies were announced. We were so curious to know which trophies we are going to we get. The first announcement came for the trophy of line area and tent pitching it was AP&T directorate. The feeling when we got the trophy was unexplainable. The hard work and dedication we kept in the competition was the result in the form of trophy.

Vayu sainik camp was a great opportunity for me to know about many cultures of the nation. I made many friends from other directorates. We had a good talk with them.

After all the events completed it was the final day we have departure to our respective states. But it was a bit hard for all of us to get back to the places leaving the place which has given us lot of memories. We said good bye to each other and started our way back to Warangal.



### **BACK TO WARANGAL**

We came back to Warangal; we were received with a heart warming gesture. I was so good to see. After arriving we had a speech by our commanding officers about our journey to AIVSC Which made our day more happier.

Now the time came every one of us have to return to their home towns, which was a bit difficult for us, it was the span of one month we spent with the people who were not even a thing to you before that camp. Everyone felt and made promises to meet some other time definitely.



On my way back to home I just remembered all the funny things we did, the struggle we went through to come to this camp, the friends I made. All the things just made me smile.

For me, AIVSC is a beautiful journey which makes me smile whenever I remember it.

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