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Topic : NCC ROLE AND IMPORTANCE

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) is the Indian military cadet corps with its Head Quarters at New Delhi. NCC is open to all of the students of school and college on the voluntary basis. NCC was conceived in 1917 when India Defence Act was promulgated with an objective of making up the deficiencies in the Armed Forces by raising the University Corps. In 1920 the India Territorial Act was passed and University Corps was replaced by University Training Corps. The Cadets in the NCC are given basic military training in small arms and parades. The officers or the cadets undergoing NCC training have no liability for active military service once they complete.

In 1942, the National Cadet Corps was renamed University Officers Training Corps. In 1946, a committee under Pandit H N Kunzru was set up at the behest of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru with a focus to formulate the establishment of an organization that would train and motivate the Indian youth to become better citizens and leaders in all walks of life, as a result of which the National Cadet Corps came into effect on July 16, 1948 with the declaration of the NCC Act XXXI of 1948 and the NCC was placed under the Ministry of Defence.

National Cadet Corps can be termed as a Tri-Services Organization as it comprises of the Army, Navy and Air Force. The main aim of National Cadet Corps is to groom the youth of the country into disciplined, responsible and patriotic citizens. The National Cadet Corps in India is a voluntary organization which recruits cadets from high schools, colleges and Universities all over India and gives those volunteers' military training. NCC inculcates among the youth a sense of nationalism and secular outlook that would contribute towards the building of a stronger nation and apart from that also provides a common platform for individual up-lift of masses through the process of channelizing the energy of the young Indians in a constructive purpose. National Cadet Corps helps the youth to realize the relationship between man and the community, between community and nature and their inter-dependability.

Though after the completion of the NCC training volunteers' are not liable to join military, still the candidates with their valid NCC certificates are given preference over normal candidates during selections based on the achievements in the corps. There is no compulsion for those active in the NCC to pursue with a career in the defence field, but yes, they do stand a better chance given preference over normal candidates during job selections.

The main aim of the training given is to:

Develop in youth the quality of character, courage, comradeship, discipline, secular outlook, and spirit of adventure, sportsmanship and the ideals of selfless service among the youth to make them useful citizens who can serve their country effectively and passionately.

Organize, train and motivated youth, to provide leadership qualities in every sphere of life including the Armed Forces and to empower them in such a way that they are always ready to serve their nation.

Motivate the youth of our country to take up a career in the Armed Forces. Also providing such training at an early stage gives in a great sense of satisfaction and patriotic feeling, youth become really dedicated towards the nation and is ready to face any challenge, whether natural or man-made.