

MY FIRST NCC PARADE

Our first uniform parade practice was held on the 28th of May 2022. It was on a Saturday and I had to rush to the stores to buy a new pair of DMS. Since I was getting late I took a metro and reached college.

Once I entered the NCC stores, I could see my fellow cadets setting their uniform, and I was one of them. Wearing the uniform was not an issue as our seniors had already instructed us about that. After 10 minutes we were asked to pitch the tent which would be used by the PI staff of our regiment and also by our ANO. Tent pitching is interesting and fun. Once we set up the tent, we had to go for a quick jog so that our bodies are warmed up and none of us get and to make sure none of us get any cramps during the drill. Running around the college is something which we do every day but that day's warmup hit different. It was because of us wearing the uniform which separated us from the common crowd. Dawning the uniform always gives a different type of feel which can't be put into words. Soon the PI staff arrived at the college and we were taught the basics of drill like savdhan, vishram, dyne mud, bai mud and piche mud. Doing synchronized drill with fellow cadets gives satisfaction. We realised the value of water during our water breaks when water felt more like elixir. Soon our ANO Captain Dr. Mahendra Kumar sir joined us and taught us flat foot march. Our seniors learnt marching with the rifles while we were trying to march with coordination. Once our ANO was happy with our performance selections for the Para basic course started.

Once the selections were done snacks was served. We had them in no time as we were waiting for something to be served after a hectic parade. Relaxing after reaching home also hits different after a hectic day. I could say that my first parade was quite fun and im looking forward for more such parades.

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