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NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

Report on 'Grain-a-thon 2.0'

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Number of Volunteers Participated: 150

"When we give together, we grow together."



The DJ Sanghvi NSS organized Grain-A-Thon 2.0 on 17th and 18th October 2024, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, with the noble goal of encouraging students to donate essential grains such as wheat and rice to support charitable causes. This year's event embraced a vibrant Bollywood theme, transforming the entire canteen area into a colorful and lively setting that celebrated Indian cinema. Each department creatively represented famous Bollywood movies, adding an element of fun and competition; for instance, the Computer Engineering Department was themed around the action-packed movie Singham, while the IT Department chose to represent the musical drama Rockstar and many more. This thematic approach not only fostered a sense of unity among the departments but also heightened enthusiasm among students, drawing them into the spirit of the event.

Beyond being just an interdepartmental competition, Grain-A-Thon 2.0 actively involved various student committees and chapters, significantly enhancing participation and broadening its impact. The initiative aimed to promote community engagement and teamwork while extending a helping hand to vulnerable sections of society. The response from the student body was overwhelming, reflecting a strong commitment to social responsibility and altruism.

The event achieved remarkable success, collecting a staggering 6,272 kilograms of grains, a sixfold increase compared to the previous year. **The Computer Engineering Department emerged as the top contributor with an impressive 2,122 kilograms**, showcasing their dedication and teamwork. Among the student committees and chapters, DJCSI made a significant mark by contributing 535 kilograms of grains, further exemplifying the spirit of collaboration and generosity.

On 19th October, the collected grains were meticulously packaged into 3-4 kilogram packets to ensure they were easy to handle during distribution. The actual distribution took place on 20th October, and volunteers were deployed across various locations, **including slum areas, NGOs, and old age homes in Kandivali and Borivali**. The team aimed to reach as many individuals and families in need as possible, ensuring that the donations had a

meaningful impact.

At the old age homes, the response from the recipients was heartwarming. The elderly residents expressed their profound happiness and gratitude for the generous donations, which brought them not just food but a sense of care and community. In a touching display of appreciation, many residents



joined the volunteers in joyful garba dances, creating a lively atmosphere filled with laughter and celebration. This beautiful interaction deeply moved the volunteers, leaving them emotional and fulfilled as they witnessed firsthand the positive impact of their efforts. The smiles and joy shared during these moments reinforced the belief that such initiatives truly bring communities together and can transform lives.



As Grain-A-Thon 2.0 came to a close, the event reflected overwhelming support from students, departments, and committees alike. DJSNSS extends its heartfelt gratitude to all participants for their generosity and enthusiasm throughout the drive. The success of this event has set a new benchmark for future drives, proving that when collective efforts unite, they can make a significant difference in society. Grain-A-Thon 2.0 stands as a testament to the power of community service and the spirit of giving, inspiring future generations to continue this noble tradition.

