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DID YOU KNOW?

Closing of DSP - Bamboo Bicycle

De-suung Skilling Programme (DSP) in 'Bamboo Bicycle' closed on 22 November in Thimphu.

17 De-suups and 4-Armed Force personnel (RBA-2 & RBP-2) participated in the program for duration of 1 month. Mr. Shashishekhar Pathak and Mrs. Devika Pathak from Bamboochi India were the trainers. Zimpon Wom Sonam Thinley was the Chief Guest.

The chief guest emphasized the future opportunities of bamboo bicycles if the standards & quality are maintained and made affordable. He also offered appreciation and gratitude to the experts for their efforts to transfer knowledge and

De-suups' public advocacy for waste segregation

During his address to the National Assembly, His Majesty stressed that waste is a major issue in the nation. The De-suung organization intends to address this issue and clean up the community by promoting waste awareness and the segregation of dry and wet waste. Hence, an awareness campaign will be conducted in Thimphu until the 30th of November, and penalties for not segregating waste will commence on the 1st of December, with fines of N. 3000 for the first offense, Nu. 6000 for the second offense, Nu. 9000 for the third, and so on.

During the campaign, the public must empty plastic bags or bins, and if the waste is not segregated, the mobile number and personal information of the person should be recorded.

What is dry waste?

Dry waste is non-biodegradable waste that can be reused or recycled in most cases. Examples include PET bottles, cardboard, metal, rags, etc.

What is wet waste?

Wet waste comprises biodegradable and/or organic trash, that can undergo natural biodegradation, such as vegetable or fruit peels, food waste, grass trimmings, tissues, paper towels, etc.

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ABOUT THE GUARDIANS

On February 14, 2011, the De-suung Integrated Training Programme began in Tencholing, Wangdue Phodrang. De-suung, which means "Guardians of Peace," is a Royal Initiative of His Majesty The King.

His Majesty The King Commanded the establishment of De-suung in response to an overwhelming supplication from the youth for an opportunity to offer their voluntary service to the nation. Thus, De-suung was created as an avenue enabling those who wanted to volunteer their time and energy in service of the nation and people.

The Training Programme's foundation is based on the spirit of volunteerism and the positive influence of community service, integrity, and civic duty ethics and values.

De-suungs actively volunteer during disasters, participate in social service activities, and offer service to others throughout their lives. In other words, as lifelong members of the De-suung Organization, trainees progressively improve their ability to bear their daily duties and responsibilities.

• Batches Trained

52

• Female Trained

12,395

• Male Trained

19,225

• Total Trained

31,620

MFTP SURVEY DEPLOYMENT



- ✓ The Million Fruit Tree Plantation (MFTP) mortality survey began on October 1, 2022 and is still ongoing. Prior to the deployment in the respective gewogs, the Chief Dzongkhag Agriculture Officer/Dzongkhag Agriculture Officer of the Dzongkhags briefed De-suups on the necessary technical guidelines.

A mortality survey entails looking into the death and survival rates of plants keeping track of every plantation done by De-suups between March 15, 2020 and June 15, 2022.

The Plantation data is as follows:

Fruit trees planted: 1,019,785; temperate: 409,401; subtropical: 605,384; bodhi seedlings: 5000.

A total of 475 De-suups were deployed for the MFTP mortality survey, which included 274 female De-suups and 201 male De-suups in the 20 dzongkhags.

Paro : 23 (19 females, 4 males)
Trashigang : 38 (24 females, 14 males)
Zhemgang : 18 (7 females, 11 males)
Samdrup Jongkhar : 22 (14 females, 8 males)
Tsirang : 28 (17 females, 11 males)
Trashiyangtse : 17 (12 females, 5 males)
Gasa : 4 (1 female, 3 males)
Sarpang : 37 (26 females, 11 males)
Dagana : 20 (10 females, 10 males); Lhomozingkha: 8 (4 females, 4 males)
Samtse : 30 (15 females, 15 males)
Chukka : Upper Chhukha: 20 (10 females, 10 males)
Lower Chhukha : 10 (6 females, 4 males)
Trongsa : 10 (5 females, 5 males)
Haa : 16 (10 females, 6 males)
Thimphu : 20 (12 females, 8 males)
Lhuntse : 22 (14 females, 8 males)
Bumthang : 10 (3 females, 7 males)
Mongar : 36 (21 females, 15 males)
Punakha : 23 (16 females, 7 males)
Pemagatshel : (4 females, 14 males)
Nganglam : (1 females, 5 males)

Female=274

Male=201

Total= 475

BARISTA TRAINING



- ✔ The seventh batch of barista training started on November 23, 2022, at the De-suung Clubhouse cafe. The training will last for 14 days with eight trainees (7 females and 1 male) and an instructor.

PHUENTSHOLING DEPLOYMENT



- ✓ The De-suung Regional Office, Phuentsholing, will deploy 25 De-suups (15 males and 10 females) to carry out crowd management at the Phuentsholing Mega-Night Event, which starts on November 25, 2022.

The deployment will be managed and coordinated by the RBP Officer Commander in Phuentsholing. The De-suups will be deployed for the entire five days of the Mega-Night event. Meanwhile, the consecration of Milarepa Lhakhang is scheduled for November 26, 2022, and it will be presided over by His Holiness, the 70th Je Khenpo, and the De-suung Regional Office in Phuentsholing. On that day, more than 100 De-suups will be deployed to assist with serving and crowd management. Since it is an opportunity for the De-suups to serve and volunteer in the presence of His Holiness the Je Khenpo, 20 De-suups have been asked to join the volunteer work from the Upper Chhukha.

FIRE TRAINING UPDATE



✓ On November 24, 2022, a total of 30 De-suups (211 males and 9 females) carried out a search and rescue operation at Kuenselphodrang in Thimphu, along with five police instructors (3 rescue and 2 fire).

The activities carried out are as follows:

1. High Angle 90 Degree Holding System
2. Low-angle holding system
3. Tervis Line System

The one-day training operation started at 9 a.m. and ended at 5 p.m.



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NYAMRO CHRONICLES



TAKING PART IN THE SERVICE

To be an outstanding person, we must sometimes step beyond our comfort zone and ordinary zone, which demands courage, endurance, bravery, fearlessness, strength, toughness, optimism, and all the other required values.

Don't stay in such a safe place. Instead, come out as proud, fearless fighters to protect our country. My Desuup registration was refused after I completed it through the online platform, and I was devastated, but there was another option for the next batch, and registration was accomplished with the assistance of my uncle. From that point forward, there was commitment, the importance placed on the nation, as well as sacrifices, hardships, and so on.

When someone dressed so beautifully and proudly arrives in our presence, it may appear easy and beautiful to the eye. But, sooner or later, we recognize how much they have accomplished and how hard they have worked to achieve it when they train at our facility.

When I applied for the 42nd batch, I was unsuccessful with the online registration; perhaps I wasn't prepared, or perhaps it wasn't my time. I was driven to serve my country during the pandemic and the difficulties that our country has encountered following the outbreak. His Majesty's speech and the sacrifices made by all the frontliners impressed me.

With a sad heart, I begged God for the opportunity to prove myself worthy of the country, the monarch, and the people. So, with every ounce of pain and difficulty, all of my dedication, integrity, and faithfulness were put to the test throughout the 43rd batch training.

After finishing it, it appears to be pointless if we do not serve and protect our country. The responsibility then begins with patrolling the neighborhood. I wasn't completely content with my duties, so I volunteered for water projects and received a plethora of Soelras certificates, pins, and kidus in exchange.

Everything was perfect: a good camp, good food, fantastic wifi, and, most importantly, a new family of people who were close to oneself while traveling. When we sweated while serving his monarch, people, and country, we felt a lot of satisfaction. Construction of irrigation channels was underway throughout our country as part of the irrigation water project, and millions of fruit trees were planted to benefit the people.

Our King has spent a lot on such initiatives, aside from our Desuup soelras and kidus. When we returned home after successfully finishing the tasks, we were able to buy a few gifts for our parents and family, buy clothes and shoes on one's own, replenish one's daily, monthly, and yearly data, and speak time without assistance. With all of our hard work, we were able to take our brothers and sisters out to eat.

Finally, I would like to thank God, the King, Mom, Dad, and my uncle for without whom I might not even be a De-suup. So many gifts, national services, and great moments with our Nyamros were the most significant accomplishments in my life. I appreciate God for making my wish come true. May we, the De-suups of Bhutan, realize every single hope and aspiration, as well as His Majesty's desire for the people, country, and future.

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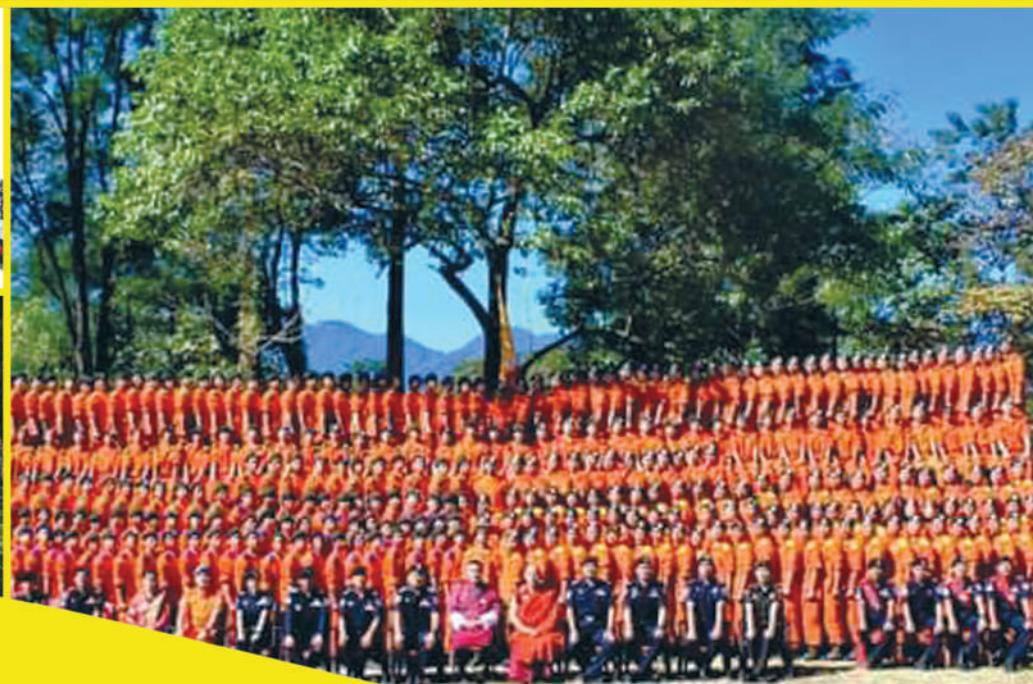




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KICK-OFF



- ✓ The 53rd batch of the Accelerated De-suung Training Programme commenced on November 21, 2022, at Wing I (Tendruk), Wing V (Tashichholing), Wing X (Deothang), and RBPTI (Jigmeling).

The 53rd batch comprises 1060 trainees (610 males and 450 females) who are unemployed youths.

The three-week training period will end on December 11, 2022.