

NSS Event 41: World Humanitarian Day (19th August 2025)

Date: 21st August 2025

Time : 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm

Venue: Raidighi College

Introduction:

World Humanitarian Day is observed every year on 19th August to honor humanitarian workers who risk their lives to help people in crisis, and to advocate for the protection and support of people affected by conflicts, disasters, and emergencies. The day serves as a global reminder of the values of compassion, humanity, and service to those most in need.

So, Raidighi College NSS Unit 1 observed this day on 21st August 2025 through slogan writing and poster making by the volunteers to pay homage to great community people.

Significance of World Humanitarian Day-

1. Honoring Humanitarian Workers:

The day commemorates aid workers who have lost their lives or been injured while performing humanitarian duties. It recognizes their courage, dedication, and sacrifice.

2. Creating Global Awareness:

World Humanitarian Day raises awareness about ongoing humanitarian crises such as wars, natural disasters, pandemics, hunger, and displacement.

3. Promoting International Cooperation:

It emphasizes the importance of global solidarity, coordinated relief efforts, and support for vulnerable populations.

4. Encouraging Humanitarian Action:

The day inspires governments, organizations, communities, and individuals to take action — whether through volunteering, donating, or spreading awareness.

5. Highlighting Human Rights and Dignity:

Humanitarian work is rooted in protecting human dignity, ensuring safety, and upholding the rights of crisis-affected communities.

Role of Youth in Observing World Humanitarian Day-

Youth are powerful agents of change with energy, creativity, and social awareness. Their participation significantly amplifies humanitarian efforts. Key roles include:

1. Volunteering and Community Service:

- *Youth can participate in relief drives, blood donation camps, and community support programs.
- *Helping distribute food, clothing, medicines, or essentials during disasters.
- *Assisting NGOs and local authorities in humanitarian outreach.

2. Raising Awareness:

- *Using social media platforms to spread messages on humanity, compassion, and crisis responses.
- *Conducting awareness campaigns, street plays, rallies, and school/college events.
- *Creating posters, videos, or infographics to educate peers about global humanitarian issues.

3. Fundraising and Resource Mobilization:

- *Organizing charity events, donation drives, or crowdfunding initiatives.
- *Encouraging peers and communities to contribute to humanitarian causes.

4. Skill-Based Contributions:

Youth can apply their unique skills for humanitarian work, such as:

- *Digital literacy: creating communication materials, managing online campaigns.
- *Tech skills: helping NGOs with data management, mapping, or communication tools.
- *Health and first-aid knowledge to support emergency response.

5. Advocacy and Leadership:

- *Youth can engage in advocacy for human rights, climate justice, peace, and safety.
- *Representing their communities in discussions about disaster risk reduction and sustainable development.
- *Joining youth-led organizations working on social welfare and humanitarian issues.

6. Supporting Mental Health and Social Well-Being:

*Providing peer support to students or communities affected by stress or crisis.

*Creating inclusive, supportive environments within schools and colleges.

7. Promoting Sustainable and Peaceful Communities:

*Participating in initiatives that reduce risks related to climate change, conflicts, or poverty.

*Engaging in environmental conservation, which indirectly reduces humanitarian disasters.

Conclusion:

World Humanitarian Day is not only a tribute to humanitarian workers but also a call to action for every individual. Youth play a central role in shaping a compassionate and resilient world. Through volunteerism, creativity, advocacy, and leadership, young people can significantly strengthen humanitarian efforts and inspire society to uphold the values of humanity and solidarity. Raidighi College NSS Unit 1 volunteers actively participated in the day's observation.

Few glimpses of the day observation:





