



## **VISTAS Extension Activities**

VISTAS organizes Social awareness camps on Energy, Environment Protection, Drinking Water Quality, Usage of Medicine and Hygiene, Sanitation, Public Health, Self Help groups, Noise awareness, Breast cancer etc., for the holistic and sustained community development. The VISTAS sensitizes its faculty and students to its Institutional Social Responsibilities. They are encouraged to take part in these activities in collaboration with GOs, NGOs, SHGS, local bodies etc. in carrying out these societal outreach programmes. The prominent contributions of the Institution include:

- Servicing the public through various awareness camps
- Involvement in Government organized health care programmes
- flood relief, disease outbreaks and disaster management,
- Environmental awareness camp, etc.,.
- Diabetes Day
- Women's Day
- Environment Day
- Vels Health Day etc.,
- Voters Awareness day
- Cleaning – Railway stations and temples.

Several awards and appreciation have been received by the faculty in activities like ,


- National Children Science Congress,
- South India Culinary Association (SICA) award,
- Taekwondo Championship,
- TamilNadu State Volley Ball Association award etc.

The School of Pharmaceutical Sciences was awarded with the

Outstanding Service Award 2013 by Indian Association of Blind, Madurai on March 2013 for recognition of voluntary contribution for the empowerment of persons with visual challenges.

VISTAS has received the Best Contributor award towards Building “India Skills Report 2016” at CII National Skills Summit at The Taj Palace, New Delhi on 26th of November, 2015.

Academic Achievement Award from Revature India at Rani Seethaiyammal Hall, Chennai on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2016. Best Multi-disciplinary Deemed VISTAS Award and Best Library award from Pearl Foundation, Madurai



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Academic Partner Excellence Award” for the year 2017 by ICT Academy, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, on 28.02.2017.

**PRADHAN MANTRI BHARTIYA JANAUSHADHI KENDRA** is an initiative of Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of chemicals & fertilizers Government of India in order to ensure the availability of quality medicines at affordable prices to all, based on the vision of the Prime Minister of India. The Pradhan MantriJanaushadhi Kendra (Generic Medical Store) was initiated in the VISTAS, Pallavaram, Chennai was inaugurated by Dr. S Manivanan, Deputy Drugs Controller, Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO), New Delhi on 19th March 2018.This generic medical store provides quality medicines at affordable cost to the public.

The other activities in VISTAS pertaining to socio-economic development

**Swachh Bharat Abhiyan** is implemented to maintain the cleanliness in and around the campus and to create awareness about the role of clean environment.

- More than 40 Blood Donation camps have been organized.
- Awareness of Legal Rights
- Regular Health camps periodically conducted in the campus as well as nearby rural areas.
- Training of Rural women and Farmer training
- Aids Awareness
- Free Eye Camp in Rural Areas
- Social Training in Rural areas through NSS activities
- Dengue Awareness Camp.
- Nilavembu Kasayam Freely Provided during the Camp in rural Areas.
- Achieved Guinness World Record Bharatam 5000



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