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National Cadet Corps

Name of the Activity: IMA Attachment Camp

Date: 18 Dec – 27 Dec 2022

Venue: 29 UK BN NCC Dehradun

I am U.O. Abhishek of the 1HP Boys Bn NCC Solan of Shimla group of PHHP&C Directorate, currently pursuing my B.Tech. in Information Technology from Jaypee University of Information Technology. I recently got an opportunity to attend the IMA Attachment camp held at the Indian Military Academy, Dehradun from 18th Dec to 27th Dec 2022. The camp was conducted by the 29 UK BN NCC Dehradun which matched up to a total strength of 250 cadets from all the 17 NCC Directorates all over India. Including me, there were 23 cadets from the PHHP&C Directorate.

The main objective of the camp was to give a glimpse of the everyday routine that a GC(Gentleman Cadet) goes through his period of training at the academy to the NCC cadets who attended the camp in addition to motivate them to join the Indian Defence Services in their upcoming future, which I think was done quite amazingly.

Our daily routine consisted of waking up around 0430 hours followed by a fall in at 0530 hours. Then the 2 companies out of 4 went for PT and the remaining 2 went for the drill on alternating days. The PT started with a 2.4 km running inside the campus followed by assembling in the helipad for the exercises. The PT instructors taught certain exercises that focused mainly on building arm, chest, leg and core strength. They kept motivating the cadets throughout the PT session. Now talking about the drill, the cadets of the other 2 companies were taken to the Shivalikh Drill Square which was about 10-12 minutes away from our barracks. The drill session was conducted by the Drill Instructors of the IMA that each of us had heard about. They kept us pushing through our limits during the entire drill session every time. The PT/Drill session lasted till 0730 hours. After the drill, almost every cadet had a sore throat which was a proof that everyone was giving his hundred percent during the entire session.

After the PT/Drill session, we had about 1 hour to eat our breakfast which was organized in the ACC(Army College Cadets) Wing GCs Mess. At 0830 hours we had another fall in near our barracks. Then each day we had a visit to different locations in the academy. The places we visited were-

The Chetwode Building

The Central Museum (Museum inside Chetwode building)

Capt. Vikram Batra Mess (The central mess for GCs)

GCs Acquisition Centre (The horse centre of GCs)

GCs Swimming Pool

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The Gurukul (The Academic centre of GCs)

The 7 Shooting Ranges at IMA (skit range, grenade range, baffle range, long range, short range, medium range and sports range)

Raman Hall (The lectures were held here along with the opening ceremony, closing ceremony and cultural competition)



Various lectures on the topics like First Aid, Map Reading and a case study were also given by the officers at IMA along with the motivation to join the Indian Defence Services in our near future.

We used to reach our barracks around 0130 hours every day and straight away went for the lunch. Another fall in for the games period used to take place at 0400 hours. During this time every cadet had to play a game out of basketball, volleyball and football till 0530 hours. Then we used to reach our barracks and practice for the cultural competition. After that we used to wear the Mufti Dress (it comprised of formal pant-shirt, tie, blazer and shoes) and get ready for the dinner by 0800 hours. The lights went off at 1000 hours sharp.

We used to have the night duties in our respective barrack areas for 2 hours in the buddy pairs. A night march was also conducted on an evening before the dinner at 0630 hours in the combat uniform. In this activity we learned that how the army units go out for patrolling at the night. We

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also got a chance to interact with some of the GCs outside the mess. They shared their experience with us and motivated us to continue in life.



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During the last two days at the camp the PT test, Drill test and Cultural competition were organized. In the PT test, we ran 1.6 km and were classified into exceptional, good, average and need improvement categories based on the time by which we finished the race followed by the regular exercise. In the Drill test, the Drill Instructors selected certain cadets who were able to impress them by their drill. I was also selected in this group. The cultural competition took place in the Raman Hall on the last day. Every Directorate gave a glimpse of their culture one by one which was cherished by each and every cadet. The cultural performance of my Directorate consisted of Bhangra (folk dance of Punjab), Haryanvi Dance and Nati (folk dance of Himachal Pradesh) in which 9 cadets participated including me.

This was among one of the most memorable experiences of my life that I am going to cherish throughout my remaining life. I made new friends not only within my Directorate but also from few other Directorates. I can say that this was the best camp I have attended so far in terms of accommodation, campus, facilities and experience.