

MERI MAATI MERA DESH
Awareness through Art and Craft Workshop at two KMC schools

On 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th August 2023, the NSS volunteers from Animation and Multimedia department conducted art and craft workshops focusing on the theme of ‘**Meri Maati, Mera Desh**’. On 5th August, the workshop focused on conserving our national animal – **the tiger**. The children were taught to draw and paint tigers in their natural habitats. The volunteers made the children aware about conserving mangrove forest and royal Bengal tigers in the Sunderaban region. They also created awareness on the impact of climate change on tigers. On 12th August, the children learnt to make the National Flag for the volunteers. The children enjoyed making the flags and using the same for Independence Day. On 19th August, the NSS volunteers focused on the national bird – **peacock**. The children learnt why peacock is considered as our national bird and learnt about the unique features of the bird. Adrija De, a volunteer beautifully summed up her experience, *“Visiting Bal Siksha Sadan was an eye-opening and emotionally charged experience. We educated them about our National Bird and we also shared facts about the bird’s unique characteristics, and helped them draw those which fostered an engaging learning atmosphere. We also shared information about Dengue and encouraged them to spread knowledge within their families and neighborhoods contributing to the broader goal of minimizing dengue transmission. In short, their enthusiasm and openness to the creative process were both heartwarming and inspiring.”* The volunteers at the end of the session, conducted dengue awareness programme as well for the children. On 26th August, the workshop was only held in Bal Shiksha Sadan (as the children of Sree Gandhi Vidya Mandir was having exams) and the volunteers celebrated Raksha Bandhan with the children. The children were taught how to make rachis, which they would use to tie for their family members. A total of **126 volunteers** and **210 children** participated in the workshop this month.





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Learning all about the National Animal – the tiger on 5th August 2023



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Little patriots making the National Flag on 12th August 2023



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Learning all about our National Bird on 19th August 2023



Celebrating Raksha Bandhan at Bal Shiksha Sadan school on 26th August 2023


