



## Dear NVPians,

Greetings to you all! A very warm welcome to the October 2016 Issue of our NVP Newsletter. The month of September brought with it a lot of new glad tidings for us. First and foremost of all, the Programme section of NVP Portal has been successfully inaugurated! Now all of you can not only view the details of all our available volunteering opportunities but can also apply for them directly! A tutorial for this process is given on the second page of this newsletter. So, do check it out if you are interested!

Secondly, we are about to embark on a new venture in October. Do check out page three for a little sneak peak! Lastly, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome a new member into our team. Ms. Michelle Heatherly, a fresh graduate from SZABIST, has recently joined NVP as a Project Associate So, we formally welcome her to the NVP Family! Michelle, we hope you will like it here and wish you a long prosperous run!

We hope you will enjoy the content we have for you in this Issue. Please feel free to leave comments on the articles, to share your thoughts or ask the author a question. Until next time folks.

With warmest regards,  
A.C, Editor

**NVP Volunteers  
Successfully  
Complete**

**300+**

**Volunteer Hours**



**NVP Milestones**

**250+ Registered Volunteers**

**25+ Registered Beneficiary  
Institutions**

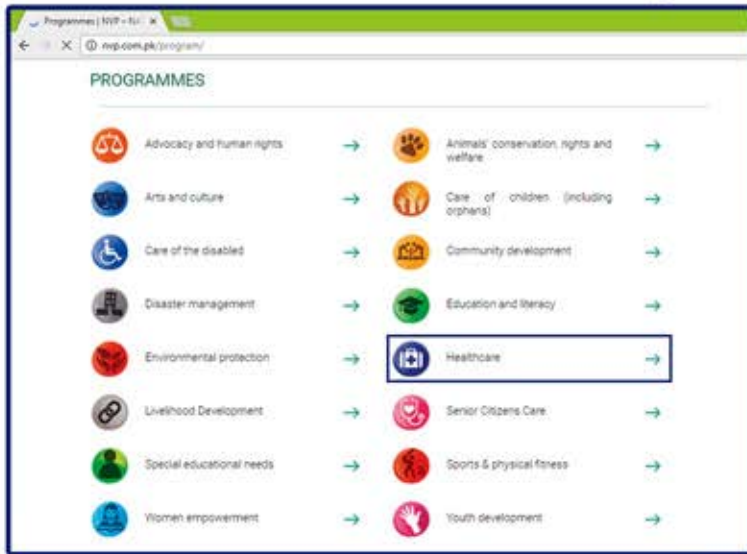
**650+ Facebook Page  
Subscriptions**

**Our Founding Partner**



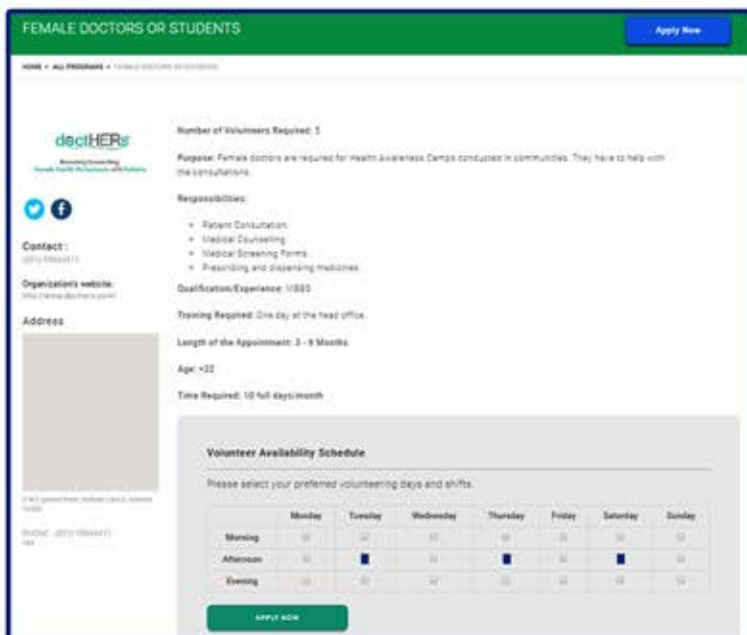
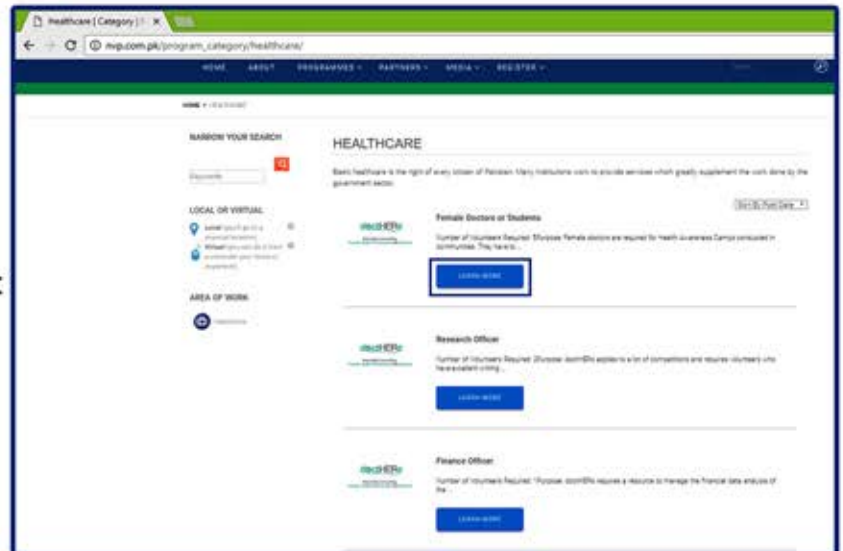
# The NVP Programmes - Volunteering made easy!

To start, please sign in to your NVP Volunteer Account and go to the Programmes Page.



1. On the Programmes Page, scroll down to the sixteen Volunteering Categories. Click on the category of your interest to display the Programme choices available within it.  
(For example: Healthcare)

2. Once the page is displayed, click on the 'Learn More' button beneath the Programme which interests you. This will display its relevant details.  
(For example: Female Doctors or Students)

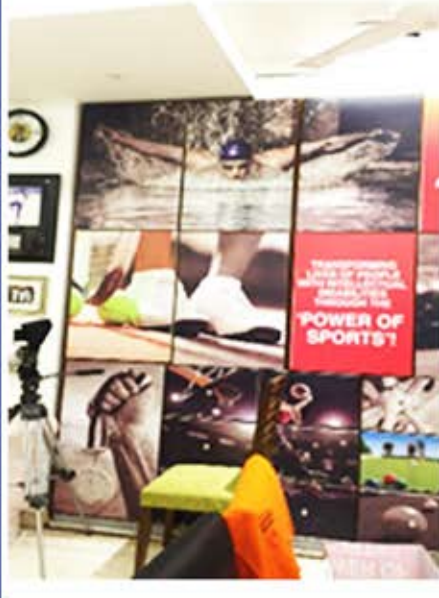


3. A page similar to the one pictured here will be displayed. On the extreme left, there will be the details of the Beneficiary Institution where this position is available. On the rightside of this, there will be the details of the Programme itself. For example the number of vacancies available, the responsibilities associated with it, the qualification necessary, the age and time required etc.  
Below this, there will be the 'Volunteer Availability Schedule' chart, like the one shown in the picture. Simply select the days and shifts of your availability - in this case the Afternoon shift for the Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday of every week has been selected- and click the 'Apply Now' button.

And that's it, you are DONE! Once you have applied, the NVP Team will get in touch with you regarding the details of your volunteer appointment. Yes, it really is that easy!  
To apply, please visit our portal ASAP!

# Behind-the-scenes of our upcoming Video.

By: Michelle Heatherly



Our team here at NVP has been busy lining up beneficiary institutions, volunteers and a video production team to create something special for all our viewers. Yes! You have guessed it right! The production of our first official NVP video is underway and we have pictures to prove it! As a recent member of the NVP team, this experience was quite intriguing and overwhelming for me. I was given the opportunity to accompany Mr. Shahzad Hooda, Project Manager of NVP, to visit one of our registered Beneficiary Institutions, which was to be the shoot location of our first NVP video.

The week before production day, Mr. Hooda and I spent our time coordinating with the BI's, volunteers and the volunteer supervisors, in order to organize a time slot that was convenient for everyone involved. That was only the first phase. Afterwards, we spent our time devising a script, the background of the video and all the other nitty-gritty details that go along with producing a video. Once all those details were taken into account, we gathered the production team and finally reached our first venue, the Trust for Development Studies and Practices (TDSP).

At TDSP, we were warmly welcomed by its founder, Dr. Quratulain Bakhtari and one of our assigned volunteers, Kelton High. I was deeply honoured to meet Dr. Bakhtari and was greatly moved to have the opportunity to be introduced to such an inspirational personality. Her passion for the humanitarian cause that she has taken up resonates through her voice; everything she said during the course of the video came straight from the heart. I even had the chance to speak to her off the record and all I can say is that for someone who has transformed hundreds of lives, she is extremely humble.

In a few hours, our video production team worked their magic and we completed the coverage of the first segment of our video. It was time now to move to our next stop, the Special Olympics Pakistan (SOP). Though I had heard much about this institution prior to my visit, I was awed to find out more about their achievements. We were greeted by Ms. Sadia Siddiqui, the volunteer supervisor at SOP and Summera Khatoon, the volunteer assigned there.

Before the video production team began their work, I discussed with Ms. Siddiqui at length the way SOP was bringing about change through the power of sports. Deeply intrigued by everything she had to say, I was amazed to find out how children with disabilities are not only assimilated into society but also become overachievers when given the chance. Once our interview with both, the volunteer and the volunteer supervisor was completed, it was time to wrap up the second segment of our video production and call it a day.

Overall, it was a great learning experience for me. The privilege to meet some of the most intellectually inspiring personalities who are changing the dynamics of our society altogether was surely the highlight of this event. I hope you enjoyed reading through this snippet about our video production. Stay tuned to our Facebook page for more details about the launch of our first NVP video!

# NVP Celebrates the International Eradication of Poverty Day



## INTERNATIONAL DAY for the ERADICATION OF POVERTY

OCT 17, 2016

**"On this day we recommit to think, decide and act together against extreme poverty – and plan for a world where no-one is left behind. Our aim must be prosperity for all, not just a few."**

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon  
Message for the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

Yes, we  
CAN

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In honor of all the victims of injustice, poverty, violence and hunger, The United Nations has designated October 17<sup>th</sup> to mark the day of International Eradication of Poverty, in an effort to raise awareness about the need to eliminate poverty and hunger around the globe. It is a day to acknowledge the struggles of those living below the poverty line in complete desolation, unable to get their voices heard, as well as to divert efforts towards building a sustainable and just world where everyone can exercise their rights.

To commemorate that day, The National Volunteer Programme, urges each one of you, young and old, to come together and fight this uphill battle. We have many beneficiary institutions registered with us who are doing a commendable job in eradicating poverty, reclaiming the rights of the marginalized people and providing them with opportunities they had never even dreamed off. It's time for us all to be a part of this initiative and on this auspicious day, let us help safeguard the rights of the poor, by volunteering our efforts to the institutions that are working for this cause.

***Together, let us build a sustainable future by salvaging the privileges of the underprivileged and the marginalized.***

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