

IMPORTANCE OF NCC AND BENEFITS OF NCC CERTIFICATES



NCC stands for National Cadet Corps, a training program. It is open to the students of schools and colleges. It's a voluntary program and any student can join it. This program teaches students to follow a disciplined life. It's a Tri-Services Organisation and engaged in grooming the youth in India to become patriotic citizens. NCC training offers many benefits to the trainees. After attending a minimum of 75% of NCC training, the students get a certificate from NCC according to their level. These certificates help the students to in their career. There are many benefits of NCC certificates, but not many people know about them.

What is NCC?

NCC is the Indian military cadet corps wing of the Indian armed forces. NCC offers training to the students of schools and colleges. This is not compulsory training for all students. The duration of this training program is 3 years. During the training of NCC, candidates get the basic military training. This training is conducted to develop the interest of young students in all three forces; the army, the navy and the air force of India. NCC offers the platform to the students so that they could check their abilities to join the Indian Defence Services. That's why one of the benefits of the NCC certificate is that the candidate gets some relaxation during army selection. According to the National Cadet Corps', the main aim of NCC is to create an organized, trained and motivated youth. With this aim, NCC not only creates soldiers for the nation but it also develops the leadership skills in the youth.

How to Join NCC?

Any Indian student either girl or boy can join NCC. There are two wings in NCC; The Junior wing and the senior wing. Here are the details to join the junior and senior wing of NCC.

Junior Wing: The minimum age to join the NCC junior wing is 13 years. The enrolment period for the training of junior wing is 2 year. To join NCC the candidate needs to contact the headmaster or principle of his/her school. If the school of the candidate is not having NCC training facility then the student can contact Commanding Officer of the nearest NCC Unit for further guidance.

Senior Wing: To join the senior wing the candidate's age should be up to 26 years. The enrolment period for this training is 3 years. To join senior wing students need to follow the same process as mentioned above. Joining NCC is an easy process. The NCC authorities also want the youngster to be a part of this organization. NCC cadets get various benefits from joining it that positively change their personality and prepare them for defence services. Further in the article, you will get to know detailed information about the Benefits of joining NCC. To get career opportunities in the defence sector, the NCC training helps the aspirant in their selection. In civil services also the NCC cadets get some relaxation. In defence & civil services career counselling, joining NCC is a must-suggestion that aspirants

get from counsellors. Let's check out the more benefits of joining NCC by scrolling down the page.

Certificates & Examination

There are Three Certificates in NCC. Below describes about it from lower value to higher value:-

- **Certificate – A** : It can be taken by JD/JW cadets of the NCC, during class year 8 and 9. After passing those classes it can't be obtained. The candidate must have attended a minimum 75% of total training periods laid down in the syllabus for the first and second years of JD/JW NCC (All Wings). The candidate must have attended one Annual Training Camp.
- **Certificate – B** : It can be taken by SD/SW cadets of the NCC, after class year 10 and those studying for a degree. The candidate must have attended a minimum 75% of total training periods laid down in the syllabus for the first and second years of SD/SW NCC (All Wings). The cadet must have attended one Annual Training Camp/NIC. Cadets who possess Certificate - A will be awarded 10 bonus marks. An air wing cadet must do a minimum 10 Glider launches.
- **Certificate – C** : Is the highest level certificate for NCC cadets. It can be taken in the 3rd year of training, in the 3rd year of degree course. Those who possess a Certificate - B can take it in the first year after their +2, and in the 1st year of their degree. The cadet must have attended two Annual Training Camps or one Annual Training Camp and one of the following: RD Camp Delhi, Centrally Organised Camp, Para Training Camp, Attachment Training with service units, National Integration Camp, Youth Exchange Programme, or Foreign Cruise (Navy Wing only).

Grading in Certificate

Three certificates are awarded (1) A grade, (2) B grade, (3) C grade.

The best certificate is A, which has the highest value. (i) A cadet has to obtain 45% marks in each paper & 50% marks in the aggregate to pass the examination. Grading is based on total marks obtain will be awarded as follows. (aa) Grading 'A' – Cadets obtaining 80% marks and above. (ab) Grading 'B' – Cadets obtaining 65% marks and above but below 80%. (ac) Grading 'C' – Cadets obtaining 50% marks and above but below 65%. (ad) Fail – Cadets obtaining less than 45% in any paper or less than 50% in aggregate.

Training

Total training period for SD and SW is 3 years with an extension of 1 year permissible & training period for JD & JW is of 2 years. Every cadet of the Senior or Junior Division has to undergo service training for a period of at least 4 hours per week during the training year. However, no training is carried out during periods when the college or school through which a cadet is enrolled is closed for a vacation. Every cadet of the Senior and Junior Division has undergo service training for a minimum period of 75% of total hours during the annual college and school session. Every cadet (in case of JD, who has completed one full year of

training and is in his second year) attends an annual training camp of 9–10 days, also known as National Combined Annual Training Camp. For SD/SW the duration is usually for up to 30 days. At the end of the camp training the cadets receive a certificate of successful completion.

BENEFITS OF JOINING NCC

Have a look at the benefits of NCC certificate 'C'.

❖ INDIAN ARMY

In every regular course of the Indian Military Academy (IMA), 32 vacancies are reserved for the 'C' certified NCC candidates. But to join IMA it's a must for all the candidates to be declared successful by the Services Selection Board.

The cadets with 'C' certificate are exempted from CDS examination conducted by UPSC. But for this, the cadet must have 'A' or 'B' grade in 'C' certificate.

NCC 'C' certification offers you 10–15 bonus marks in paramilitary forces recruitment i.e. BSF, CISF, CRPF, SSB etc.

- If you have NCC 'C' certificates then your written exam will be waived off for the post of Soldier GD.

❖ INDIAN NAVY

- In Indian Navy, the NCC 'C' certified candidates get 6 extra marks for sailor's job and 15 extra marks for Artificer Apprentices.
- Up to 9 vacancies in navy are reserved for NCC 'C' certified candidates. To get the recruitment done on these vacancies the candidate must have done his/her B.Sc in physics or maths. B.E. candidates are also eligible for these vacancies. The age group of the candidate must be 19 to 24 years. He/she must have passed by SSB exempted from CDS examination of UPSC.

❖ INDIAN AIR FORCE

- In Air Force, the NCC 'C' certified candidates get the advantage of 5 marks.
- In Pilot course total 10% vacancies are reserved for NCC cadets.

❖ PUBLIC SECTOR

Many organizations from the public sector give advantages to the cadets with 'C' certification like Indian Airlines, Pawan Hans Ltd, The National Small Industries Corp. Ltd. and many more.

Apart of this, many companies from private sector consider the NCC certificates as an advantage. When you mention the NCC certified or achieved NCC 'C' certificate in your resume, it gives a hint about your personality. So we would suggest the students should join NCC not only to join Indian Armed Forces but to be a disciplined person.

Defence Benefits:

For the candidates who aspire to join the defence forces, NCC 'C' certificate is a golden opportunity for them to go to SSB directly. These candidates are exempted from giving the

common entrance exam and are called directly for SSB. NCC 'C' certificate holders will have following benefits over non-holders in defence as on 2017:

1. CDSE (Men):

If a candidate clears his CDSE and subsequent SSB, he will have the following reservation in various academies. A separate merit list is prepared for NCC cadets with 'C' certificate.

- IMA – 13-15 vacancies reserved for 'C' Certificate (Army Wing) holders
- INA – 05-08 vacancies reserved for 'C' Certificate (Naval Wing) holders

2. Special Entry (Men and Women):

- OTA Chennai – 50 vacancies for 'C' certificate holders for NCC Spl. Entry (non tech)
- AFA Hyderabad – 10% vacancies reserved for 'C' certificate Air Wing holders in all courses.

3. Recruitment as Jawan:

If a candidate wants to join the defence as as Soldier GD/clk/skt/tech/tdn cat, he will be eligible for the award of following benefits:

'A' cert 05 marks (GD) 05 marks (clk/skt/tech) 05 marks (tdn)

'B' cert 10 marks (GD) 10 marks (clk/skt/tech) 10 marks (tdn)

'C' cert: Holders of 'C' cert and who have participated in republic day parade will be exempted from CEE for rect sol clk /skt, sol tech and sol NA cat and will be awarded **100% marks** in lieu of CEE.

OTHER BENEFITS OF 'C' CERTIFICATE:

- For ORs, Sailors, Airmen: 5 to 10 percent bonus marks awarded for recruitment.
- Para Military Forces: 2 to 10 bonus marks awarded for recruitment
- Department of telecommunication: Bonus marks awarded for recruitment
- CRPF: NCC cadets holding 3rd division degree eligible for recruitment to gazetted posts.
- NCC: Civilian Gliding instructors/Girl Cadet Instructors/ Whole Time Lady Officers.
- State Govts: Preference for State Services in certain States.
- Industry: Some industries give preference to NCC C certificate holders for various jobs related with the field of security.
- NCC Games: Cash awards to teams and individuals for excellence.
