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# Report of Green Good Deeds

## (01 October to 31 October, 2021) Organized by MCM Eco-Club To celebrate

### **AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV**

The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of India's Independence

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#### 1. DISCUSSION SESSION ON 'SINGLE-USE PLASTIC POLLUTION'

Activity coordinator: Dr. Shafila

Date: 05 October, 2021

#### No. of participants: 68

#### **Objective**:

• To identify opportunities and ideas for phasing out specific problematic and unnecessary singleuse plastics and moving to more sustainable alternatives

**Context:** Plastics are basically synthetic polymers and are termed as non-biodegradable as their life time in environment is more than hundreds of years. Some plastics are recyclable while most of them are not. The major concern is of single-use plastics which often end up in environment and landfills, harming wildlife, waterways and oceans. Single-use plastics include plastic cutlery, polybags, disposable bottles and lenses. These plastics can take centuries to break down naturally, giving the plastic waste plenty of time to affect the environment. Every year millions of marine animals die because of these plastics. Therefore, the promotion of alternatives of single-use plastics is imperative.

**Practice:** Keeping in view the environmental impacts of plastics, the department of Environment Science in collaboration with MCM Eco-Club organized an online discussion session on "Single-use Plastics" as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations. Over 68 students participated enthusiastically in the discussion session and shared their views about the impacts and alternatives of single-use plastics. The Resource person, Dr. Shafila highlighted the properties, types, usage and role of plastics in daily life. She also emphasized on the life cycles of various kinds of plastics, and their harmful impacts on various parts of the environment.

#### Video Link:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zSH1Vu7GFX3iVoO1fMBYEjN8pvIi9kAI/view?usp=sharing



Evidence of Success: 68 students attended the session and suggested ways to reduce plastic pollution.

#### 2. CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL WILDLIFE WEEK

#### i. COMPETITION ON 'MAKING BIRD FEEDERS WITH UNUSED MATERIAL AT HOME'

Activity coordinators: Dr. Seema Kanwar & Dr. Neetu

Dates: 02-08 October, 2021

#### No. of Participants: 20

#### **Objectives:**

- To encourage students to reuse the waste material present at their homes to create a variety of bird feeders
- To increase interaction of students with avian fauna present around them by observing their feeding habits

**Context:** Wildlife week is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate natural ecosystems in our gardens and explore ways to help them flourish. Making one's garden a bird-haven involves taking care of birds' needs. Birds need a constant and reliable food source all year round. Bird feeders are a very useful piece of equipment which can be used in the gardens to help keep birds well fed. Feeders help adult birds spend less time foraging and expending energy to feed their nestlings.

**Practice:** The Character-building committee in collaboration with MCM Eco-club of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women organized an online competition on 'Making Bird Feeders with Unused Material at Home' for celebrating the National Wildlife Week from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Students from various departments of the college participated in this week-long event. The participants were given seven days for building bird feeders and uploading their photographs. They made beautiful bird feeders using unused material at their homes, and added a variety of seeds and grains to attract birds to the feeders. Cash prizes were given to the first three position holders. The first three prizes were bagged by Eshita Mahajan (BA I), Radhika Sharma (B.Com. I) and Mehak Abrol (BA II) respectively. Three consolation prizes were awarded to Jasmine Kaur (B.Com. I), Annanya Mahajan (B.Sc. III Medical) and Rhythm Lakhotra (B.Sc. II Medical).

**Outcome of the event:** The participants took break from the busy schedule of their lives and spent some time in nature observing the feeding behavior of birds.



#### ii. QUIZ COMPETITION ON 'WILDLIFE AND ITS CONSERVATION'

Activity coordinators: Dr. Neetu & Dr. Sarabjeet Kaur

Date: 08 October, 2021

Number of participants: 04 Teachers, 50 students

#### **Objectives:**

- To generate awareness about wildlife and various laws related to its conservation
- To help build team spirit among all the student participants of different teams

**Practice:** The Department of Zoology in collaboration with MCM Eco-club of Mehr Chand Mahajan DAV College for Women organised a quiz competition on 'Wildlife and its conservation' to celebrate the National Wildlife Week from 2<sup>nd</sup> October to 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. The students of B.Sc. II Medical were invited to participate in the quiz in teams whereas students of B.Sc. III Medical were asked to prepare questions for the quiz.

**Evidence of success:** The first three positions were bagged by the following teams:

- First Prize- Harjeev Kaur, Bharti Sharma, Kareena Pahuja
- Second Prize- Muskan Narula, Arkita Dwivedi, Avni Garg
- Third Prize- Chetna, Shahista, Arpita
- Consolation prize was awarded to the team of Prachi, Gurpriya Kaur, Bandana Kaunsal









#### **3. GREEN DIWALI CELEBRATION**

Activity coordinators: Dr. Seema Kanwar & Dr. Neetu

Date: 26.10.2021

#### No. of Participants:

Slogan writing competition- 17 Diya decoration competition- 23 Card making competition- 33

#### **Objectives:**

- To promote the concept of an eco-friendly Diwali
- To create awareness among students and sensitize them towards building pollution free environment.

**Context:** Diwali certainly brings spiritual calmness to people but the festival is becoming one of the major problems for the environment due to the carelessness of the people all around. It's high time that we recognize the problem and build a roadway to make a healthy and balanced environment. Green Diwali is a way of celebrating the festival of lights with minimum damage to the environment.

**Practice:** MCM Eco-Club in collaboration with Character-building committee of the college celebrated Green & Safe Diwali. As many as 73 students from different streams participated enthusiastically and showcased their creativity in Slogan writing, Diya decoration and Card making competitions. Mrs. Suman Mahajan & Mrs. Vandana Syal (Members, Advisory Committee of Character-building committee) were invited as judges for the above said events.

**Outcome of the event:** Participants spread the message of eco-friendly Diwali celebration through creative slogans relevant to the theme of Green and Safe Diwali. They prepared beautiful Diwali cards for brave soldiers at the border. They also decorated eco-friendly diyas with creative and innovative ideas. The event successfully spread the message of returning to our traditional ways to celebrate the auspicious day.

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| Activity        | Name of the participant | Prize             | Roll No. | Class               |
| Slogan Writing  | Ojaswani                | First             | 2969     | BA II               |
|                 | Himani Sharma           | Second            | 8701     | MSc I Chemistry     |
|                 | Zoha Mufti              | Third             | 2216     | BAI                 |
| Diya Decoration | Annanya Mahajan         | First             | 1198     | BSc III Medical     |
|                 | Harshita Rathi          | Second            | 2965     | BA II               |
|                 | Tanya                   | Third             | 7116     | BA III              |
|                 | Paramjeet Kaur          | Third (Bracketed) | 3072     | BA II               |
|                 | Tannu                   | Consolation       | 3171     | BA II               |
|                 | Mahakpreet              | Consolation       | 2763     | BA II               |
| Card Making     | Ankita Saini            | First             | 270      | BSc II Medical      |
|                 | Riya Badhera            | Second            | 1904     | BAI                 |
|                 | Varnika Malik           | Third             | 1353     | BSc III Non-Medical |
|                 | Yavneeka Gautam         | Consolation       | 6767     | BAI                 |

### RESULTS















