# Annual Report of Eco Club

# Indraprastha College for Women

# 2020-2021

The Eco Club strives to spread awareness amongst the students about the various issues that are being faced by our planet regarding our environment and to foster an eco-friendly environment in the college campus. The main aim of the Eco Club, IPCW is to create environmental awareness among the student community, the future generation of our nation. The Eco Club organized various events and activities during this session of 2020-21.

#### Anti-Nylon Thread Campaign

On 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2020, Eco Club circulated a poster for Anti-Nylon Thread campaign on its all social media handles and members' group with a tagline "**Say NO to Chinese Thread/Nylon Thread**" on the occasion of Independence Day. This was done in order to create awareness regarding the non-biodegradable Nylon Manja (Thread) which is not only harmful for the environment but is also dangerous for the birds. Eco Club requested all to use cotton threads for flying kites in order to save both birds and environment.

# Virtual Yoga Session

On 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2020, Eco Club in collaboration with the Department of Physical Education of Indraprastha College for Women organised Virtual Yoga Session under the FIT INDIA Campaign. The session was attended not only by the students of the college but their parents also joined actively. The session was refreshing and a much-needed event as the people are becoming more health conscious and need to perform yoga asanas regularly for a sound body and mind. It was an amazing experience for all.

# Anti-cracker Campaign and Workshop with Documentary Screening

In November, 2020, Anti-Cracker campaign was launched in Diwali week with the tagline "**Say NO** to **Crackers! Say NO to Noise and Air Pollution**". A workshop was also organised on the occasion of Diwali which included a presentation given by the members of the club followed by a documentary screening. It aimed at creating awareness among the student community of the college regarding the harmful impact of crackers on the environment and use of green or eco-friendly crackers on the occasion of Diwali. The general guidelines issued by the NGT in this regard were also made known to the students.

# Anti-Nylon Thread Campaign

Anti-Nylon Thread Campaign was again organised on the occasion of Makar Sankranti and Republic Day. Eco Club circulated a poster on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 for this campaign on its social media handles and members' group with a tagline "**Say NO to Chinese Thread/Nylon Thread**". This initiative was taken to aware people not to use Chinese thread and let the birds set free and happy in their own world.

# Orientation Programme for New Batch 2020-21

An Orientation Program was organised by the Eco Club on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2021 for the new batch of students under which a presentation of all activities of the eco club was shown to the students which included the main projects of the club, its past events, proposed future events and perks of joining the club. A great deal of interest was shown by the students in the club's activities and objectives and the orientation programme ended up giving the club a large number of registrations from the new-comers and some even from the old student community of the college.

#### Environmental Awareness Programme

The first event of the new academic year 2020-21 organised by the Eco Club was Environmental Awareness Programme. The event was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021. A documentary was presented on environmental pollution which was prepared by one of the members of the club and it was followed by an insightful presentation aimed at raising awareness about the environmental pollution and our responsibilities towards nature. The presentation was circulated on social media pages of Eco Club to spread awareness on a large scale.

# Save Water Campaign

Eco Club circulated a poster for wishing a very Happy Holi to all its members and followers on 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 on the occasion of Holi. The club requested all the people to celebrate Holi with dry and natural colors and save water. The wastage of water on the occasion of Holi is not only meaningless but also painful as the water scarcity is increasing day by day and save water campaigns on a large scale are the needs of the hour.

# **Environmental Quiz Competition**

An environmental quiz competition was organised for the members of the club in the last week of March, 2021. It involved two rounds – preliminary and final round. A kahoot quiz was organised and top 15 participants qualified for the final round. The final round was carried via Google Forms with strict time limit. The members showed an active participation and it was a great learning experience for all.

# Wetlands Quiz

A quiz on wetlands was organised on 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 for the members of the club. It aimed at raising awareness of the members about the wetlands and their importance in nature and human life. The Quiz was formed via Google Forms with a strict time frame. The activity was quite engaging and a learning experience for all.

#### Paper Presentation Competition with Documentary Screening

The Eco Club invited papers from the students of all departments and years for Online Paper Presentation on topic "Effects of Noise Pollution on Living Beings". The event was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021 through Google Meet on the occasion of Earth Day. Four teams were selected to present their papers on the final event after preliminary screening. All the papers presented by the finalists were unique in their own way and were presented well-enough. "Noise Pollution – Pandemic and emergence of new digitized world: Effects on Students and Environment" was declared the best paper which was presented jointly by Drishti Sharma and Khyati Yadav.

#### Earth Day Campaign

Eco Club organised Earth Day campaign on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021. A story was posted on the official Instagram page of the Eco Club about the campaign in which the followers of the club were requested to switch off their lights and phones from 5.00 pm – 6:00 pm on April 22, 2021 and share it as much as possible. Messages were also floated on the WhatsApp Groups regarding the same.

#### **Best Out of Waste Competition**

The Best out of Waste competition was organised by the Eco Club in the first week of May, 2021. There are a lot of things around that are labelled as dump but the irony is that most of the dump collected is useful for others, if recycled. Hence, utilising the best from unwanted things has become a generic necessity of every human's life. The members were asked to make the best possible use of the old stuff lying at their basement or attic that they have not had the heart to part with. A total of 14 participants sent their entries for the competition. The winners were awarded with the Certificates of Appreciation.

I would like to convey sincere gratitude to the student volunteers of Eco Club who displayed a great deal of enthusiasm in organising the events.

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