

## Centre for Environmental Studies/ Eco Club

### Report

#### *World environment day June 5 2018*

The eco club of Mar Gregorios College of Law was formally inaugurated on June 5 by **MR. BALAN MADHAVAN**, the renowned photographer and recipient of UN award. A logo designing competition and poster designing competition on the topic *see green see life* on the inaugural day. The logo for eco club is designed by Rahul Krishnan of VI semester BBA LLB. Maghna Praseeda G S of VI semester B.com LLB won first prize in poster designing competition. The inaugural ceremony was followed by a small photography exhibition by Mr. Balan Madhavan, on his Antarctic expedition.



#### *International Yoga Day June 21, 2018*

The international yoga day was inaugurated by **Rev. Dr. Philip Neri, former director of Bethany college of Physiotherapy, Nalanchira** who is a great exponent of yoga. The function began with a detailed speech on yoga and it was followed by a performance, around 50 students participated in the event.

With aim of making an *healthy campus* it is planned to conduct yoga practice for the students on every Wednesdays in the campus under the leadership of Ms. Maghna Praseeda G

S who has secured first rank in the certificate in yoga and meditation, university of Kerala (centre for adult, continuing education and extension).



### ***International Day for Preservation of Ozone Layer September 16, 2018***

In association with international day for preservation of ozone layer various literary activities such as poster designing, elocution English and Malayalam and environmental quiz were conducted.

#### **LIST OF WINNERS**

##### **ELOCUTION**

##### **ENGLISH**

1. MERLIN JACOB- 8<sup>TH</sup> SEM BA LLB  
SHILPA SANJEEVAN- 2<sup>ND</sup> SEM BBA LLB
2. NIKSHITA ANNIE THOMAS- 6<sup>TH</sup> SEM BBA LLB
3. ESWARY ANIL KUMAR- 6<sup>TH</sup> BA LLB  
VAISHNAVI 2<sup>ND</sup> BA LLB

##### **MALAYALAM**

1. JESNA H 8<sup>TH</sup> BBA
2. GEETHU L 2<sup>ND</sup> BA
3. NIRLA R U 8<sup>TH</sup> BA

##### **QUIZ**

1. KAVYA SURESH – 6<sup>TH</sup> BA  
ASWATHI S. NAIR – 6<sup>TH</sup> BA

2. JITHIN 2<sup>ND</sup> BA  
GRIDHAR 2<sup>ND</sup> BA
3. SARA JOHN 2<sup>ND</sup> BBA  
ARUNDATHI 2<sup>ND</sup> BBA







### *Newsletter, official release 2018*

The eco club newsletter “ **PARYAVARAN MITRA**” was officially released by His Beatitude Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis, the patron of our college on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018. The newsletter is published bi-monthly which includes details about different activities of the club and also tries to address various environmental related issues.



### *Plant adoption and manufacturing unit, 2018*

In commemoration with world vegan day and kerala privai, on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018, plant adoption and paper pen and bag manufacturing units were inaugurated by academic advisor Prof. Dr. Vikraman Nair. The paper pen and bag manufacturing unit function on every Thursdays in the college.



### ***Vegetable garden, 2018***

With an aim of promoting a culture of organic farming among students the preliminary work for a vegetable garden within the campus is in progress.



***World AIDS day 2018***

In order to create awareness among students about the day posters were designed by the members .





### ***Christmas 2018***

With the aim of promoting sustainable and greener Christmas members of the eco club made paper stars and decorated trees.

### ***World plant a vegetable garden day May 19 2019***

As part of world plant a vegetable garden day the initiative was revived along with a medicinal garden within the campus.

### ***International Yoga Day, 2019***

The international yoga day 2019 was observed by yoga demonstration of students within the campus under the guidance of eco club.

### ***Christmas, December, 20, 2019***

With the aim of promoting sustainable and greener Christmas members of the eco club made paper stars and decorated trees



### **SPECIAL EDITIONS OF NEWSLETTER**

Since the Pandemic limited activities within the campus, the dedicated group of eco club members came up with the idea of special editions of newsletter comprising activities conducted by the students at home. These editions include activities like gardening, craft making, environmental experiences etc of students

2018- 2019 edition

2019-2020 edition

2020-2021 edition

### **ESTABLISHMENT OF CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

The Centre for Environmental Studies is dedicated for sustainable development and it reflects our commitment towards the environment. The centre is established with the aim of creating environmental awareness and education.

#### **Mission**

To develop skills and best practices for sustainable development, and make significant contributions towards environmental protection

#### **Objectives**

- To promote environmental awareness among all segments of the society
- To educate students and inculcate eco-friendly attitude



- To conduct research and disseminate solutions community issues
- To inculcate proper attitude towards environment conservation

## **REPORT OF PROGRAMMES CONDUCTED ON 22-03-2021**

In connection with world forestry day and world water day, two events were conducted by Paryavaran Mitra on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021.

### **1. Tree planting drive:**

Highlighting the importance **World Forestry Day** tree planting drive was conducted in the college premises under the **Social Forestry** initiative in association with **Kerala Forest Department**.

Time:- 9:00 am

Participants: Staff and students

Number of saplings: more than 50

### **2. Webinar**

In order to create awareness about the conservation of water a webinar was conducted on the topic "**Right to water and Right over Water**".

**Resource of person:** Prof. Dr Sairam Bhat, Professor of law & centre coordinator, Centre for environmental law education research and advocacy, National law school of India university Bangalore

**Date:** 22-03-2021

**Time:** 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

**About the speaker:** Prof. Dr Sairam Bhat is professor of law & centre coordinator of Centre for Environmental Law Education Research and Advocacy at National Law School of India university Bangalore. He is also the author of "Environmental Law Handbook for Law Practitioners", "Law Relating to Business Contracts in India" and many others. He is the recipient of Young India Environmental Law Fellowship.

**Description:** during this webinar he presented various aspects relating to the right to water and different dimensions of right over water. A clear cut understanding about the pros and cons of water privatisation, water related disputes, water stress and crisis etc were given through the lecture.

**Program:** the program was conducted through Microsoft Teams, team named MGCL events. There were more than 156 participants.

The meeting began with welcome address by Ms. Jincy P Babu, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of eco club which was followed by introductory remarks by Dr. Deepthi U,

Assistant Professor Mgel. The lectures lasted for 45 minutes and after that question were asked and discussions on the same were conducted. Arundathi D , Student proposed the Vote of Thanks.

## **REPORT OF PROGRAMMES CONDUCTED ON JUNE 5, 2021**

### **1. Competition:**

As part of the World Environment Day, poster designing essay writing and photography competitions for the students and following students are the winners.

List of winners:

#### ESSAY WRITING

1. SHILPA SANJEEVAN- 8<sup>TH</sup> SEM BBA LLB
2. PREM HARSHAN – 2<sup>ND</sup> SEM BA LLB
3. NAVAMI GOPAN- 2<sup>ND</sup> SEM BA LLB

#### POSTER DESIGNING

1. SHERLIN SHAJI VARGHESE- 1<sup>ST</sup> SEM BA LLB
2. ANARGHA V SUNIL- 7<sup>TH</sup> SEM BBA LLB
3. MEGHA ANN VARUGHESE- 2<sup>ND</sup> BA LLB

#### PHOTOGRAPHY

1. ELITA ANNA SHEEN- 5<sup>TH</sup> SEM BA LLB
- 2. Inauguration of Eco club activities for the Academic Year 2021-2022 and a talk on significance of the day**

Inauguration of eco club activities was conducted along with a talk on the relevance of environment day.

**Resource of person:** Dr. Parivelan K M, Chairperson; Associate Professor, Nodal Centre Of Excellence, For Human Rights Education; Centre For Statelessness, And Refugee Studies, School Of Law, Rights And Constitutional Governance, Tata Institute Of Social Sciences.

**Date:** 05-06-2021

**Time:** 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**About the speaker:** Dr. Parivelan K M, Chairperson; Associate Professor, Nodal Centre Of Excellence, For Human Rights Education; Centre For Statelessness, And Refugee Studies, School Of Law, Rights And Constitutional Governance, Tata Institute Of Social Sciences. Previously he had served at United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) for facilitating the post-Tsunami recovery and at United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

(UNHCR) and facilitated the voluntary repatriation of Sri Lankan refugees as part of peace process. He also taught at Pondicherry (Central) University, Puducherry.

**Description:** during this webinar he presented various aspects relating to the right to water and different dimensions of right over water. A clear cut understanding about relevance of the day, why environment is to be protected, impact of disasters on the environment etc were discussed.

**Program:** the program was conducted through Microsoft Teams, team named MGCL events. There were more than 156 participants.

The meeting began with welcome address by Ms. Jincy P Babu, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of eco club which was followed by introductory remarks by Ms. Abhaya B K, Assistant Professor. The lectures lasted for 45 minutes and after that question were asked and discussions on the same were conducted. Shilpa Sanjeevan, Student proposed the Vote of Thanks.

## **INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR CLIMATE ACTION 24-10-2021 AND WORLD SUSTAINABILITY DAY**

### I. PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

An all India intercollegiate photography competition was announced on the theme ***vengeance of nature***. Entries were open for all students till November 1<sup>st</sup>. Each work should be directly or indirectly associated with the theme and should accompanied with 50 words.

The winners are:

1. Mohammed Shinan S  
First year Bsc Physics  
SB college Changanseery  
Picture name: the river returned everything we threw away
2. Abhijith Gopal  
3<sup>rd</sup> year BBA LLB  
Christ(deemed to be university)  
Banglore  
Picture name: Burnt waste amid covid haste

### II. ECO CRAFTER HUNT

The competition was conducted for students of MGCL to identify the best person who converts waste into anything useful. Entries were open till November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Special mention: Milton Johnny J S, 10<sup>th</sup> semester BBA LLB

## **PLASTIC FREE CAMPUS CAMPAIGN NOVEMBER 2021**



According to the UGC dated 08-10-2021, and as part of AZADI KA AMIRT MAHOSHAV, SWECHATHA HI SEWA CAMPAIGN the eco club of MGCL in association with Centre For Environmental Studies is initiating PLASTIC FREE CAMPUS CAMPAIGN

**I. Logo designing competition**

A logo designing competition was conducted for centre for environmental studies for the students of MGCL.

Selected logo was designed by A K Karthik, 6<sup>th</sup> semester B.com LLB

**II. Slogan writing and digital poster making competition**

A digital poster making and slogan writing competition was conducted to create awareness on waste disposal among students.

Best poster and slogan: - A K Karthik

6<sup>th</sup> semester B.com LLB

**III. Awareness program on Waste Management and Disposal**

**Date:-** November 16, 2021

**Time:** 10:00 am

**Venue:** seminar hall

**Attendees:** Eco club Members and cleaning Staff

**Resource Person:** P Kesavan Nair, Managing Director, Clean Kerala Company Ltd, Thiruvananthapuram.

**Description:** the program was to create an awareness on the methods for collection segregation and disposal of waste generated in the campus. The speaker detailed about the scope of recycling and reuse of non-biodegradable waste.

**Program:** - the program started with silent prayer followed by welcome note by Prakrithi R Nair of 8<sup>th</sup> BBA LLB. The speaker then explained the contents in detailed which was concluded by discussion on the doubts and suggestions by students. Owshed Kurian of 3<sup>rd</sup> BA LLB delivered vote of thanks.

**IV. Beach cleaning drive and waste disposal awareness by green volunteers**

The green volunteers of our eco club actively participated along with SUSTERA foundation, environmental NGO in mass beach cleaning drive and waste disposal awareness activities in VETTUKADU BEACH.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**1. NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL LAW**

**FACULTIES AND NATIONAL SEMINAR ON ENVIRONMENTAL  
CRIMES ON DECEMBER 21 AND 22 IN ASSOCIATION WITH  
MAHARASHTRA NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY.**

**2. SPECIAL MONTHLY EDITION OF NEWSLETTER BY DECEMBER**

