

## **Eco-club**

The mission of the Eco-club is "Go Green initiative" to raise the students' "interest" over environmental issues and to get the students actively involved in environmental matters from their own area. The club also seeks to conserve nature's heritage by education and direct conservation efforts to spread awareness about good environmental practices like for a ban on plastic, proper dumping of garbage, planting of trees etc. within P.B.Siddhartha College of Arts & Science

Eco-Club of P.B.Siddhartha College of Arts & Science is going to play vital role in creating environmental awareness amongst the future generation. It is actively engaged in overall environmental education by adopting various environment friendly approaches for conservation and preservation of environment.

### **The activities of the Eco-Club are:**

#### **1. Cleanliness Drive by SLC students in college campus**

Eco-club aims to promote, monitor and operate environmental activities of the college. Eco-club volunteers participated in various social/ environmental activities of the college as well as outside the college premises. This created environmental awareness among the students and future generation. Cleanliness drive was conducted during the Election time. All the volunteers of Eco club propagated eco-friendly step towards environment in which they interacted with the students and articulated them about the importance of paper, its uses and misuses in the college campus.

#### **2. Vermicomposting**

We have a vermicompost where the biodegradable waste collected from the campus is converted to useful manure. The manure is used for our garden. Biodegradable and non-biodegradable wastes are collected in separate bins

#### **3. Awareness programme on plastic ban in Vijayawada**

Eco club volunteers of P.B.Siddhartha College of Arts & Science area near Vegetable Market to spread awareness about the environmental damage through plastic bags. They also distributed cloth-bags to them free of cost. The main objective of the drive was to sensitize the students as well as the local vendors of nearby area to minimize the use of plastic bags, not to throw them in public places as they choke drains, causing water logging. The water-logged areas are natural breeding grounds for mosquitoes

#### **4. Best out of waste**

A creative activity 'Best out of waste' was conducted to create awareness among the students about the importance of 3Rs viz. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. On the spot competition was conducted to emphasize upon "Reuse" policy of sustainable development. The students prepared many beautiful items like cushions, flowers out of waste tyres, polythene. The participants enthusiastically prepared different products from the waste and also learnt the reuse of waste products and conservation of natural resources.

### **5. Eco Tour**

Every year, Eco Club organizes an Eco Tour for the students of our school in order to sensitize them regarding biodiversity of the different regions.

### **6. Environment Bins**

Classroom biodegradable waste and waste from plants are collected by the green volunteers of Eco Club and have been dumped into a pit and subjected for composting

### **7. Zero Garbage**

Our College aims at creating a ZERO garbage zone. Dustbins of various colours for segregating garbage at source have been placed at various points. Green coloured dustbin is for Paper and Blue coloured dustbin is for Non-Biodegradable waste and the non-biodegradable waste is picked up by the rag pickers and we do not throw anything in the Municipal Corporation of Vijayawada made dust pond.

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