ECO CLUB REPORT

Sree Siddaganga College of Arts, Science and Commerce has an active Eco-club. The Eco-Club committee, student members and volunteers have joined hands to successfully organize quite a few programs.

On 22nd February 2022, the club in association with the IQAC organised a special talk on "Climate Change and Sustainability:Challenges for Mankind" to create awareness about the issue among the students.Dr R G Sharath Chandra, Co-ordinator, Department of Studies and Research in Biotechnology and Microbiology, was the resource person.He explained in detail the causes for climate change and what could be done to prevent or at least minimize it.

On 9th of June 2022, World Environment Day was observed. Sri B V Gundappa ,noted environmentalist and vice principal of government PU College C S Pura, was the chief guest and resource person. He spoke about the Biodiversity of Tumkur. He shared a visual presentation of the wildlife of Tumkur, which consisted of photos clicked by the guest himself. It was an enlightening experience for all of us because despite being localites, we were unaware of the rich biodiversity of our district.



Felicitation by the principal to sri B V Gundappa

On the 8th of December 2022,a Green Audit Facilitation Program was organised for the Eco- Club volunteers at 3:00 p.m. in room number 101. The program was presided over by the principal Dr H P Veerabhadraswamy. The program was attended by Eco-Club committee members, IQAC co-ordinator Prof C S Somashekhariah and environmental officer from CPREE, Sri Ravi Shankar. Smt Shahanaz Fathima, Convenor of the Club welcomed the gathering.



Green Audit Facilitation program

The IQAC Co-ordinator, prof Somashekhariah explained about NAAC to the students. Sri Ravi Shankar spoke about how to do green audit and the principal spoke of the need for green audit, it's use and impact on the accreditation of the institution.



Inauguration of the green audit work-principal listing a few plants on the campus.

On the 14th of December 2022, the green audit work of the college and its campus was formally inaugurated. The work was set in motion by the principal formally identifying a few plants on the campus and listing them. That day the whole team was dressed in shades of green. All the five sub teams dispersed and started their assigned task.



Green audit work in progress.

In the months of November and December 2022 the Eco-club undertook the job of green audit of the college and its campus under the supervision of Sri Ravi Shankar, environmental officer CPREE Chennai. A core team of thirtyfive dedicated student volunteers cutting across combinations was formed. This team was again split into five sub teams and specific task was assigned to them. These students carried out the work and prepared an excellent report.

Tumkur Science Centre had organized eco related activities like trekking, hiking and bird watching for interested student volunteers of degree colleges on weekends. The Eco-club of our college teamed up with them and took interested student volunteers of our college for a Bird-Watching program on Sunday 12th February 2023 to Bheemasandra lake area. It was a beautiful experience. Binoculars were given to the students and a resource person

explained the different birds seen that morning in and around the lake area. We were able to identify fortyeight varieties of birds and learnt about their habits and habitats.



Bird watching in progress in Bheemasandra lake area.

On the 21st of february 2023,the principal hosted a lunch for the green audit team, in the seminar hall, in appreciation of their hard and excellent work.



Students sharing their audit experiences. Principal hosted lunch.

The students shared their experiences with each other and the principal. The principal, IQAC co-ordinator and external observer appreciated and congratulated the students, gave them tips, advise and suggestions.

The college observed World Environment Day on June 5th, 2023 in association with Department of Zoology ,NSS and Eco-Club. The theme for the year was "Beat plastic pollution". A Jatha was taken out by the students from the college to town Hall Circle. Many interesting and innovative slogans, banners, posters and placards were prepared and displayed by the students.



Jatha on World Environment Day 5 th june 2023

On 28th June 2023, the Eco-club, IQAC,CPREE and KARUNA Foundation,Chennai jointly organised an interactive program exclusively for interested girl students of the Eco-club. The theme was "Eat Healthy,Go Green" Dr H S Niranjan Aradhya, former principal of SSCASC was the resource person. He spoke about the importance of good diet for young girls. He dwelt at length on how good nutrition plays an important role in the development of the mind and body of young women. Around fifty girl students participated actively and benefited from the program.



Inauguration of "Eat Healthy-Go Green" Program.