

World Environment Day 2017

Impact of climate change on food production

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Food security is when all people have access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food. Crop production relies on a balance of temperature, precipitation, CO₂ level etc. An increase of 1°C decreases the yield of rice and wheat by 10%.

World Earth Day – April 22, 2017

World Earth Day was observed on April 22, 2017 by making a bird bath in the campus at Medicinal plant garden. Bird bath is an artificial pond created with water-filled basin, in which birds may drink, bathe and cool themselves. A bird bath is an attraction for many different species of birds to visit gardens, especially during the summer and drought periods.



1. Bird bath

Vanamahotsava

Vanamahotsava was celebrated on 07.07.2017 by distributing fruit saplings of Pomegranate, jackfruit, guava, jamun fruit, Graviola fruit, mango, chikoo, pineapple, Gooseberry etc. to students and staff of the University. A total of 130 species of fruit saplings are distributed on that occasion.



2. Sapling distribution

“Swachhta Pakhwada”
(Sept. 1 to Sept. 15, 2017)

As a part of Swachhata Pakhwada, the following activities were observed by the Centre for Environmental Studies in collaboration with Yenepoya Nursing College and Yenepoya Physiotherapy College.

- 1) **A Guest Lecture was organized on the topic “Garbage cleaning systems in Public spaces” by Mr. Madhu Manohar, Environmental Engineer, Mangaluru City Corporation, Mangaluru.**

Mr. Madhu presented the current status of Solid waste management in Mangaluru city. Statistics on city population, amount of waste generated and managed was discussed. Regulations governing biomedical waste and E-waste were informed. Suggestions on reducing the amount of waste being generated and importance of segregation at source was made aware for the students. Students from Yenepoya Nursing College and Yenepoya Physiotherapy College attended the Guest lecture.



3. Guest lecture by Mr. Madhu Manohar

- 2) **Debriefing session with Municipal Commissioner, Mrs. Vani V. Alva of Ullala Municipal Council about the systems for cleanliness.**

A debriefing session with Municipal Commissioner, Mrs. Vani V. Alva of Ullala Municipal Council about the systems for cleanliness was organized. The panel also included the President, Mr. Husain Kunhimonu, Health inspectors Mr. Jayashankar Hegde, Mr. Shajith and Mr. Rajesh. Dr. Bhagya Sharma introduced the panel and opened the discussion by briefing the topic. Mrs.

Vani Alva opened the discussion by presenting an outline on the waste management system in Ullala Municipal Council. She provided the statistics of her jurisdiction and explained the procedure in waste management and disposal. The Health inspectors added on the provisions from government and challenges faced. Student volunteers from Yenepoya Nursing College and Yenepoya Physiotherapy College interacted by asking questions to the panel. Mrs. Vani Alva concluded the session by giving tips to students how they can contribute in reducing the amount of waste generation and educate people in their community postings about waste recycling and segregation.



4. Debriefing with Municipal Commissioner 5. Interaction by students with Commissioner

3) Elocution competition on the topic “Health and Hygiene is the real wealth” for students of Yenepoya Nursing College.

An Elocution competition was organized on the topic “Health and Hygiene is the real wealth” on 14.09.2017 at Board room, Yenepoya Nursing College. A total of 19 students participated and three students were awarded cash prizes.



6. Prize winners of Elocution Competition

4) “Cleanest hostel room” contest

A contest on cleanest hostel room was organized for boys and girls of YNC. The hostels were inspected by the judges and different criteria such as organization of books, clothes and slippers, no odour in the room, dustbins are emptied, no scattering, walls are tidy, bed spread and pillow case are clean and neat was examined. A total of 91 rooms of which 85 girl’s rooms and 6 boy’s rooms were inspected and three rooms were selected for prizes.



7. Judging clean room contest

“Swachhta Hi Seva”

(Sept. 15 to Oct. 3, 2017)

As a part of Swachhta Hi Seva, the following activities were observed by the Centre for Environmental Studies.

1) **Tree plantation:** Two saplings of *Swietenia mahagoni* were planted by the students in the campus.



8. Sapling plantation



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2) **“Cleanest hostel room” contest:** A contest on cleanest hostel room was organized for few hostel blocks of the University. The hostels were inspected by the judges and different criteria such as organization of books, clothes and slippers, no odour in the room, dustbins are emptied, no scattering, walls are tidy, bed spread and pillow case are clean and neat was examined. A total of 254 rooms were inspected and three rooms were selected for prizes in each block.



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3) **Swachhta Pledge:** The Swachhta Pledge was administered by Dr. G. Shreekumar Menon Registrar, Yenepoya University. Hon’ble Vice Chancellor Dr. M. Vijaykumar distributed prizes for the winners of all competitions. In his address to students he spoke on the importance of

cleanliness in medical profession. Prof. M. Abdul Rahiman, former Vice Chancellor of Kannur and Calicut Universities graced the occasion.



12. Prize distribution by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor



13. Swachhata pledge