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Best Practices 2024-25

Academic year started in regular way from 11th June 2024

Best Practice 1: Environmental protection awareness and water stewardship

1.1 **Title of the Practice:** (YEWS) Youth Engagement and Water Stewardship session

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Objectives:- 1. Importance of YEWS initiative

2. MYCA certification

3. Why Waste app download and daily use

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taken by the students and they will actively participate in all the environment awareness and conservation programs.



1.2 Title of the Practice:- Awareness lecture on Environment protection and Waste Management conducted by Poornam EcoVision, an Environmental NGO

Objectives of the Practice:- The lecture aimed to spread awareness about protecting the environment and to encourage people to take part in nature conservation. It received a great response. Poornam EcoVision has been working in this field for the past ten years. The speakers explained the importance of environmental protection and suggested simple activities that everyone can follow to help save our planet.



1.2 Title of the Practice:- Plastic and E Waste collection Drive

Objectives of the Practice:-Hazardous Plastic and E waste collection and give it for reuse,recycle purpose.

The Context:-

Drives for collection of plastic and E waste were organised by the green club in the college. Before the drive students were oriented about the collection from nearby area houses. Two separate boxes (plastic & E waste) were kept in the verandah and all collected items were supposed to be placed in boxes.



1.3 Title of the Practice:- Composting Unit for degradable waste management.

Objectives of the Practice:- To make aware and provide hands on for composting of Biodegradable

The Context:- Composting Unit was set up by Green club in which Biodegradable things are put. Vermiculture was mixed (earthworms) to boost the process. Expert advice is continuously observed for better results. Students and staff are advised to bring Nirmalya from daily Pooja to put in the Unit.

Best Practice 2: Redefining and implementing environmental culture for Green Campus

2.1 Green Club Formation (UNICEF-State Govt.,GCFC Order and KBJIIT Green Club Letter office order attached)

Objectives of the Practice:- To form a college level committee for planning and executing various Green campus activities throughout the year.

The Context-

The Department of Higher & Technical Education, Government of Maharashtra & DTE, in coordination with UNICEF undertook the training program / mission on Water Conservation for youth in 13 districts of Maharashtra. The purpose of forming Green Club at Institute level across 13 districts of Maharashtra is to coordinate interventions to combat and face climate change globally, nationally, and at the local level. While forming the Green Club, it is essential to ensure a balance of all genders and have at least 100 student volunteers registered in the Club. The Club's membership will be for two years. Green Club will primarily focus on coordinating with youth in their respective universities and colleges to support environmental activities and projects within colleges and communities as extension services. The aim of this Program is to empower students to participate in and take up meaningful environmental activities to ensure effective implementation and act as a platform to develop sustainable lifestyles, knowledge and leadership skills.

2.2 Shadu mati collection centre (Punaravartan)

Objectives of the Practice:- Ganapati Murti Visarjit Shadu Mati Collection and reuse.

The Context:- After Ganapati Festival, all Visarjit idols of Shadu Mati are appealed to collect at the nearest centre. This mati was transported to Pen Village for reuse purposes. Our Green Club Members volunteered centres in kothrud, karve nagar and warje area.



2.3 Volunteering Pune city Plastic and E Waste collection Drive (PEHEL)

Objectives of the Practice:- PEHEL (Plastic and E-waste Handling for Eco Friendly Lifestyle) is a comprehensive initiative designed to address the environmental challenges posed by plastic and electronic waste in the Pune Municipal Corporation area. This program focuses on mitigating pollution, protecting human health, conserving resources, creating economic opportunities, and promoting sustainable practices to build a healthier and more sustainable planet.

The Context:- On 23rd February 2025 PEHEL was conducted throughout the Pune city. Waste was appealed to divide as E-Waste(Old phones, computers, batteries, TVs, etc) and Plastic Waste(Bottles, wrappers, containers, and other recyclable plastic items)

To locate the nearest collection points links were published and green club members volunteered at the centres in the karvenagar, warje and kothrud area.



2.4 River Cleaning Drive:- River cleaning at Mutha ghat on 23 March 2025 . Early morning Green club volunteers gathered at the bank of Mutha near Garware back side and collected the waste. It was handed over to the municipal corporation collection vehicle. Here is video link of the drive

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ARUkMP_1O9eEqx0K1f9W5qnPFRiRE6nP/view?usp=drive_link

Video Link

