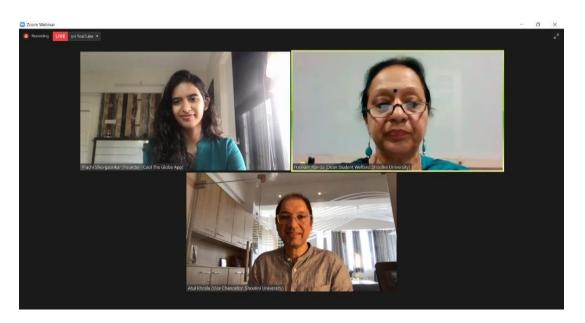


August 05, 2021

Discussion on Climate Change

In our first of Young Achievers series, a Yogananda Guru talk was organized on August 05, 2021. Prachi Shevgaonkar who is a media professional, spoke about climate change. She said climate change can destabilizes the earth's temperature equilibrium and has farreaching effects on human beings and the environment. She encouraged students to start with small things in their life that can result in big changes. She also spoke about her Android Application "Cool The Globe" that helps you to reduce the carbon foot-print and gives you exact data of the saving we do every day. A total of 120 students were present virtually during the talk.



Prachi Shevgaonkar, VC Atul Khosla and Ms. Poonam Nanda during a discussion on climate change





Prachi Shevgaonkar talking about her Android Application "Cool the Globe"

August 14, 2021

Cleaning Drive at Shimla

Shoolini University in collaboration with "Healing Himalayas" organized a cleaning drive at Shimla on August 14, 2021. The response to this in initiative was huge but due to covid restrictions, only around 30 students could go for it. Healing Himalayas provided bags and gloves to the volunteers and the area from Lift to Mall Road Shimla was cleaned up. This drive was also supported by the pollution board, Shimla. Arrangements for snacks and lunch were also made for the volunteers. The day was well spent, and the energy levels of the volunteers were high. Mr. Pradeep Sangwan, Founder of Healing Himalayas greatly appreciated the effort by the volunteers.



Volunteers Nitin Dadhwal & Rushikesh Nawale collecting the garbage Near Shimla Mall





Volunteers collecting plastic and garbage

August 29, 2021

Gun Ki Ser- Clean-up

Forty-five volunteers of SFY accompanied by three faculty members visited Gun Ki Ser to clean up the Ashram. Then they were taken around the entire area of the Ashram and were shown various medicinal plants. The volunteers worked for few hours cleaning all the weeds that were disturbing the medicinal plants. Demonstration on Yoga and benefits of Yoga were given by Swamiji. The local residents also gathered there and appreciated the work of Shoolini University and volunteers who are constantly taking part in such activities. The students were also taken to heritage park for a visit. Most of the students were new and they were very excited to visit the park. Then a nice lunch was organized. The whole day was greatly enjoyed by the volunteers because they did some great work to help the community and the new students met each other and enjoyed themselves having lunch together. The whole experience was enjoyable one.





Shoolini volunteers cleaning the weed

October 02, 2021

Tree plantation and Cleaning Drive

On Gandhi Jayanti, volunteers of Shoolini University went to the nearby villages of Shoolini University. In this tree plantation drive, the volunteers of NSS & SFY Club Shoolini University volunteered for the activity. On this day, students planted some plants with herbal properties and some plants with good medicinal use., Mr. Suresh explained about the properties and applications of these plants. After this, the geo-tagging of these plants was done. The students were very excited for this activity. Along with this, students did cleaning in nearby areas and collected quintals of plastic. A total of 120 students participated in this activity.







This GANDHI JAYANTI

NSS Shoolini and SFY presents



Date: 2nd, October 2021

"He who plants a tree. Plants a hope." - Lucy Larcom

Poster created for the event





NSS volunteers planting the saplings near university campus



Volunteers posing for a photograph with the garbage collected by them



October 16, 2021

Cleaning of Natural Water Resource

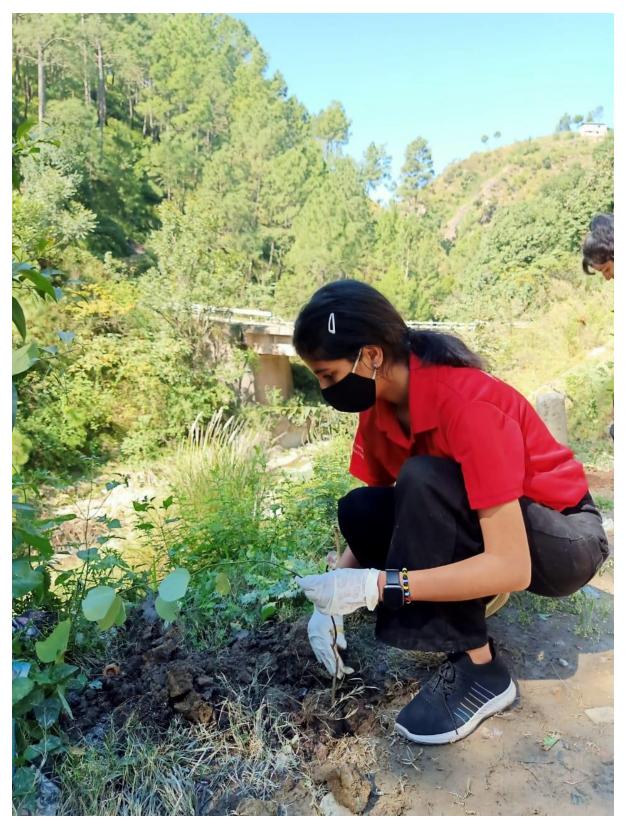
On Shoolini University Foundation Day, volunteers of NSS Shoolini University went to nearby village to clean the natural water resource. There is a natural water spring near Shoolini University which is used to take water from by many villagers for their daily drinking usage. Shoolini volunteers cleaned the area around the water spring by removing all the plastic material thrown nearby. Volunteers removed and destroyed weed around the water resource and planted some herbal and useful trees around the water resource.

Number of students participated: - 22



NSS volunteers destroying weeds for the proper growth of plants





NSS volunteer planting the sapling



November 21, 2021

Ashwani Khadd Cleaning with Cleaning Himalayas

A cleaning drive at Ashwani Khadd in collaboration with Healing Himalayas was held on November 21 in which 80 students and faculty of Shoolini University participated with full energy. The students were divided into three teams and allocation of areas was done. Ashwani khud, being a popular destination for tourists is littered with plastic and picnic leftovers hence requires frequent cleaning. The garbage that was collected was sent off to Salogra for proper segregation and disposal. The students were treated to the traditional Dhaam meal which they thoroughly enjoyed. They also participated in the open mic sessions that were in process at the Xanadu Cafe. All in all, a great day for learning life skills in a practical manner.

Number of students participated: - 83



Volunteers cleaning at Ashwani Khadd



Volunteers doing garbage collection





Volunteers after loading the garbage to a pickup car



Youth Parliament Group Discussion competition- Faculty of Sciences

The event was Co-ordinated by Dr. Reshma Sinha and Dr. Dipika Rana. Dr. Mamta Sharma (Associate Professor) and Dr. Ritesh Banerjee (Assistant Professor), School of Biological and Environmental Sciences were requested to judge the event for which they gladly gave their consent. A total of 19 registered for the event and they were simultaneously allotted time for their speech.

The participants very actively participated in the event and kept forward their viewpoints on plastic pollution and ways to combat it. More specifically many participants emphasized on the below salient points: (1) Use of environment friendly recyclable materials instead of plastic (2) Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. (3) Emphasized on the use of recycling ppt kits and masks to reduce plastic waste in this corona pandemic. (4) Strict norms should be made by the government to prohibit manufacturers promoting plastic. (5) It was emphasized that social awareness creation is very important, and it is duty of single individual to reduce the use of plastic. Based on the assessment criteria comprising of clarity of viewpoint, subject matter and Oration and Articulation, Vedant Sharma and Shailja Sharma were declared the final winners of the event.



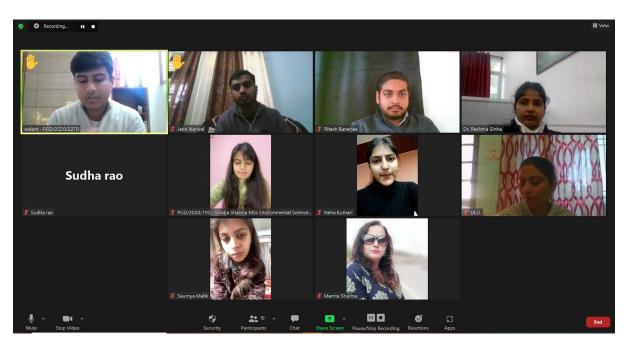


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Students taking part in a group discussion



A screenshot of the group discussion happening in virtual mode

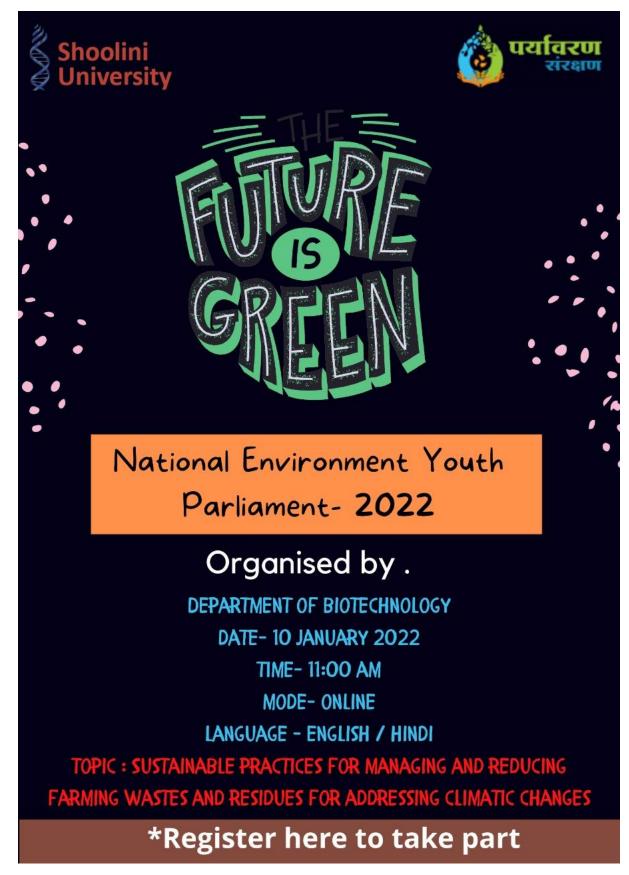


Youth Parliament Group Discussion competition- Department of Biotechnology

"Future is green: yes, we need to make it Sustainable and clean" This idea was carried forward by the voices of the 5 participants who raised their voices for the topic " Sustainable practices for managing and reducing farming wastes and residues for climatic changes in the First screening competition organised by the Faculty Co-ordinator, Dr Nitika Thakur (Faculty of Applied Sciences and Biotechnology),and 2 student coordinator (Mr Sushant, BSc Biotechnology and Mr Abhishek, BTech FT) on Monday (10/01/2022), from 11:40 onwards for the National Environment Youth Parliament 2022 via virtual mode.

The whole session went as an excellent one and was innovative and research oriented. The participants fully displayed their skills and research driven process to present their opinions and views. The session was judged by our two experts: one external, Prof Sanjeev Patankar (Retd. Prof, RTM Nagpur University, Maharashtra) and one internal, Dr. Chandresh Thakur, Assistant Professor, Biotechnology, Shoolini University) The parameters taken into consideration for results were combined for the 2 sessions based on research and content, oration and articulation, Demeanour, diplomacy, clarity of thoughts.





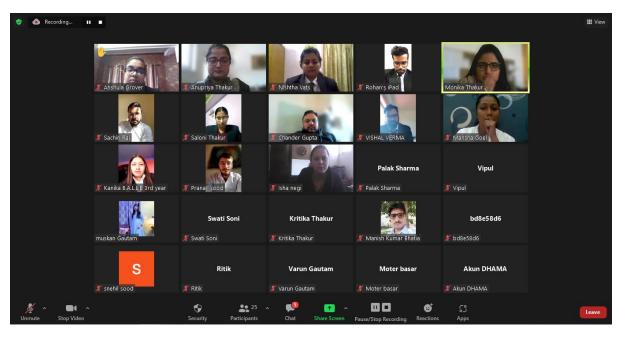
Poster created for the event



Youth Parliament Group Discussion competition- Faculty of Legal Sciences

National Environment Youth Parliament conducted virtually by Faculty of Legal Sciences on 10/01/2022. The session was attended by 34 individuals which included Dean, Faculty of Legal Sciences Prof. (Dr.) N.K. Gupta, Dean, Faculty of Engineering Prof. Virender Rehani and various other faculty members and students from the department of law. There was a total of 8 participants from various batches of BALLB, LLB & LLM expressing their view on the topic of "Conservation of Wildlife and Biodiversity". The main aim of the session was to make the attendees aware about the various issues we are facing in the 21st century related to the environment and further sharing some insights on the existing government policies. Various valid points that showcased the importance of conserving the environment were made, taking reference from various ancient religion texts further shedding light on the current scenario of wildlife and various government policies. The participants scrutinized the government on the lack of updated policies, Acts and penal provisions which not only defeats the purpose of learning about preserving the environment but hinders the various efforts put in by different platforms across the world. The event also highlighted environmental issues such as population explosion, extinction of rare species and lack of awareness regarding conservation of wildlife and biodiversity.





Students participating in Youth Parliament group discussion



Students taking part in an NEYP group discussion



Youth Parliament Group Discussion competition- The Faculty of Management Sciences

The Faculty of Management Sciences (FMS), Shoolini University, organized the first round of National Environment Youth Parliament Group Discussion on Jan 10,2022 The topic of the Group Discussion was: Role of Ethical and Moral Education for Climate Awareness. Students from UG and PG courses of FMS participated in the GD. The event started with a welcome address by Dr. Prachi Kapil, faculty coordinator for the programme.

The participants started with a two- minute introduction about the topic. Each student put forth their views about the role of ethics and moral values in climate awareness. After this, the house was open for group discussion. The student coordinator Akul Parmar moderated the session. The students discussed various aspects related to the topic. Initially, they were a little hesitant to speak but after sharing a few opinions and arguments, the students were quite active. They discussed about biodegradable and renewable forms of energy, the various pacts and treaties related to climate awareness and the importance of moral and ethical values in bringing lifestyle changes. The discussion lasted for 15 minutes and then each participant was given a chance to conclude the GD. Towards the end, Mr. Mukesh Goswami and Dr. Kesari gave their feedback to the participants and shared some important points related to the topic. Their concluding remarks were very well taken by the participants.





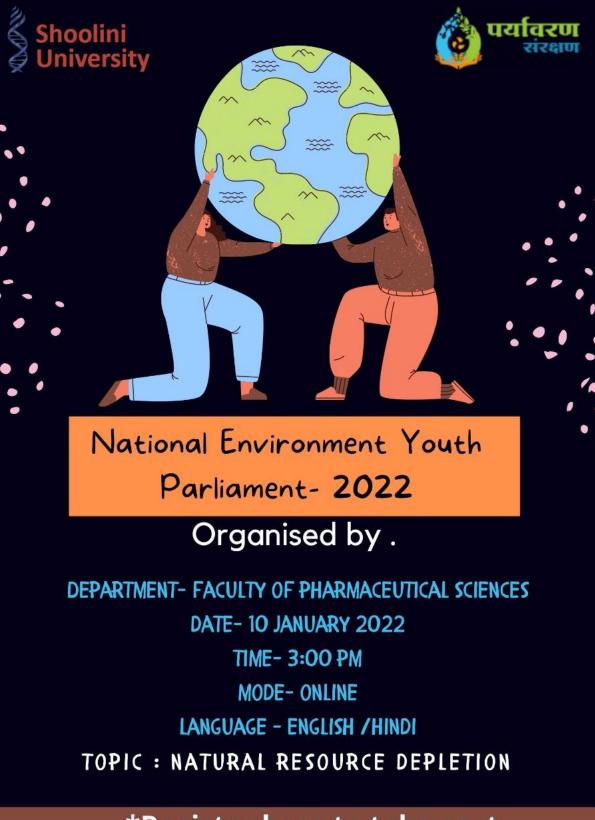
Students taking part in a group discussion



Youth Parliament Group Discussion competition- Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences

A group discussion under Youth Parliament was conducted by Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences. The participants started with a two- minute introduction about the topic. Each student presented their views about the role of ethics and moral values in climate awareness. After this, the house was open for group discussion in which students discussed various aspects related to the topic. They discussed about biodegradable and renewable forms of energy, the various pacts and treaties related to climate awareness and the importance of moral and ethical values in bringing lifestyle changes. The discussion lasted for 15 minutes and then each participant was given a chance to conclude the group discussion. Towards the end, Dr. Rajesh gave his feedback to the participants and shared some important points related to the topic. Their concluding remarks were very well taken by the participants.





*Register here to take part

Poster created for the event



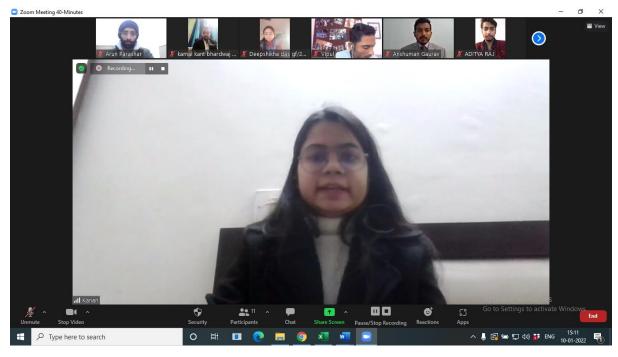


Dr. Rajesh Chauhan addressing the students



A student talking about sustainable development goals





A participant presenting her views on sustainable development

Level 1: National Environment Youth Parliament – 2022 organised at Shoolini University

The National Environment Youth Parliament 2022 - "Nurturing Environment Leaders" is being organised by Paryavaran Sanrakshan Gatividhi (PSG) amongst universities across the country to sensitise the youth about the prevailing environmental problems posing a serious threat to the safety and welfare of humans. Shoolini University was chosen as the partner university to organise the event and it took the initiative and organised the National Environment Youth Parliament 2022 on a virtual mode. The event was inaugurated by Chancellor of the University, Prof. Prem Kumar Khosla. The chancellor in his welcome address focused on the importance of Sustainability Development Goals and the initiative taken by the university for the same. He also briefed the importance of conservation of Himalayas in the modern era where industrialisation is at a high pace. Mr. Pradeep Sangwan-founder healing Himalayas who has done immense work in cleaning the Himalayan belt was the guest of honour for the event. Mr Vipin Pubby, Senior Journalist and Dean, School of Journalism and Mass communication, Mr Abhishek Taneja - founder member, EarthJust and Ms. Prachi Sheogaonkar, founder- Cool the globe app were the esteemed judges for the event. The participants virtually discussed and debated on topic How can we manage natural disasters with sustainable practices and Role of individuals/ households in adopting environment friendly conservation measures. The participants enthusiastically made valid points for sustainable



development of our environment preservation. The event was coordinated by Dean Student Welfare Mrs, Poonam Nanda. Out of 16 Participants, top 5 were chosen for the next round.

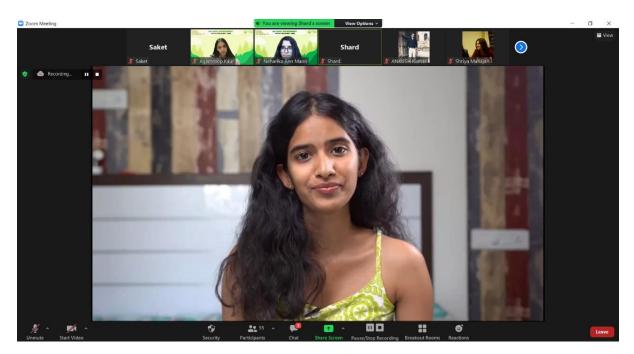


Chancellor Dr. PK Khosla talking about sustainable development goals



Founder of Healing Himalayas Mr Pradeep Sangwan was guest of honour of the event



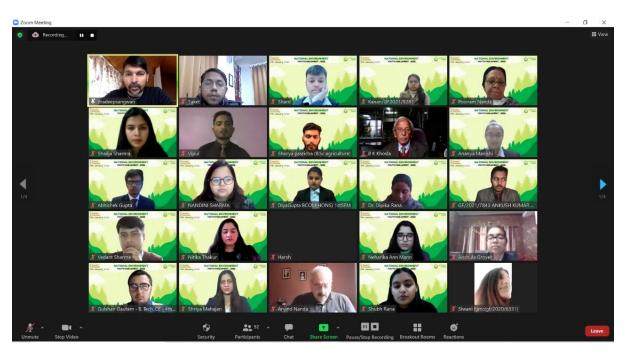


Founder of Cool the Globe App Ms Prachi was one of the judges of the event



Mr. Vipin Pubby was one of the judges of the event





A photograph of students participating in the event in virtual mode



The list of winners of the competition



March 13, 2022

Potter Hill- Cleaning Drive with Healing Himalayas

Shoolini is often invited for cleaning drives by Healing Himalayas. Mr Pradeep Sangwan the founder of this NGO is known across the nation for working towards a sustainable solution for the Himalayas. The students who went by the campus buses enjoyed the journey as they kept each other entertained. On arrival the team was provided gloves and garbage bags and given instructions about the work. The volunteers took their responsibility very seriously and cleared the area allocated to them. A hot lunch and a dance break were welcomed by all. Mr Sangwan spoke to the students expressing his concerns and encouraged each one to contribute towards better lifestyles





Students collected the plastic garbage during cleaning drive in Potter Hills



Founder of Healing Himalayas Mr. Pradeep Sangwan posing for a photograph





Volunteers loading the collected plastic garbage into the pickup

April 2, 2022

Cleaning Drive

A cleaning drive was organized on April 02, 2022. This cleaning drive was the collaboration between NSS Shoolini, NCC Shoolini and SFY (Shoolinians for you). All three groups went to different directions for the cleaning. NCC Shoolini volunteers went for cleaning towards Dental College crossing nearby bridge of university campus and collected the waste plastic materials on the way. While SFY volunteers went towards Chanakya PG on Sultanpur Kumarhatti Road and collected a lot of plastic on the way. Also, NSS volunteers cleaned the area inside the university campus. All the groups of volunteers collected quintals of plastic which was later handed over to garbage processing unit Salogra, Solan. After the cleaning, refreshments were served for the volunteers.





Volunteers collecting garbage





Waste plastic being collected by volunteers



NCC Group members posing for a photograph





NSS Group members getting their photograph captured



All the volunteers posing for a group photograph before leaving



April 5, 2022

Swachhata Pakhwara Flash Mob at Solan

Shoolini University on the occasion of World Earth Day concluded its Swachhta Pakhwada campaign which started on April 5, 2022. Swachhta Pakhwada was initiated in the university among the different faculty to promote cleanliness and sustainability. Different schools presented various ideas to promote sustainability. The schools conducted cleanliness drive and awareness campaign in and around the campus. Some schools went to nearby villages to teach them. The concept and their ideas were applauded by the local authorities. The event concluded with a flash mob where children dressed up with various animal masks and hearts explained the importance of environment conservation. The students picked various songs related to nature and engaged the public with their dance efforts. Plants were also distributed during the entire event to the local people. The local people and the administration appreciated the effort. Certificates and refreshments were provided to the volunteers for their exemplary effort.





DSW Mrs. Poonam Nanda addressing the public about Swachata Pakhwara initiative at The Mall Solan



Dr. Nitika Thakur sharing about the activities done by University under Swachhata Pakhwara





A photograph of flash mob with volunteers wearing animal mask





A photograph of volunteers



Volunteers posing for a photograph





Mr. Amit Ghotta explaining the importance of Environment conservation through some poems prepared by him



Volunteers posing for a group photograph with DSW Mrs. Poonam Nanda



Tree Plantation by School of Physics and Materials Sciences

The School of Physics and Materials Sciences organized an outdoor activity on April 07, 2022. The scope of this activity revolved with the themes of cleanliness, sustainability, and conservation of mother nature. School of Physics and Materials Sciences successfully completed the outdoor activity during Swachhta Pakhwada, 2022. This program aimed at raising awareness among the common people to conserve nature. The tree plantation drive was a part of the program. The roadside area generally faces most tree cutting during the construction of new roads. They did the plantation drive near Jabli, in the Solan-Chandigarh Highway. Moreover, volunteers talked to the local people who could take care of those small trees. In this way, they ensured that the tree would be grown up and a nice awareness emerged with this kind of interaction with the local people.





Volunteers sharing the plant saplings with local people





Volunteers planting the saplings nearby the National Highway





Tree plantation being done by volunteers





Volunteers of School of Physics and Materials Sciences showing the posters made for the cause





Volunteers participated in the walk on the road to save mother earth





Volunteers collected the waste plastic material alongside the road



Cleaning Drive by School of Biotechnology

"The Pre -Sensitization Drive: Susto-Cleano Cognizance" First Initiative by the School of Biotechnology

School of Biotechnology with nearly 60 students, faculty and staff, coordinated by Dr Nitika Thakur, started a "in- house Cleanliness and Sustainability Walk" in drive with the agenda of cleaning the campus and to make faculty/staff/students aware regarding the daily/easy hacks replacing the chemical/unsustainable options with trendy/cheap/ecofriendly options where we can easily replace our daily habits pertaining to fashion, clothing, kitchen appliances, decorative stuff to an ecofriendly culture. Swacchta Week was initiated by "Swatchta Pakhwara 2022", and to meet sustainable development goals, school of Biotechnology conducted a" presensitization drive: Susto- Cleano Cognizance", which combined the most important factors pertaining to Cleanliness and Sustainability. Under this the followings were done: - (1) A flash mob/drive was organized where participants started in-house cleaning drive in Shoolini University, starting from the Girl's hostel around 12:45 pm to the main gate and conducting a walk-through sustainability. (2) Some simple and easy hacks to Sustainable life were explained by student Agam Roop Kaur by talking about her initiative "The Unicorn Foundation" which is working for sustainability. (3) An easy shift to sustainability was showcased by quoting daily activities and how we can turn to a more sustainable mode. (4) The initiative "Nescafe Vertical Garden concept" was announced for all the Nescafe and library lovers, where the idea of incorporating all the used cups for planting some herbal plants on the barren wall ("Plant a Cup" "Plant a New Life") was introduced.





Students showing the posters made for the event



Students gathered outside Girls Hostel before starting the walk





A group photograph of students and faculty members of School of Bioengineering



Cleanliness drive by M S Swaminathan School of Agriculture

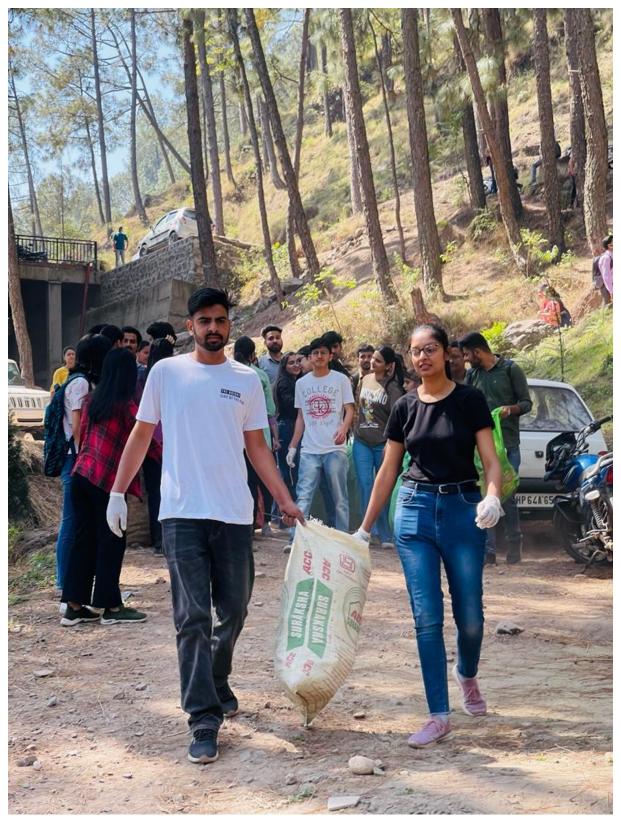
M S Swaminathan School of Agriculture conducted cleanliness drive with active participation of students and faculty coordinators on April 05, 2022, for first week activity of "Swachhta Pakhwara" to achieve the cleanliness and sustainability. During this event, students collected the leaf litters, weeds from the surrounding area of university and concluded at the crop cafeteria. In addition to that, we also collected the non-biodegradable material from the surroundings of crop cafeteria. The material collected at the crop cafeteria is being used for the preparation of compost to achieve the goal of sustainability. The material collected will be used for composting by the Post Graduate students of M S Swaminathan School of Agriculture.





Volunteers collecting the plastic alongside the road





Volunteers carrying the plastic collected by them





Volunteers with collected plastic



Cleaning Drive by School of biological and environmental sciences

School of Biological and Environmental Sciences has successfully conducted the first phase of 'Swachhta Pakhwada 2022' with cleanliness drive in Sultanpur village near Shoolini University. With active participation of more than 35 students along with five faculty members, the cleanliness drive was a grand success. We started our 'Swachhta Abhiyan' by cleaning the surroundings of the local water source so that the water remains uncontaminated and pure. With active support of the local people, next, we cleaned the surrounds of local dispensary, primary school, and post office of Sultanpur. Awareness about the importance of cleanliness and health hygiene were also spread among the local communities and school children. We have also focused on public interaction and surveys. Information was collected regarding the present scenario and problems faced by local communities with respect to cleanliness. We have also interacted with the former Pradhan of this village to seek her views and requirements regarding the cleanliness of the mentioned village. In future, based on these reports of the survey we will plan next such programs to solve some of their issues that will lead to the betterment of the local communities.





Volunteers collecting the waste plastic



Volunteers during garbage collection alongside the road





All the volunteers with collected plastic at Sultanpur village



April 08, 2022

Sensitization Drive by School of Bioengineering and Food Technology

School of Bioengineering and Food Technology conducted cleaning and sensitization drive in slum area of Salogra village, Solan. The team of students and the teachers from School of Bioengineering and Food Technology interacted with children and women of the village and made them aware about the importance of cleanliness, hygiene, and nutrition in human health. The children and women of the village seemed to be very interested about the topics chosen for interaction. They found the interaction very useful. Besides this a cleanliness drive was also conducted in ward No. 2 of Salogra panchayat.





Volunteers interacting about cleanliness with villagers





Volunteers doing cleaning drive in the village



April 08, 2022

Cleaning Drive by School of Pharmaceutical Sciences

On April 08, 2022, as a part of Swachhata Pakhwara, an initiative was taken by School of Pharmaceutical Sciences as a cleanliness drive to emphasize on how we are polluting our environment daily, deteriorating natural beauty. As we believe action speaks louder than words, we organized this cleanliness drive on places like trek route and places near Shoolini University and walked for 2 km with garbage to make people realise that they should not throw waste anywhere like this. The team focused mainly the area surrounding the university i.e., from the bridge to main gate and found that there was more garbage under the bridge and surrounding road n realised people need to be aware of how much cleanliness is important for us, for environment and for everyone's well-being.





Volunteers with bags of waste collected by them





Volunteers with garbage collected by them in bridge area near university campus

April 20, 2022

Environmental Awareness by School of Pharmaceutical Sciences

School of pharmaceutical sciences organised an awareness rally and performed Nukkad Natak on the Mall Road, Solan for spreading awareness regarding how important it is to have a clean environment specially when we are going through a pandemic, importance of maintaining personal hygiene and above all making people realise that we all know what to do how to do, but we don't take necessary actions and blame others. In a while local people started taking interest, stopped, and were carefully listening to the volunteers, this showed that volunteers were successful with their goal. Along with this the activity of recycling the collected waste was also done.





Volunteers started the rally from SILB Institute Solan





Volunteers participating in the rally with handmade posters made by them

April 20, 2022



Cleaning Drive & Poster Making by Faculty of Engineering and Technology

The activity started with an awareness lecture given to the students related to cleanliness at computer centre in E-block. It was an interactive session where the students were asked questions related to cleanliness in and around campus, hostels, public places, water bodies, food wastage, lawns etc. The questions asked in this session were: Why cleanliness is important and how it is linked with safety, how to find out abnormalities, types of waste (biodegradable, non-biodegradable) etc. Students also participated to draw some beautiful charts related to it. Further, the students were divided into three groups for the cleanliness drive. To perform this activity, three areas within university campus were covered for the drive i.e., E-block to Temple area, OAT to Yuvraj stadium and Milkha Singh sports complex to area towards Shoolini Milk plant. Students were energetic and participated full heartedly in this cleanliness drive. Faculty members of Engineering and Technology led this initiative and participated in this wholeheartedly.





A poster made by a student



Students showing posters made by them



All the participants showing the posters made by them before starting the cleaning drive





Volunteers collecting the plastic materials



A group of volunteers with the bags of plastic collected by them





Another group of volunteers with the bags of plastic collected by them



Volunteers loading the bags of collected plastic into the pickup vehicle



April 20, 2022

Reducing Food wastage and sustainability- activity by Faculty of Management Sciences

The Awareness campaign was done for spreading awareness about food wastage and hygiene in girls' hostel. For this the volunteers addressed the students in Girls Hostel and made them aware on how reduce food wastage. Another activity was also done on the model of "best out of waste" under which an attractive dustbin based on garbage truck was made with the separate compartments for wet and dry waste. Volunteers had also collected the Kulhads from Chai shack Cafeteria of Shoolini University and turned them into bird's feeder, in this model there were separate compartment for solid food as well as for liquid also small Kulhads were transformed into flowerpots.





Volunteers addressing the hostel students on food wastage awareness





Volunteers explaining how food wastage can be minimized





Girls Hostel students attending the awareness session

