



GOVT. DEGREE COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, BARAMULLA.

REPORT ON EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

22 April, 2022



CELEBRATED BY

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE, ECO- CLUB COMMITTEE AND NSS UNITS

UNDER THE BANNER

“Gandagi Mukht Jal Yukt Wetlands/ Water Bodies”

BACKGROUND: Earth Day is an annual event, celebrated on 22, April every year to spread awareness about environmental protection and acknowledge the global climate crisis. It was first celebrated in 1970, and is now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network and is being celebrated in more than 193 countries each year. In India, Ministry of Earth Sciences and its Institutes are celebrating Earth Day on 22nd April every year. Earth day inspires people to commit to environmental protection. It encourages them to take action, however small, and be a part of the global movement dedicated to saving the planet we call our home.

PROGRAM DETAIL: Department of Environmental Science, ECO- CLUB Committee and NSS Units of Govt. Degree College for Women, Baramulla under the banner of **“Gandagi Mukht Jal Yukt Wetlands/Water Bodies”** celebrated **EARTH DAY on 22 April, 2022**. During the occasion, NSS student Volunteers along with NSS Program officers and ECO -Task Force Members visited to **Jhelum River Stretch near Gulnar Park, Baramulla**. The stretch is adopted by Govt. Degree College for Women, Baramulla.

At the outset of the event, Dr. Irfana Showki, Head, Department of Environmental Science and Convener, ECO- CLUB Committee addressed the students and emphasized upon the significance of the day and importance of maintaining the eco-friendly environment.



Dr. Irfana Showki guiding NSS Volunteers



NSS Volunteers picking the scattered litter near river bank.



Students collecting the litter in disposal bags



Visible clean and green look after cleaning

She emphasized; Rivers/Wetlands are important part of our ecosystem. But unfortunately, only few are aware of its importance. People, throw trash near rivers and streams, making it look and smell like a dumpsite.

Dumping garbage near river banks can possibly contaminate our drinking water and threaten nature, our lives, and that of our loved ones. Even a piece of litter thrown on the street may contribute to the piling garbage in our rivers and streams.

When the team reached the spot, The area was completely littered with debris, plastic garbage, used household items, stones etc.

Understanding the cause, The NSS volunteers gave overwhelming response and went enthusiastically all around the river bank and picked wrappers, used disposable, plastic and litter lying scattered there. The wastes collected was later properly disposed off in the dustbins. All NSS Program Officers and ECO CLUB Members actively took part in the cleaning activity.

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