

AWARENESS PROGRAMME ON PLASTIC FREE CAMPUS

An awareness programme on plastic free campus was organised on 16-04- 2015 by the department of the Environmental Science. The programme witnessed the effective participation of the teaching/ non- teaching staff and the students.

The purpose of the programme was to

- Highlight the damaging effects of the plastic pollution on our environment.
- What could be possibly done to overcome this menace in the environment?
- And to infuse among the participants the sense of responsibility towards the environment. The programme was inaugurated by (Prof.) (Dr.) Mushtaq Ahmad Lone, Principal GDC Sopore.

Prof. M. Ayub Shah (Assistant Prof.) talked about the damaging effect of plastic waste on riverine ecosystem of Kashmir valley. He touched the aspects like how fish farming is bearing the brunt of plastic pollution and how we are losing our water resources to increasing quantum of this non -biodegradable waste. Dr. Shamim Ahmad (HOD Zoology) laid emphasis on finding an alternative to the plastic like using organic biodegradable organic material. For this science and technology has to play an effective or key role in finding answers to the problem of the plastic which is staring the world at face. Prof. M.Y War talked about the health impacts of plastic pollution that how plastic pollution has led to the possible health effects like carcinoma, endocrine hormone disruption and other health-based issues.

After this student along with teaching and non-teaching staff actively cleaned the campus from plastic waste.

The event was closed by Principal GDC Sopore thoroughly talked about the plastic pollution repercussions being faced by the world today. He deliberated on the use the strategy of reduce, reuse, recycling approach for the effective management of the plastic waste.

The programme was informative and effective for creating awareness about the plastic pollution.



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