



DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY UNIVERSITY OF DELHI SOUTH CAMPUS



“SWACHHTA PAKHWADA - 2018”

September 1st-13th 2018

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“Go Green, Go Clean”

The Department of Biochemistry organized **Swachhta Pakhwada - 2018** with the overall theme of **“Go Green, Go Clean”**. In consultation with the faculty, the Head of the Department had announced in early September that the department will observe Swachhata Pakhwada – 2018 with vigor. In view of this decision, various laboratories, class rooms, departmental office and corridors of the department were regularly cleaned and put in order. In addition, with the help of Prof. Nag saplings were brought to the office and other laboratories to provide both clean environment and greenery.



Announcement was made for various activities to be undertaken by the students along with faculties and office staff like essay writing, poster presentation and PowerPoint presentation etc. The theme for these events was **"My Initiative to Make My Campus Green, Clean and Eco-Friendly"**.

September 8, 2018 was especially marked for this event for a get-together to observe the Swachhta Pakhwada with special emphasis. Students of the department prepared and presented handmade posters on the above theme to raise awareness about cleanliness, greenery and eco-friendliness on the campus. The posters portrayed crucial elements of nature, present day scenario of the resources being used, methods to preserve mother earth, etc.



Similarly, a fine and instructive PowerPoint presentation was presented by the students which highlighted the recent events such as "The great smog of Delhi" and the "Kerala floods", caused due to mishandling and undue usage of the earth's resources and our inability to keep our environment clean. This short presentation also mentioned important ways by which electricity, trees, water and other resources can be efficiently used. A slide was also dedicated to lab etiquettes, proper handling of the glasswares, hazardous materials, etc. This presentation is available on our departmental website at the following link: <<http://biochem.du.ac.in/web/index.php?page=events>>

Both the students and teachers discussed about the importance of cleanliness and ways to improve cleanliness in the department, on the campus and in our respective ambience where we live. The teachers especially emphasized that we must take special care to ensure that our homes, labs, offices, communities, roads and all public places must be kept clean. We all can take small steps at a time like not throwing garbage on road but in appropriate dustbins assigned for the same. No public place on the campus should be littered. Use of plastic should be avoided. Recyclable material should be used and garbage should be disposed in appropriate dustbins. It was pledged that we all will do our best to maintain cleanliness.

Following the presentation, a quiz was also conducted based on the same theme to raise awareness about Swachhata in India and several event associated with it like awards for cleanest city, municipality etc. The quiz and presentation raised awareness about various facts related to the conservation of the greenery and curbing pollution. Overall the students enthusiastically participated in the event and it turned out to be informative and motivating.

The students presented bamboo saplings to teachers for use in their offices and laboratories. Our efforts to keep our campus and society clean and green will live on.

