

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

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AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

2019-2020

Students and staff in charge of Microbiology department went to UBA visit on 28.09.2019 to Periyanayakapuram village of Korampallam Panchayat. Students and the people of the village went for procession raising awareness slogans. They also were carrying placards depicting words of awareness on water conservation and saying no plastic. Students gave programme to void plastic. songs, skid related to hazards of plastic was performed by students.



UBA programme was organised to create awareness about the plastics. The students of II B.Sc Chemist, staff members Dr.T.Linda Fernando, Dr.G.Amala Jothi Grace gathered in Antonyarpuram. A rally was organised with help of father Albin Antony. The people of Antonyarpuram including children participated enthusiastically along with our students. Videos about the ill effects of plastics were screened to them. Free cloth bags sponsored by Velavan Hypermarket were distributed to them. A speech on Plastic Ban was delivered by Dr.G.Amala Jothi Grace. Students collected plastic materials thrown on street. The meeting came to an end with an awareness song.



An awareness programme was conducted on plastic free village on 28-09-2019. The programme was blessed by the gracious presence of the village secretary and NGO coordinator Ms. Rajathi and the chief guest Dr.A.M. Sonal (Assistant Professor of Tamil, St Mary's College, Thoothukudi). The programme began with prayer song followed by welcome address. The Maravanmadam village people attended the programme. The gathering was addressed by the chief guest Dr. A.M. Sonalon the ill the effects of plastics and the need for the hour to protect our environment. The chief guest also spoke about the measures taken by the ancestors to preserve the ecosystem, the eco-friendly lifestyle they followed and provided ideas and strategies for the conservation of the environment. The II UG students of psychology department had depicted the harmful effect of plastics through their skit and one of the II UG student gave a talk on the importance of conservation of the environment.



On 3rd October the 2nd year students of Commerce (Regular &SSC) and Mathematics (SSC), paid their second UBA visit to Pazhayakayal. The guest of honour was the District collector Mr.Sandeep Nandoori who presided over the meeting. St. Mary's College (Autonomous), Thoothukudi inaugurated Unnat Bharat Abhiyan on the theme "Jal Shakthi Gram &Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign" on 3rd October at 11 a.m. in St. Antony's High School, Palayakayal. Mrs. Amora, Assistant Professor of Commerce welcomed the gathering and Dr. S. Kulandai Therese, UBA Coordinator, St.Mary's College (Autonomous) addressed the gathering about the schemes of UBA. Fr. Sahayaraj Rayan, Parish Priest of Palayakayal, addressed the students and public about rain water harvesting and plastic awareness and Mr. Sandeep Nanduri I.A.S, District Collector, Thoothukudi, inaugurated the following schemes - Rain Water Harvesting, Spoken English Training Programme, Roof Gardening and Plastic Awareness Programme. He distributed the Eco-friendly cloth bags to the village people. He also initiated roof gardening by sowing seeds. Mr.V.Selvakumar Ex. Councillor addressed the public problems and the general public gave petitions to the collector. Mr.Grirdharan demonstrated the process of rain water harvesting to the school students and to the public. Dr.M.Paripooranaselvi, Assistant Professor of Zoology proposed the vote of thanks and the function came to an end with a national anthem.



