

NATURE CLUB REPORT

2018-2019

- 1) All together 97 students registered as Nature Club members.
- 2) Nature Club in collaboration with FERC (Foundation for Environment Research and Conservation) organised a talk on the topic “ Conversation for Change”.



Shri. Parag Rangnekar Addressing the gathering



Students, teachers and community members seen taking the oath on say no to use of plastic straw and single use plastic

- 3) 14 Nature Club students made posters on the theme “ say no to use of straws”.
- 4) Our students participated in the “No Straw” Sticker design competition organized by FERC. Sticker done by Mr. Nikhil Khajnekar and Mr. Tukaram Shetye of BCOM semester V, Ms. Bharavi Kharangate of BCOM semester III and Ms. Sunanda Biradar of BCOM semester I were adjudged as best stickers.
- The best stickers after little bit modification were distributed among students to stick at hotels, restaurants and shops.



Sticker designed by Mr. Nikhil Khajnekar and Mr. Tukaram Shetye



Sticker designed by Ms. Bharavi Kharangate



Sticker designed Ms. Sunanda Biradar

5) 12 nature club students participated in the “ The Straw Sucks Selfie” campaign. Wherein they pasted the stickers promoting no use of straws at various hotels, restaurants and shops which are located around MES College neighbourhood.



Ms. Megha Gawas in selfie with sticker after persuading the owner of

Dhanlaxmi Hotel

6) Nature Club in collaboration with NSS unit of MES College undertook “ Beat Plastic Pollution” rally on 25/09/2018 in the neighbourhood of MES College. 117 students participated in the rally. The students also used various educative placards during the process of the rally further supported with appropriate slogans. 66 placards were made

as a part of this rally.



Students in rally on “ Beat Plastic Pollution”

7) Nature Club in collaboration with NSS unit of MES College undertook “ Beat Plastic Pollution” awareness drive on 25/09/2018 in the neighbourhood of MES College. Nature Club members as well as NSS volunteers participated in the awareness drive. The students in groups visited stores, hotels, kiosks and also fruit and vegetable sellers. They sensitised the owners and employees of these establishments on the ill effects of using plastic and suggested them various ways to avoid use of plastic items. Most of the owners of these establishments happily cooperated with the students, minutely listened to them and also gave their feedback.



Students sensitising fruit seller on ill effects of plastic



Students sensitising employee of hotel



Student sensitising bakery owner

8) Our students Mr. Aravind Sharma of BA semester V and Mr. Ravi Krishna of BCOM Semester I represented college in quiz competition on Wild life organised by Dy. Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Eco-tourism (North) Division on 05/10/2018 at Goa Science Centre, Miramar, Panaji-Goa.

9) Nature Club in collaboration with **Foundation for Environment Research and Conservation (FERC)** started a unique initiative called “**Kasturi**”. It is series of talks on the issues “**concerning you and me**” which will be conducted on the first Wednesday of every month. The series in started in memory of late Dr. Kasturi Desai who herself was an environmentalist and researcher. The talks are open to public.

i)The first series of Kasturi talk was organized on 05/09/2018. The Guest Speaker for the talk was Dr. Narayan Desai and Chief Guest was Shri. Umaji Chowgule. Dr. Narayan Desai spoke on the topic “**Our People Our World –The role of youth in the society.**”



Dr. Narayan Desai addressing the gathering



Shri. Umaji Chowgule addressing the gathering

- ii) Second series of Kasturi talk was organised on 03/10/2018. The Guest Speaker was Ms. Puja Mitra (Founder Terra Conscious). She spoke on the topic **Enabling Collaborative Action For Responsible Travel In Goa.**



Ms. Puja Mitra addressing the gathering

iii) Third series of Kasturi was an interview .It was held on 01/11/2018. The topic of the interview was “ **Working Towards a Zero Waste Goa**”. The interviewee was Shri. Sanjit Rodrigues (Managing Director –Goa Waste Management Corporation)



Shri. Sanjit Rodrigues being interviewed by Shri. Parag Rangnekar

iv) Fourth series of Kasturi talk was organised on 05/12/2018. The topic of the talk was **“Sustainable Architecture In Six (Not So Easy) Steps”**. The Guest Speaker for the talk was Shri. Arch. Rajiv D’Silva (Director Studio 15,73) and Special Invitee was Shri. Raj Bhandare.



Arch. Rajiv D’Silva addressing the gathering



Shri. Raj Bhandare addressing the gathering

v) Fifth series of Kasturi talk was held on 04/01/2019. The topic of the talk was **Exploring Wild India: Journey of the Butterfly Man**. The Guest Speaker was Shri. Isaac Kehimkar (Director, India nature watch foundation).



Shri. Issac Kehimkar addressing the gathering

vi) As part of sixth series of Kasturi a documentary on the agrarian crisis, climate change and farmer suicides was screened on 13/02/2019. The name of the documentary was 1000 feet under .



Students viewing documentary

vii) 7th Series of Kasturi talk was held on 06/03/2019 . The topic of the talk was Our Civic and Consumer Rights – Do we really care? The guest speaker for the talk was Shri. Roland Martins , Coordinator , GOACAN .



Shri. Roland Martins addressing the gathering

viii) 8th Series of Kasturi talk was held on 03/04/2019 . The topic of the talk was “Is dog a great Company or a Threat?” The guest speaker for the talk was Dr. Murugan Appupillai , Director , Mission Rabies.



Dr. Murugan Appupillai, Addressing the gathering

10) MES College has collaborated with Goa Waste Management Corporation for Dry waste Management which is getting generated on campus.

Ms. Shruti B. Nayak

Chairperson

Nature Club

Dr. R. B. Patil

Principal