



St. MARTIN'S ENGINEERING COLLEGE
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Standard Operating Procedure for ECO CLUB

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About:-

- Eco-clubs play an important role in creating environmental awareness amongst the future generation.
- It is a platform where we get knowledge about the environment. It also enables the students to be sensitive towards environmental concern to tackle environmental problems.

Objectives of Eco Club:-

- To educate the students about their environment.
- To create a clean and green consciousness among students through various innovative methods.
- To mobilize students towards a scientific inquiry into the environmental problem.
- To involve them in efforts to preserve the environment.
- To motivate students how to imbibe habits and lifestyle for a minimum waste generation.

Activities of Eco Club (Tentative):-

- Beautifying selected roadside area with plants and flowers and put campaign boards to generate awareness.
- Action based activities like tree plantation (herbal garden), cleanliness drives both within and outside the school campus.

- Organize rallies, marches, human chains, and street theatre at public places with a view to spreading environmental awareness {If possible on EARTH DAY (April 22), WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY or ECO DAY (June 5)}.
- Organize seminars, debates, lectures and popular talks on environmental issues in the school.
- Sensitize the students to minimize the use of plastic bags, not to throw them in public places as they choke drains and sewers, cause water logging and provide a breeding ground for mosquitoes.
- Promote an ethos of conservation of water by minimizing the use of water.
- Installation of a rain harvesting plant: With the installation of the plant rainwater can be collected and purified and used for various purposes in the College.
- Putting Display Boards in classrooms regarding environment protection.

Methodology:

a) Formation of an ECO-CLUB

- The scheme will be operated through setting up or strengthening of an ECO-CLUB in a college.
- Each Eco-club shall consist of *30-60 members*. These members are selected *among the students of the concerned college* who show interest in environment-related issues jointly by the Green Faculty and the Head of the College.
- One of the Eco-Club members (Student) may be designated as *Eco-Club Captain* and he/she will act according to the directions of the Green Teacher and coordinate the activities with the members.

b) Appointment of Faculty In-Charge

One faculty in the college has to be identified as faculty-in-charge for the National Green Corps Programme and He/ she may be designated as a *Green Teacher*. The Head of the college may appoint him/ her as a Green Teacher through an office order. The Green Teacher shall be responsible for the execution of this programme in the college, maintain accounts and submit utilization reports; activity reports supported with photographs/ newspaper clips etc. to the State Forest Department.

List of Suggested Activities for Eco Club:

The list is only suggestive; Each Eco-Club may undertake any *activity related to the improvement of the environment*. The college Eco-club may take up any activity of their choice depending on their local conditions and course of action.

- Organize eco-competitions on seminars, debates, painting, essay, slogan writing etc.
- Organize popular talks, morning assembly speech on environmental issues in the college.
- Field visits to environmentally important sites including polluted and degraded sites, wildlife parks etc.
- Organize rallies, marches, human chains, and street theater at public places with a view to spreading environmental awareness.
- Action based activities like tree plantation, cleanliness drives both within and outside the college campus.
- Grow kitchen gardens; maintain vermicomposting pits, construct water-harvesting structures in college, practice paper re-cycling etc.
- Prepare inventories of polluting sources and forward it to enforcement agencies.
- Organize awareness programmes against defecation in public places pasting posters in public places and to propagate personal hygiene habits like washing hands before meals etc.
- Mobilize action against environmentally unsound practices like garbage disposal in Unauthorized places, unsafe disposal of hospital waste etc.
- Creation and maintaining of Biodiversity Registers.