

1. PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION ORGANISED BY NATURE CLUB

A dedicated group of students of PCACS collectively came together and formed a group to save our Mother Nature and her creation, not in a major scale but at a minor scale. Just as we say 'Boondh Boondh se Banta hai Sagar'. Our one step towards this will not only change the mindset of the people but also will improve our environment and surroundings. To take that one step, students of Pillai College are working very hard to make the project 'NATURE' a success.

This academic year, the students of the Nature Club started with a photography competition among the students in the campus. The competition was held on 10th July, 2015. The students were told to click pictures of the nature around the college premises. Attractive prizes and certificate were arranged for the winners of the competition.

Students were informed to submit two soft copies of the photographs clicked by them. The photos had to be clicked either by mobile phones or camera. There were 72 students who took part in the competition. They were judged and the winners were declared. Winners for the said events were

Camera photography- Ms Aishwarya Sridhar

Mobile photography - Ms. Amruta Sathe

This competition was the first event of this academic year. And it was a hit. Students are looking forward for more similar events.





2. PANVEL RAILWAY STATION ADOPTED BY NATURE CLUB FOR SPREADING ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

Everyone has heard the slogan, 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness'. Every day there is some one or the other in different parts of the world who preach about keeping the society clean. We wonder how many people do practice that in their day to day life. People now are so busy that they don't even care about the things happening around them. Being a citizen of this country each and every one is responsible for the things happening. People should take the initiative of keeping their surroundings clean.

Nature club of Pillai College of Arts, Commerce and Science adopted Panvel Railway Station as a social responsibility for the period of one year from 19th July 2015 up to 30th April 2016.

Various activities were conducted under this project

A. Cleanliness drive at Panvel station

The members of Nature Club of Pillai College took the initiative of a one day cleanliness drive at Panvel railway station on 14th July, 2015. The drive started by 9 am in the morning. Students marched till the station calling out slogans. Once we reached there, we started the programme. Students had prepared a skit showcasing all the instances we come across on the aspect of cleanliness in our day to day life. There were placards showing different slogans. They enacted the skit for a number of times. There was a huge crowd to watch the activity. There were reporters from different news channels, who clicked many pictures and also interviewed the Nature Club's Head Mrs. Kiran Deshmukh. Overall a good response was received from the crowd. It was a huge success. This was the first activity following adoption of Panvel railway station spreading message of maintaining cleanliness for a clean nature.



B. Poster exhibition on cleanliness

On 26th September 2015, the members of Nature Club took Initiative to spread awareness among the people aware to maintain the environment clean. Different posters were prepared by the members on clean and healthy environment.



C. Donation of dustbins and show plants -29th January 2016

Nature club had donated 6 dustbins and 10 show plants to Panvel railway station authorities on 29th January, 2016 to keep the premises clean by the commuters



D. Skit performance on drugs awareness

On 17th February, 2016 a skit was performed by the members on drug addiction. Youth is mostly addicted by drugs. So through the skit drug awareness was spread among the public. The skit was organized at Panvel, Khandeshwar, Kharghar Railway station. Around 48 members participated in it.



E. Beautification of Panvel railway station

On 24th & 25th February, 2016 members of nature club took initiative for beautification of Panvel Railway station. Under this initiative they painted the stairs of Platform no. 6 & 7 towards Konkan Rail & Local stairs connecting Panvel to New Panvel. Total 15 members took part under guidance of Prof. Kiran Deshmukh. Slogans were also written on station

flyover regarding cleanliness.

This news was covered by the leading newspaper, The Times of India as well as the Maharashtra times. Railway authorities also appreciated the work done by members of nature club.



3. TREKKING TO KONDANA CAVES-RAJMACHI

Trekking to kondana caves – Rajmachi, Lonawala was organized on 10th February, 2016. Lectures were arranged on snakes by wild life research rescue conservation club member, Mr. Saurabh Rane & on History of kondala caves by Mr. Prathemesh Giakwad.

