

Annual Report- Green Beans Society, January to December 2020.

In the beginning of the new year 2020, the Society members took pledge to educate and inform fellow students and people about water conservation. Based on the water footprint analysis of the students conducted in the months of September to December, 2019, they were informed about the ways and points where the water can be conserved.

In February, a Speech Competition was organised by the Society on the topic of "Burning of waste and how to tackle it" on 27th February, 2020. The speech competition was marked by the strong arguments from students about the impacts it would have on environment. The weekly group discussion series on burning environmental issues like the great Pacific garbage patch, the unconventional water treatment methods, waste as a resource and reuse of plastic wastes etc. were regularly conducted and kept the students intrigued.

The spirits of the students working passionately for environment could not be dampened even during the lockdown period starting from 15th of March'20. They took onto social media for the spread of knowledge. They observed the Earth Hour on 28th March, 2020 and encouraged others to be a part of it.

On Earth Day, 22nd April, a series of online competitions like, comic strip making, poetry and short story writing were organised. An online campaign of hash tags on contemporary environmental issues were organised on the World Biodiversity Day on 22nd May, 2020. On World Environment Day, June 5, 2020, we celebrated one Earth and kept no boundaries and made our social media platform open for all creativity through poems, short stories, slogans, posters etc.

The Society observed the World Ozone Day, 16th September, 2020, by having a virtual panel discussion on Google Meet platform. The student and teacher members of the society participated in it. The World Ozone Day this year was special as it marked the completion of 35 years of Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer wherein there was global initiative for the reduction of emission of ozone depleting substances. Dr. Pratibha Bhalla, teacher convener of the society presided over the panel discussion, which aimed at promoting awareness among the students about the importance of the ozone layer in the stratosphere and the need for its protection by reducing the emission of ozone depleting substances. The student representatives of the society discussed various aspects of Ozone Protection. The information and pictures of the event were posted on Facebook and Instagram page of the society.

On 11th November, 2020, an intra society online quiz was organised. The theme of the quiz was contemporary environmental issues. The timing of the quiz was very apt as the festival of Diwali was approaching and air pollution situation in the National Capital of Delhi worsens with changing weather conditions. The Society plans to have many more of such outreach events in the coming year targeting the specific issues.