



# ATMA RAM SANATAN DHARMA COLLEGE (UNIVERSITY OF DELHI)

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## Eco-Club

The Eco Club of ARSD College was established in the year 2013. It is sponsored by the Department of Environment, Government of NCT of Delhi. The aim of the society is to spread awareness and educate students regarding the environment. The Eco Club frequently organizes training programmes, plantation drives, outreach activities, seminars, nature trails, etc.

On the occasion of **World Environment Day**, members of the Eco Club of ARSD College attended the “**Paryavaran Sammelan 2023**”, an environmental summit held at **Thyagaraj Sports Complex, New Delhi**, on **5 June 2023**. The event was a joint initiative of the Government of NCT of Delhi, the **LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) campaign**, and the Department of Environment.

The Eco Club of the college also participated in the **Eco-SDG Championship 2023** programme for the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the college. Small acts towards achieving SDG goals go a long way in meeting present needs as well as those of future generations. Under this initiative, a **plantation drive of fruit-bearing plants** was organized on **18 August 2023**.

On **21 September 2023**, Eco Club members visited the **Municipal Primary School, E-Block, Naraina Vihar**, along with the NSS team of the college. The main objective of the visit was to create awareness among students about the importance of prevention, detection, and management of food-borne diseases, along with the importance of drinking milk, highlighted through a brief interaction.

For nature awareness, a visit to the **National Zoological Park** was organized on **5 October 2023** on the occasion of **Wildlife Week**.

**Paritantrika Eco-Club** organized a **Poster Making Competition** in the college campus during **Vigilance Awareness Week**, in which students from different colleges participated actively. The objective of the programme was to spread awareness about a corruption-free India on **31 October 2023**.

On **19 February 2024**, a talk in association with the **World Wildlife Fund (WWF) India** was organized under the annual fest of the society titled “**Prakriti Parv**”, on the theme “**Know Your Plastic**”, an initiative under the **Tide Turners Plastic Challenge**. The speaker for the session was **Mr. Ashley Wilkinson**.

On **20 February 2024**, the Eco Club organized a **Best out of Waste and Poster Making Competition**, aimed at promoting environmental awareness through artistic expression on the theme “**Beat the Plastic Pollution.**” On the same day, a seminar on **E-waste Management** was held at the college as a significant initiative addressing the growing concerns of electronic waste. The speaker for the session was **Ms. Sreepriya Sridharan** from the NGO **Karo Sambhav**, which helped students

understand the harmful effects of electronic waste on the environment. Following the session, an **e-waste collection drive** was also conducted in the college.

The Eco Club further organized cleanliness and plantation drives from time to time. Members of the Eco Club, keeping environmental safety and responsibility in mind, also utilized waste paper and cardboard items by converting them into reusable sheets with the help of a pre-installed paper recycling machine on the college premises.

The club continues to work in collaboration with other societies of the college to contribute towards environmental conservation.