

Swachhata Pakhwada Best out of Waste Competition

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In celebration of Swachhata Pakhwada 2021, AIKYAM, the North East Society of Ram Lal Anand College, organized a Best out of Waste Competition on 4th September, 2021. Participants from different departments of the college and also from other colleges of the University of Delhi took part in it. Eleven students participated in the competition.

A specified date and time was mentioned for the competition and the participants were told to take geo-tagged photos at different times of preparing the items including raw material used and finished item.

They used different types of waste material like used plastic bottles, plastic wrappers of food items, old newspaper, ice-cream sticks, old CD, old jeans, leftover chapatis to make items like self watering pot, ecobrick, photo frame, flower vase, bird feeder, hand bag, gulab jamun etc. and gave description and justification of using such waste material to make items that can actually be used and will prevent wastage and environment degradation.

This shows that the young generation is very much aware about the harmful effects of creating waste and throwing them away without any further use. So they are taking steps to preserve the planet, out home.

The competition was judged by Dr. Deepti Bhardwaj, Dr. Swagata Karmakar and Dr. Pallavi Dutta. Ankit Tanwar (Geology Hons, RLA College) stood first who prepared self watering pot out of used plastic bottles; Kashish Hans stood second who prepared bird feeder out of used plastic bottles and Utkarsh Amrit(Pol Sc Hons, RLA College) stood third who prepared gulab jamuns out of leftover chapatis.

We hope that the competition has helped in broadening awareness about reuse of items which ordinarily are thought to be as waste material. With a little ingenuity and effort, these can be converted into items of utility and arrest deterioration of the environment. In the process items can be made which are useful in different ways.

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Photos of some of the items prepared by the students along-with raw waste material used are being attached herewith.



Self Watering Pot by Ankit Tanwar Geology (Hons), RLA College



Bird Water Feeder by Kashish Hans History (Hons) RLA ollege



Gulab Jamun out of Leftover Chapatis by Utkarsh Amrit Pol Science (Hons) RLA College



Ecobrick using Plastic Wrappers and Used Plastic bottle to make basic unit for making Furniture, Garden Wall and other items; by Anushka Yadav from Shaheed Rajguru College of Applied Sciences for Women, Delhi University



Denim Bag using old jeans by Himanshi (Microbiology (Hons) RLA College