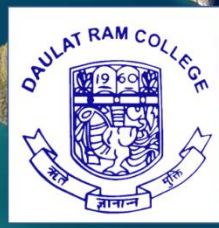


# WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

2021

5<sup>th</sup> June



**YOUTH PANEL DISCUSSION**  
TO BECOME PART OF THE SOLUTION

**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

**Ecosystem Restoration Month 5<sup>th</sup> June to 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021**

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## AT A GLANCE

Year	1937	1954	1960	1978	1997	2020
World Population	2.3 billion	2.7 billion	3 billion	4.3 billion	5.9 billion	7.8 billion
Carbon in Atmosphere	280 ppm	310	315	335	360 ppm	415 ppm
Remaining Wilderness	66%	64%	62%	55%	46%	35%

\*Compiled by Dr Seema Sharma from various sources

The data clearly indicates HOW FAR WE HAVE DESTROYED OUR OWN ECOSYSTEM (PLANET EARTH) and it's time for ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION...

**We have come this far because we are the smartest creatures that have ever lived but to continue, we require more than intelligence, we require “WISDOM”**

## INTRODUCTION

For the past few decades, the threat that humans pose to the earth in the form of pollution, global warming, deforestation, and looting natural resources has been evident. There have been thousands of studies that have proven that humans have caused irreversible damage to the planet due to their greed for materialism. While

many corporate houses have started becoming environmentally friendly, the majority of industries and factories are still a major cause of increasing levels of pollution and global warming across the earth. In times like these, the World Environment Day is an important reminder that the earth is our only home; our only resource. If we deplete the resources of our planet for greed and fail to make the earth a safe place for the coming generations, the very future of humanity stands endangered. This World Environment Day, you can do your part by spreading awareness about the importance of conserving nature among your family and friends.

## **OBJECTIVE**

The objective of this programme is to allow young mind to rethink, reimagine, and ideate upon creative solutions to make this planet a better place to live. To suggest ways to utilize the natural resources sustainably and with better governance policies. Instead of talking about inefficiencies in the system, to become a part of the solution with better management approaches and understanding.

## **DISCUSSION FORMAT**

The overall format for the discussion will be – what the problem is, why the problem has arisen, the gaps with respect to schemes/ policies/ initiatives taken to solve the problem at the institutional and the individual levels, and what needs to be done – in other words, possibilities and solutions for sustainability.

This is an initiative of the Department of Environment, Vivekananda College **under the student development programme**. The programme is planned in collaboration with the Eco Club of Daulat Ram College and Acharya Narendra Dev College. Youth Discussion on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2021 is the first in its series. Every week from 5<sup>th</sup> June to 3<sup>rd</sup> July a discussion will take place on various issues of ecosystem restoration and sustainable development goals (SDGs).

## **PATRONS**

Dr. Hina Nandrajog, Officiating Principal, Vivekananda College (VNC), University of Delhi

Prof. Savita Roy, Principal, Daulat Ram College (DRC), University of Delhi

Prof. Ravi Toteja, Officiating Principal, Acharya Narendra Dev College (ANDC), University of Delhi

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Dr. Gagan Dhawan, Associate Professor and Eco Club Coordinator – Acharya Narendra Dev College (ANDC), University of Delhi

Dr. Sarita Nanda, Associate Professor and Eco Club Coordinator – Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi

Ms. Raman Arora, Assistant Professor and Eco Club coordinator – Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi

Ms Shikha Garg, Assistant Professor and Eco Club member –Vivekananda College, University of Delhi

### Student Coordinators

Mitushi Sharma – Student Coordinator, Eco Club, Vivekananda College

Ishi Girdhar – Student Coordinator, Eco Club, Vivekananda College

Ankita – Student Coordinator, Eco Club, Acharya Narendra Dev College

Deeparati Datta – Student Coordinator, Eco Club, Acharya Narendra Dev College

Tanisha Gulati– Student Coordinator, Eco Club, Daulat Ram College

Srishti Garg – Student Coordinator, Eco Club, Daulat Ram College

### Programme Schedule

Time	Activities	Resource Persons
10-10.10 am	1. Welcome Address	<b>Dr. Hina Nandrajog,</b> Officiating Principal, Vivekananda College, University of Delhi  <b>Prof. Savita Roy,</b>

		Principal, Daulat Ram College (DRC), University of Delhi  <b>Prof. Ravi Toteja,</b> Officiating Principal, Acharya Narendra Dev College (ANDC), University of Delhi
10.10-10.20 am	2. Session and Theme Introduction and about the initiative	Dr. Seema Sharma
10.20-11.20 am	Youth Discussion – I  Topic – “Water as a natural resource and water crisis”  Facilitator: Dr Seema Sharma  Discussion format – what the problem is, why the problem has arisen, the gaps with respect to schemes/ policies/ initiatives taken to solve the problem at the institutional and the individual levels, and what needs to be done – in other words, possibilities and solutions for sustainability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four Student Discussants</li> </ul> Session Chair: Dr. Gagan Dhawan
11.20-12.15 pm	Movie Screening  “THE LOST WORLD OF MAYA”	Coordinators: Mitushi Sharma and Ishi Girdhar
12.15-1.15 pm	Youth Discussion – II  Topic – “Green infrastructure/ Green buildings”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four Student Discussants</li> </ul>

	<p>Facilitator: Dr Seema Sharma</p> <p>Discussion format – what the problem is, why the problem has arisen, the gaps with respect to schemes/ policies/ initiatives taken to solve the problem at the institutional and the individual levels, and what needs to be done – in other words, possibilities and solutions for sustainability</p>	<p>Session Chair: Dr. Sarita Nanda</p>
1.15-1.30 pm	<p>Break Time</p>	
1.30 pm-2.30 pm	<p>Youth Discussion – III</p> <p>Topic – “Air quality/ Air pollution”</p> <p>Facilitator: Dr Seema Sharma</p> <p>Discussion format – what the problem is, why the problem has arisen, the gaps with respect to schemes/ policies/ initiatives taken to solve the problem at the institutional and the individual levels, and what needs to be done – in other words, possibilities and solutions for sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four Student Discussants</li> </ul> <p>Session chair: Ms Raman Arora</p>
2.30-2.40 pm	<p>Vote of Thanks</p>	