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St. Mary's School, Deori

The JPIC club of St.Mary's Convent School ,Deori focuses on promoting awareness and action around

social justice, environmental issues, and peace building initiatives. Here are some common activities that a JPIC club conducted Under the Leadership of Miss. Sonu Chauhan, the teacher Representative of JPIC from July 2024 to December 2024

<u>The paper bag making and distribution</u> initiative was undertaken to promote the reduction of plastic usage in our community. This project aimed to encourage sustainable practices among residents and support

local businesses by providing eco-friendly

alternatives to plastic bags. Distributing paper bags in shops as a way to encourage saying no to plastic is a fantastic initiative that aligns with the principles of the JPIC (Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation) club.

<u>The cleanliness drive</u> was launched as part of our ongoing commitment to promote a cleaner and healthier environment in Rajoula Village. This initiative aligns with our values of Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation (JPIC), focusing on creating sustainable communities and fostering

environmental stewardship.



"Each One Teach One" handwriting improvement drive was initiated to enhance handwriting skills among students and community members. This drive aligns with our goals of promoting education, literacy, and peer-to-peer learning within our community.

The plantation drive was conducted by teachers at St. Mary's Convent School Deori on Gandhi Jayanti as part of our commitment to environmental sustainability and education. This initiative aimed to enhance green



cover in our community and instill a sense of responsibility towards nature among students.

The street play on cyber security was organized by the students of JPIC Club to raise awareness about the importance of online safety and responsible digital behavior. The initiative aimed to educate the



community about potential cyber security threats and empower individuals with knowledge and skills to protect themselves

online.

The meal distribution initiative was organized by the students of Class 12 to provide nutritious meals to poor patients at Deori Government Hospital. The project aimed to alleviate the burden of hospital expenses for low-income





families and ensure that patients received the nourishment needed for their recovery.

The blanket distribution drive was organized by St. Mary's Convent School to support vulnerable communities during the cold weather. The initiative aimed to provide warmth and comfort to those in need, particularly the homeless and lowincome families facing harsh winter conditions.

St. Mary's Convent Inter College, Prayagraj.

Welcoming of the New JPIC Members

Pope Francis reminds us and calls us to be "The guardians of Creation"

On 17th May, 2024, the inaugural session of the 2024-25 JPIC academic year convened, commencing with a poignant prayer led by Shambhavee Rituraj. Members were briefed on JPIC's mission: "To Integrate, To Inform & To Inspire". Student representatives, under the guidance of their President,





delivered a purposeful address on "JPIC & its 7 "Laudato Goals" and Si." Sr. Surabhi enlightened the students and urge d them to actively engage with the community. An interactive session was conducted on the theme, "RE SPONSE TO THE CRY OF THE EARTH," where students shared their proposed activities for the upcoming year. Teacher Representative Ms. S. Deb underscored

importance of internal transformation for meaningful change. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by JPIC President Ashwika Sanjay Ratnani.

Celebrating world environment day together for a greener future - On this World Environment Day, let's come together to celebrate our planet and commit to protecting it for future generations. Every small action counts — whether it's reducing waste, conserving water or planting a tree. Let's be the change we wish to see and work towards a sustainable future. Together, we can make a world of difference.



Responsible for the cry of the earth -Alarming crisis of garbage dumping in Pravagraj: On 4t h October, 2024 the JPIC members gathered together to reflect

on the initiatives taken up by class 9 as a response to 'The Cry Of the Earth.' The meeting commenced

by invoking God's blessings. Students of class 9 addressed the critical issue - The Alarming Crisis of



Garbage Dumping in Prayagraj and reflected on the various initiatives they took as a response to this issue. The President then introduced the agenda for the month of October: 'Green Diwali' with the tagline 'Light Up Lives, Not the Sky' she encouraged the members to ignite a commitment this Diwali to protect the environment. The student representatives of class 10 - Ekanshi Agarwal in her speech mentioned that Green Diwali is not a choice but a responsibility we owe to ourselves. The students were motivated by the Principal of the school as well as the JPIC animator to be the warriors for the protection of our planet.

<u>Light Up Lives, No the Sky</u>: This Diwali, a group of our student representatives embraced the spirit of giving by celebrating a meaningful and eco - friendly festival at Swaraj Bhavan. The event was a heartwarming blend of joy, interaction, and sustainability, reflecting our commitment to making a difference in the lives of others. Our students danced and interacted with the residents, spreading cheer and fostering a sense of





togetherness. In the spirit of giving, they donated fans to improve their comfort and distributed thoughtful gifts as tokens of love and care. By choosing to celebrate a green Diwali, our representatives not only minimized Environmental impact but also illuminated lives with the true essence of the festival — spreading happiness, kind ness, and hope. This memorable celebration was a beautiful reminder of how small efforts can create lasting celebration was a beautiful reminder of how small efforts can create lasting bonds and make a meaningful

difference.

St. Mary's Convent Inter College, Lucknow

JPIC Assembly: A call for action



Our recent JPIC assembly was a powerful reminder of the interconnectedness of justice, peace, and the integrity of creation (SDG 17: Peace, Justice and Strong institutions). Through thought-provoking speeches, inspiring videos, and heartfelt songs, we were challenged to reflect on our role in making a difference in the world. (SDG 13: Climate Action) The assembly began with a powerful presentation on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), highlighting all the SDG goals, the urgent global challenges we face and the potential for positive change. Students were inspired by stories of individuals

and organizations working to address issues like poverty, inequality, and climate change. A highlight of the assembly was a thought-provoking discussion on the importance of environmental

stewardship by the means of a skit.

Nukkad Natak

A Nukkad Natak urging students in their daily lives to take steps towards justice, peace and environmental stability was conducted by the JPIC members. We learned about the devastating impact of human activities on our planet and the urgent need to adopt sustainable practices. (SDG-17: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions)



A Greener Diwali

The SMCIC family took a significant step towards a sustainable future by promoting a cracker-free and eco-



friendly Diwali celebration this year. Recognizing the detrimental impact of firecrackers on air quality, public health, and the environment, the group encouraged the students to embrace a quieter, cleaner, and more meaningful Diwali. By prioritizing safety, health, and environmental consciousness, the JPIC Group's initiative resonated with many. (SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities) This initiative not only contributed to a healthier environment but also fostered a sense of community and well-being.

Awareness Regarding SDGs for Mary Ward Students

In a Mary Ward School's meet, a group of teachers hosted an engaging session for younger students of Mary Ward schools, focusing on the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The aim was to introduce these critical global objectives in a way that was both fun and educational. The event included interactive activities, such as storytelling sessions on environmental care and group discussions about topics like clean water, quality education, and good health. Through colourful presentations and creative videos, the children gained a better understanding of how they can contribute to building a



sustainable future. This initiative not only fostered awareness but also inspired young minds to take small steps toward positive change following the SDG 4: Quality Education.

St. Mary's Convent High School, Kanpur

JPIC at SMC Kanpur actively engages the students and the teachers of our school in the activities that help in bringing out a positive change in our surroundings and our mother nature. **SDG Goal 2: Zero hunger** We at SMC Kanpur inculcate in the students to transform human beings to being human. No soul should sleep hungry. Keeping this in mind we distribute ration at frequent intervals to the needy.

<u>SDG Goal 3: Good health and well being.</u>Keeping this in mind we teach our children about proper sanitation and specially during the menstrual time. We educate them so that they educate girls around them about the same. We have distributed sanitary pads to the students of the Mary Ward school and conducted a session about proper hygiene which is most important for good health.

SDG Goal 4: Quality education

Ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education and promoting lifelong learning opportunities we teach the children to help the less fortunate to attain education. Our students have reached out and sponsored fees of the less fortunate so that they can continue with their education. In support to this we have inculcated in them to share what they have, this has enabled them to contribute stationary (note books, pens, pencils, eraser etc)

SDG Goal 15: life on land

To protect and restore the environment we promote the use of cloth bags replacing the plastics. This has resulted in minimum use of plastic in our campus.



We have distributed Cart to the needy to earn their livelihood. Inspired by the SDG goals and the key principles of JPIC one of our teachers was gracious enough spend the money kept aside for throwing a party at her retirement time to help a needy woman who lost on of her hands during a train accident. This year as the



school celebrated the 125 years of its inception, bringing about sustainability to the needy was a concern and keeping this in mind an economically weak family was helped by giving tin sheets and other accessories needed to repair the roof of their house so that be safe in their home.

Smc Intra School MUN



A three day MUN was conducted in the school as part of JPIC activity. The three major committees being United Nations Commission on the Status of Women(UNNCSW), United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC), Continuous Crisis Committee (CCC); where students were shared with the Research Agendas on which they had to raise their voice. After the quorum , the students displayed their skills of public speaking, writing, critical thinking, teamwork and

leadership. The participants in the form of delegates and representatives discussed motions and debated on vital issues across the world. The Simulation was presided over by the Executive Board Members who monitored the smooth functioning of the respective committees. The day ended with the precedence of votes and speeches. MUN helps students to learn about the principles of the UNO and how it functions. They also learn diplomacy, international relations and current world issues. It helps students to develop skills like public speaking, writing, critical thinking, teamwork and leadership. The workshop was a good platform for the students to enhance their skills on search analysis and debating module.

School Programme & Morning Assemblies

SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities

As the customary the students take special care to conduct the morning assemblies with much care keeping in mind the theme of justice and peace in order to we have a safer home thereby a safer society. Peace, harmony and brotherhood has always been upheld in all the programme of the school whether it be bulletin board preparation, morning assemblies, celebrating the various festivals of all religions or the school annual programme. The students had showcased a play named *Jagriti* wherein the social issues



showcased a play named *Jagriti* wherein the social issues were highlighted and the solutions for such problems in our society and community.

"From soil to soul - cultivating a sustainable world".