



## **World Earth Week Celebrated at Shoolini University**

A weeklong World Earth Day celebration was organized by Shoolini University in April 2023. The aim of the celebration was to conduct activities that promote sustainability and environmental conservation and thus help save Mother Earth. The activity received active participation from all the departments within the university campus. Most of the students and faculty members passionately worked towards the successful completion of this initiative. The activities conducted under this initiative are as follows: -

### **World Earth Day -G20 Banner Painting Competition, April 17, 2023**

To celebrate a weeklong Earth Day celebration, Shoolini University organized a banner printing competition on the campus. The competition was held between the departments of the university, and the theme for the banners was around Earth Day and G20.

The event was well received by the participants, and the creativity and unique ideas displayed in the banners were outstanding. Each department sent its best participants to showcase their artistic abilities and passion for the environment. The event was held in Ratan Tata Hall, and the banners were displayed on the stage for judging. The judges were a panel of experts in art, design, and environmental studies, who evaluated the banners based on creativity, relevance to the theme, and overall impact.

The banners were a visual treat, with each participant bringing their own unique style and message. The banners were hand-painted to reduce the use of plastic banners. Some banners

depicted the need for sustainable development, while others showcased the beauty of nature and the importance of preserving it. The G20 theme was also well-represented, with some participants highlighting the need for international cooperation in environmental issues. The event was organised and coordinated by the Dean Student Welfare office of Shoolini University. **Total number of participants: - 90**



Poster made for the event



Students from the Faculty of Management Sciences and Liberal Arts with their banner



**Students from School of Bioengineering with their banner**



**Students from Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences with their banner**



**Students from School of Biotechnology with their banner**

### **Report on Digital Poster Making Competition on SDGs, April 18, 2023**

The Digital Poster Making Competition on SDGs was organized by the DSW office of Shoolini University at the Cineplex on the campus. A total of 21 participants from different departments of the university took part in the event. The objective of the competition was to encourage participants to showcase their artistic abilities while spreading awareness about the Sustainable Development Goals.

The competition had a theme based on the 17 SDGs, which the participants were required to depict in their posters. They were allowed to use graphic designing tools such as Canva, Illustrator, or any other designing app of their choice to create their posters. The event was held in a spacious auditorium, providing ample space and resources to the participants to create their posters.

The posters created by the participants were inspiring and visually appealing. The posters depicted the SDGs in unique and creative ways, portraying various aspects of sustainable development. The participants skilfully used different colours, typography, and graphics to create their posters, making them a perfect blend of art and technology.

**Total number of participants: - 36**



**Students making digital posters**



**Competition going on in Cineplex**



**Students working in teams**

### **Quiz competition, April 19, 2023**

School of Biotechnology along with Engineering organized a quiz on Sustainable development Goals on 19th April 2023, the quiz had three difficulty levels. Students from all Faculties participated in this exciting informative contest. It started with a rapid fire round where the fastest to answer goes to the second round, in the second round, word puzzles based on Earth Day were given to students for solving, students who cleared this round entered the finals. Groups of two from all department in the final round were given scrambled letters to unscramble within a fixed time limit, joint winners of this competition were Pharmacy and Environmental Sciences.

On April 21, 2023, the sustainability stalls at Shoolini University saw the Biotechnology and Engineering joining forces for a stall selling fruit-based salad and green moong sprouts based bhel. The message was to promote sustainable food habits which are both delicious and nutritious.

**Total number of participants: - 22**



**Dr. Riya anchoring at the quiz competition**



**Organizers of the competition at PDH**



**Participants taking the quiz**



**All the participants and organizers posing for a group photograph**



## **Plantation Drive- Faculty of Science and Faculty of Agriculture, April 19, 2023**

A plantation drive was organized by the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Agriculture, Shoolini University, near Yogananda Villa area of the university, on 19th April 2023, as a part of Earth Week celebration. The main motive behind this event was to promote sustainability and encourage students to contribute towards a greener planet.

The plantation drive was a huge success with a significant participation of both faculty members and students. The organizers provided saplings of various native species and guided the participants on how to plant them properly. The event started at 2:00pm and continued till 5:30pm in the evening, during which several saplings were planted by the participants.

The event not only helped in promoting the idea of sustainability but also provided an opportunity for students to learn about the importance of native species and their role in maintaining the ecosystem. Moreover, it was a great way to involve students in community service and install a sense of responsibility towards the environment.

Overall, the plantation drive organized by the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Agriculture at Shoolini University was a successful initiative towards promoting environmental sustainability and educating students about the importance of native species. It was a step towards creating a better future for the planet and its inhabitants.

**Total number of participants: - 120**



**Volunteers gathered before leaving for the tree plantation drive**



**Volunteers planting the saplings**

### **Declamation Contest- World Earth Week, April 19, 2023**

Previous week was full of festivities in Shoolini University as we celebrated World Earth Day which is marked on April 22nd. At the UNESCO convention in 1969, peace campaigner John McConnell proposed the notion of observing Earth Day. On this day, representatives from numerous nations take an oath to safeguard the environment and work toward a sustainable future. The renowned Paris Agreement was signed in 2016 by 120 nations, including the US, China, and others. Mother Earth is currently dealing with several environmental problems because of human beings' self-centred needs. We have everything we need on Earth, thereby promoting efforts to safeguard the Earth and its resources is the key reason for Earth Day celebrations around the world.

Hence, Students united for spreading awareness about Sustainable development goals. A plethora of competitions were conducted in campus from banner making, Digital quiz, plantation drive, quiz, poster making and declamation competition. Declamation competition was organised on April 19, 2023, in Pharmacy department. The topics were Vasudhev Kutumbakam, women in governance, climate finance, digital transformation for environmental sustainability, India as a global leader in environmental transformation. The students from various departments participated in this competition. It was a sort of interdepartmental competition, in which Faculty of life sciences and Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences were the winners.

**Total number of participants: - 36**

## Idea pitching on Sustainability by Radio Shoolini, April 20, 2023

Idea pitching session at Radio Shoolini was conducted by two journalism students, Charumathi and Hritik, put forth ideas on sustainable living. The students emphasized the importance of adopting simple habits like turning off lights when not in use, cycling, and reducing food waste. These small actions can collectively lead to a significant positive impact on the environment. The students' ideas resonated with the audience, and their contributions were well-received.

Another noteworthy activity at the session was the "best out of waste" creation by students from Faculty of Management Sciences and Liberal Arts students. They used discarded items such as used plates, newspapers, and plastic bottles to create a human figure. The figure had a plastic bottle planter where the head would be, symbolizing positive and green thoughts. Furthermore, a steel bottle was included to promote the use of non-plastic water containers, and a plate filled with rice was added for the birds. This creative model showcased how discarded items can be upcycled and repurposed for a sustainable living.

The idea pitching session and the "best out of waste" activity were inspiring examples of how individuals can contribute towards environmental sustainability. They demonstrated how small actions and creative thinking can go a long way in making a positive impact on the environment. Such initiatives should be encouraged and promoted to spread awareness and motivate others to adopt a sustainable lifestyle.

**Total number of participants: - 18**



**Charumathi and Hritik conducting the show**



**All the organizers of the show at Radio Shoolini**

### **Selfie Booth by Satrangi Stokes Club on Earth Day, April 21, 2023**

On the eve of Earth Day, the members of Satrangi Stokes Club at the university came up with a unique idea of setting up a selfie booth using sustainable products such as newspapers and other recycled materials. The club members used their creativity to create an attractive and eco-friendly selfie booth, which was appreciated by the students and staff of the university. The club members used old newspapers, cardboard boxes, and other recycled materials to construct the selfie booth. They also decorated it with natural materials such as flowers, leaves, and twigs, giving it a beautiful and natural look.

A competition for all faculty, staff and students was launched. People were asked to dress in colours of green and blue and get pictures taken. The selfie booth was a hit among the students, who were excited to click pictures in the eco-friendly setup. The club members assisted the students in clicking pictures and encouraged them to use the hashtags #SustainableSelfie and #EarthDay2023 to spread awareness about sustainable practices and the importance of Earth Day.

**Total number of participants: - 16**



**Juhi Babbar getting a photograph clicked on Selfie booth**



**Ms. Pooja Verma, Dr. Nitika Thakur, and Deepshikha on selfie booth**

## Sustainable Mela, April 21, 2023

On the eve of Earth Day, a sustainable mela was organized at Shoolini University by the Dean of Student Welfare. The event aimed to create awareness about sustainable practices and promote responsible environmental behaviour among the university's faculty, staff, and students. The fair showcased various sustainable stalls set up by the students, and organizations like Earth Just and Goonj supported the event. The stalls exhibited innovative and eco-friendly products such as reusable bags, organic skincare products, and upcycled fashion items. The students demonstrated their creativity and knowledge on sustainability through various activities such as poster painting competitions, quizzes, and tree plantation drives.

The event was graced by the presence of chancellor Prof. P.K Khosla and Juhi Babbar Soni, a famous theatre artist. One of the most significant highlights of the event was the food stalls that promoted sustainability. These stalls served locally sourced, organic, and plant-based foods, encouraging people to make more informed and sustainable food choices. The food stalls also promoted the use of eco-friendly and compostable food packaging, which helped reduce the impact of plastic waste on the environment.

The university's faculty, staff, and students participated actively in the celebrations and pledged to take care of the environment and promote sustainability. The event provided a platform for the students to showcase their creativity and knowledge on sustainability, and it is hoped that it will inspire them to be responsible global citizens who contribute to building a sustainable future. Dean Student Welfare emphasized the importance of creating awareness about the impact of human activities on the environment and taking steps towards sustainability. The enthusiasm and commitment shown by the university's students towards this cause were commendable.

**Total number of participants: - 600**



**A stall put by School of Agriculture**



**A stitching stall put by ladies**



**A stall put by Foodtech faculty and students**





**Juhi Babbar buying a bag at a stall**



**Members of School of Agriculture with their products**