

ECO CLUB

TAMIL NADU NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY

REPORT FOR JULY-NOVEMBER 2018

1. Campus cleanup

The agenda of Environmental Conservation Club of Tamil Nadu National Law University is to inculcate the habit of environmental awareness and self-sustenance amongst the residents of the University. In taking the efforts to do so, one of the many events that are being conducted every year, is the Campus Clean Up. Following the same this year, the Campus Clean Up was conducted on the 12th of November, 2018. Aimed at a larger perspective of inculcating eco-consciousness among the students, this event was mainly about educating the residents about the waste that was being generated inside the campus and finding meaningful ways to dispose it without imposing a larger harm on the environment itself. This is essential as the students of TNNLU are exposed to a number of non-bio degradable wastes such as the plastic bags, water bottles, metal tin cans etc. each and every day. The initiatives of the Eco Club have been significant in creating awareness amongst its residents.

The Campus Clean up drive 2018, organized on the 12th of November with more than 70 volunteers from across the five years, post-graduate students and the lecturers in spite of the hectic schedule in the Campus. The drive was initiated at 4:30 P.M and went on till 6:30 P.M with a large number of enthusiastic volunteers turning up right after their classes and viva. The whole campus was divided into five zones; 1. Administrative Block & Amenities Block, 2. Men's Hostel & Women's Hostel, 3. UG Block, 4. PG Block, 5. Staff Quarters and the volunteers were organized accordingly. The Environmental Club facilitated the drive by providing the equipment necessary for the clean-up and overseeing the volunteer activities. After all the hard work put in by the volunteers they were provided with refreshments. The drive was indeed a successful initiative taken by the Eco Club, and would continue to be held in the semesters that follow.

2. Photography contest

Capture The Moment 2018, was the second edition of the photography competition organized by the Eco Club. This year the theme was Biodiversity in TNNLU, giving students an opportunity to explore the flora and fauna abundantly present in our campus.

We received 18 entries for the photography contest, out of which two entries were disqualified as they did not adhere to the Theme. The valid entries were judged on the basis of creativity, originality, composition, artistic merit and visual impact. The Panel of Judges comprised of four experts from all corners of the country who gave the final decision.

The contest was divided into two categories: Amateur (for pictures taken by mobile phones or digital camera) and Professional (for pictures taken with DSLR, etc.) with two prizes in each category. But due to paucity of entries in the Professional Category the special mention prize from the latter category was moved to the Amateur category. The winner received a cash prize of Rs. 1000 each and the special mentions received Rs.700 each.

Results:

Amateur Category:

1st Place- Isainee Raaj- II B.A.LLB(Hons.)– entry 1

Special Mention 1- Manoj- IV B.A.LLB(Hons.)– entry 1

Special Mention 2- Sanjitha Umapathy- III B.Com.LLB(Hons.) - entry 1

Professional Category:

1st Place- Srinivassa Balaji M- V B.Com.LLB(Hons.)

3. Sapling plantation

Being a budding new campus, creating an avid green cover has been one of the goals of the club since its inception. Fortunately, we have received support from the institution as well as the local authorities in achieving the same. The university received approximately 30 saplings from the Block Development Officer, Manikandam, Trichy. These saplings are considered to be adaptive to the climate and soil conditions of Trichy.

With assistance from the university gardeners the Eco Club planted these saplings in several places around the campus, specifically 10 around the Men's Hostel and 16 around the Women's Hostel.