

- On the occasion of World Environment Day, the Student Council of Gargi College organized two events in collaboration with Avni- The Eco Club: a Paper Presentation Competition and a Zero Waste Fireless Cooking Competition.

- The day began with an initiative called "Let's Bloom Together," which involved tree planting. Principal Prof. Sangeeta Bhatia, along with Dr. Poonam Phogat, Dr. Thoudam Regina, and Student Council Members, planted saplings of Mango, bel and Cheeku.

- Following the tree planting activity, the event proceeded to the Paper Presentation Competition. The competition aimed to encourage students to conduct research on various topics such as impact of Microplastics Pollution, Hazards of Pet Bottles, Recycling, Eco-Friendliness of Electric Cars, Sustainable practices & so on. Participants were expected to present innovative ideas related to environmental conservation and sustainability.

**Winners of Paper Presentation Competition** are as follows-

1. **First Position-** Akankshya Mishra of B.A. (Programme) presented on the topic Fashion Industry & its Ecological Footprint
2. **Second Position-** Ritwika Nandi of B.Sc. Life Sciences presented on the topic Fashion Industry and its Ecological Footprint
3. **Third Position-** Mehak Bajaj & Manya Chawla of B.Com (Hons.) presented on the topic Recycling- A business strategy or merely a business

- Simultaneously, the Zero Waste Fireless Cooking Competition took place. This event aimed to promote sustainable cooking practices. Participants were encouraged to prepare delicious and nutritious meals using zero-waste techniques and energy-efficient appliances without the use of fire or electricity. The competition emphasized the importance of conserving energy resources and minimizing greenhouse gas emissions. The food prepared was distributed to the construction site workers.

**Winners of Zero Waste Fireless Cooking** are as follow:-

1. **First Position-** Rajaswi of B.Sc. Life Sciences presented Gol Gappe & Desert
2. **Second Position-** Aditi Sara of B.Com Programme presented custard salad, Cheese Sandwich and orange juice
3. **Third Position-** Alka Jyoti & Jyoti of B.Sc. (Hons) Zoology presented Nature's veggie bread & island bliss

- Both the Paper Presentation Competition and the Zero Waste Fireless Cooking event were aligned with the theme of Weaving Sustainable Solutions: Shaping Greener Future.