## **Activities 2017**

Green Beans Society offers unique opportunity to be part of a community that is determined to impact the surroundings in a positive way. Green Beans is stimulating, cosmopolitan and very much part of real world environment forum. Through the diverse initiatives the society impacts the growth and formulates the ideas of young minds in the direction of being more eco-friendly and responsible citizens.

Each year the society conducts the orientation program for its new members in August. In the session 2017-18, orientation was followed by an online competition "Art and artifacts of nature" in which students were required to use their creative expressions and make cards, folders, bookmarks etc using waste materials. During the last week, the members of society prepared the wallpaper on the theme 'Retreating Antarctica' to raise awareness regarding the climate change.

For the next month, the society started its field project "Botanical audit" under Dr. Akanksha Mishra which aimed to familiarize the members about their surrounding and to prepare a catalogue of the trees, herbs and shrubs on campus. In the same month, society was approached by the WWF-India for their project 'echo' which is an intercollege environment societies' panel to share experiences and learn from each other's activities. However, the work done by our society was most applauded there.

In the month of October, the society undertook the 'anti-cracker campaign' which was also appreciated and covered by Delhi Times. Students had prepared the posters and slogans for the same. As a mid – semester break activity 'Best out of waste' competition was organized. The best creations were then put up for the exhibition during "Adrith" – the Diwali Mela of our college. A flash mob was also organized to spread the anti-cracker campaign, it saw a turnout of around 70 students and also witnessed the participation of non- GBS members.

As a part of cleanliness drive and for creating awareness about waste management amongst students, listing of items under biodegradable and non-biodegradable was done and it was pasted on the green and blue bins respectively. On 19th October a group of students visited the eco-friendly photo exhibition 'Aravalliscapes' which was held in the World Habitat Centre and displayed the significance of the Aravallis.

On 4th November, a trip was organized to Sultanpur National Park to acquaint students with the migratory birds and their habitat. Green Beans was also awarded the 'World, Ecology, Environment and Development Award' by the International Association of educators for world peace during the 26th World Environment Congress held on November 7, 2017.

The society also organized the plantation drive in collaboration with Gandhi Study Circle and NSS for 'Gandhi Vandan' so as to pay homage to father of the nation on 30th January. In February 2018, two students of the society undertook a research paper titled 'Biodiversity Profile of Kamala Nehru College'under the supervision of Dr. Sarita Ghai, the teacher convenor and Dr. Akansha Mishra, the students' advisor which was presented in the 6th National Conference on "Biodiversity and Climate Change" in Maharaja Agrasen College of Delhi University. Further, the students' of the society showed keen participation in inter college competitions such as in the Quiz competitionconducted by the environment Society of Jesus and Mary College and secured first rank in the same.

During "Ullas'18" the annual fest of our college, a flash mob was organized to raise awareness regarding water conservation and to unveil the date of Terra'18 which was to

be held in March. The society also organized the online creative writing competition, 'Greenathon'18' on the theme 'Plastipocalypse - Beating the Plastic Pollution'. In the same month thecreative team renewed the wallpaper on the theme 'Water Conservation.'

During the annual fest "Terra'18" various influential speakers were invited to give public lectures and the event filled with many exciting competitions and cash prizes, witnessed a successful participation from students of various colleges across DU and the event was also covered by various online media houses.

On the occasion of World Environment day on June 5, 2018, the "Petroleum Conservation Research Association (PCRA), Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, GOI", invited representatives from our society for a group talk on 'Energy Conservation'.