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NSS Unit of GDC Kulgam Holds "One Bottle One Plant" Plantation Drive in Honour of Local Defence Heroes Under "Meri Mati Mera Desh (MMMD)"

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GDC Kulgam, 31-07-2023: The NSS unit of Government Degree College (GDC) Kulgam took a remarkable step towards environmental conservation by organizing a plantation drive titled "One Bottle One Plant" under the banner of "Meri Mati Mera Desh (MMMD)" on July 31, dedicated to honoring the sacrifices of Local Defence heroes.. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from 40 NSS volunteers who actively contributed to making their college campus greener and more sustainable.

The initiative aimed to promote eco-friendly practices while reusing discarded plastic bottles as planters for succulent plants. Each volunteer came prepared with a single succulent plant carefully nurtured in a repurposed plastic bottle. The plantation drive saw a diverse array of succulents, adding vibrant colors to the campus.

The college's botanical garden served as the canvas for this eco-conscious endeavor. The NSS participants creatively hung the plastic bottle planters along the garden's fence, not only providing a visually appealing spectacle but also symbolizing their commitment to fighting plastic waste.

The inauguration of the event was graced by the esteemed Principal of GDC Kulgam, who lauded the NSS unit for taking such a proactive and environmentally responsible initiative. He highlighted the importance of such endeavors in instilling a sense of environmental consciousness among the youth and emphasized the need for more such initiatives to combat ecological challenges.

The NSS Program Officer (PO), Shahid Yousuf Gilkar, expressed his pride in the dedication and hard work exhibited by the NSS volunteers in making the event a grand success. Mr. Gilkar also praised the participants for their vision in repurposing plastic bottles as planters, showcasing their commitment to both environmental preservation and creative recycling. "The 'One Bottle One Plant' initiative is a small step towards a greener and sustainable future. Each plant planted here today symbolizes a promise from our NSS unit to contribute to a cleaner and healthier environment," stated Mr. Gilkar. He urged the students to continue their efforts in the conservation of nature and to spread awareness about the significance of sustainability.

The event successfully underscored the importance of collective responsibility in safeguarding the environment. The NSS unit's initiative not only added to the greenery of the college campus but also provided an exemplary model for other educational institutions to follow. By repurposing discarded plastic bottles and fostering a culture of sustainability, the "One Bottle One Plant" plantation drive left an indelible mark in the hearts of all participants, motivating them to continue making a positive impact on the environment.

As the sun set on the day's event, it left behind a brighter, greener, and more hopeful future for GDC Kulgam and the surrounding community. With such dedicated and proactive efforts, it is certain that the young minds of today are ready to lead the charge towards a cleaner and greener tomorrow.



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