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Report of the Awareness cum Cleanliness Drive of River Veshaw

Under the auspices of Clean India Campaign 2.0, National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of the College conducted a Mega Awareness Cum Cleanliness Drive of River Veshaw at Ashthal Village of District Kulgam on 22nd October, 2022. Around 46 NSS volunteers participated in the Drive. The event was flagged off by the Principal of the College, Prof. (Dr.) Manzoor Ahmad Lone. Dr Safeer Ahmed Bhat, NSS Programme Officer and Mr. Iftikar Ahmad Pall, Assistant Professor in the Department of Education lead the volunteers to the village. Dr. Safeer Ahmed Bhat concisely talked about the rationale of the drive and held that the main focus of the programme was to clean the River Vishaw and to make people aware regarding proper disposal of waste.

Stacks of garbage had piled up in the entire area due to the disposal of plastic waste by the local inhabitants of the village. The Volunteers were divided into 6 groups headed by a team leader to ensure cleanliness of the particular spots assigned. One Side of the river was cleaned by 3 teams and the opposite side by the rest 3 teams. In the first round, the volunteers cleaned the river banks and the adjoining stone run off the trash and plastic and the polythene bags hindering the water flow were also removed from the river. There was a visible improvement in the river which now looked cleaner and more hygienic. Along with the loads of plastic, a huge amount of organic waste was also picked during the cleanliness Drive. Because of the Flash Floods, volunteers found a lot of clothes, and other materials like mattresses, pillows, bed sheets etc. Electronic waste was also found in abundance. The Polybags containing the trash were later on emptied in the garbage trucks of Kulgam Municipal Committee. All the Volunteers vowed to work for environmental hygiene by protecting the environment from pollution and restoring the water bodies flowing in their immediate vicinities. Furthermore, the people were also encouraged to avoid single use plastic and ensure the use of dustbins and were advised not to litter the area and the River Vishaw.

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