







GOVERNMENT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, SECTOR 20 D, CHANDIGARH MERI MAATI MERA DESH CAMPAIGN (05-08-2023 to 18-08-2023) Report

19-08-2023

The NSS Cell of Government College of Education, Sector 20 D, Chandigarh observed the *Meri Maati Mera Desh* under the able guidance of Principal Dr Sapna Nanda and NSS POs Dr Ravneet Chawla, Associate Professor and Mr Ravinder Kumar. The phases of tree plantation were done in 5 steps. A pre round was conducted on the day one of the month. SBI Regional officers initiated the handing over of 75 fruit plants and planted 10 fruit trees near the gate of the college. In the second round 50 more plants were handed over also. The students were allowed to use 15 of these plants in their neighborhoods over the fortnight.

Among further series of activities conducted tree plantation drive in the adopted village Kajheri. Dr Ravneet Chawla and NSS Volunteers handed over saplings and planted a couple of fruit plants at GHS Kajheri along with the Head, Mrs Gurmeet Kaur and the students and staff of primary wing of the school. The cheerful children loved the activity and promised to look after the plants on a daily basis. The activity was extended in the common park of the village in which the area councillor, Sh Lakhveer Singh planted trees along with the college volunteers. NSS President Shivam Jha extended heartfelt thanks to him for the opportunity and the students had active discussions to map further improvements in the village. The plants were provided by the SBI Regional Office, Chandigarh in a collaborative activity under MMMD.The NSS Volunteers also attended the webinar organized by the Panjab University on Guru Shisheya Parampara Chaired by the Vice Chancellor Prof Renu Vij with Coordinator, Prof Sanjay Kaushik. The speaker Maharishi Shankranand Ji, Akhil Bhartiya Sangathan Mantri held the audience with his deep knowledge and spiritual flavour.

On August 15, NSS Cell with the co committees of the college observed the solemn flag hoisting. Cultural program included patriotic songs and address by the Principal. Dr Vijay Phogat of the college was the Chief Guest (Practice of rotation among faculty is observed). Sweets were distributed to mark the day. Tree plantation was carried out in ward no. 20. The councilor Mr. Gurcharanjit Singh Kala and village head Mr. Jeet Singh ji, Mr. Rajinder Singh ji and the residents of the village were present on the occasion. NSS Student President Shivam Jha of Government College of Education, Chandigarh and NSS volunteers took part in this event with the message to love nature by engaging the youth. Mr. Ravinder Kumar NSS PO discussed on the problems and possibilities in future for the welfare of the village.

Another parallel activity has been the ongoing development of vertical wall garden in the college. The collected waste bottle collection has been fruitfully put up. The plants will be seeded in these by the new batch under induction from August 17-19, 2023.

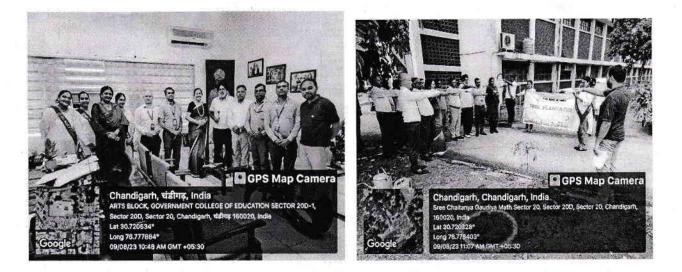
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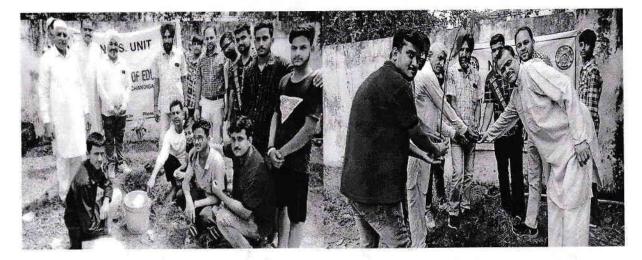


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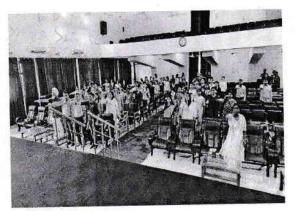














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