

PALAMPUR SCIENCE CENTRE, PALAMPUR
(A Unit of National Council of Science Museums)

Activity Report for the Month of April-2023

Observance of Swachhata Pakhwada

16-30 April, 2023

In order to create awareness about the cleanliness & hygiene for better community health, Palampur Science Centre observed Swachhata Pakhwada during April 16-30, 2023 and organised various activities for its staff members, school students and general public. The fortnight started by administering Swachhata Pledge by all the staff members of the centre. A special cleanliness drive was undertaken on 16.04.2023, 17.04.2023 and 21.04.2023 for cleaning the centre premises and surrounding areas. Interactive sessions on “*Health, Hygiene and Sanitation*” were organised for school students on 22.04.2023, 25.04.2023 and 28.04.2023. A popular lecture on ‘Community Health: Imperatives and Challenges’ was delivered by Project Coordinator which was followed by Open House Quiz on the topic “*Swachh Bharat*”, and painting contest on “*Swachh Bharat, Swasth Bharat*” for school students. A documentary film underlining the importance of sanitation practices for better community health was screened for the students. The premises of the centre was cleaned thoroughly. The fortnight was concluded with pledge by participants to ensure clean and hygienic environment for better community health.

Observance of Earth Day

22nd April, 2023

In order to create awareness about the proper use of resources and conservation of earth, Palampur Science centre observed Earth Day on April 22, 2023 by organising various educational programmes like Popular science lecture, Open House Quiz, Painting Competition and screening of films for school students. The programme started with brief historical background of observance of Earth Day which was followed by a popular science lecture on “Invest in Our Planet for Sustainable Future’ was delivered by Project Coordinator. In his address project coordinator discussed history of Earth Day and underlined the importance of mitigating climate change for a sustainable future. It was followed by a painting contest on the theme “*Invest in our Planet*” in which 20 students have participated. After that an Open House Quiz on the theme “*Conservation of Nature*”, was conducted in which questions related to environment, modernisation, pollution, resources, climate change were asked. In all those programmes general public and 81 students of

different schools i.e. St. Paul Palampur, Anuradha Public School, Maranda, Shining Star Global School, JNV Kangra, Mount Carmel School, Thakurdwara have participated. The programme was concluded with a pledge of investing in our planet for a sustainable future.

Observance of World Malaria Day

25th April, 2023

World Malaria Day was observed at Palampur Science Centre, Palampur by conducting various activities for school students. On this occasion, a documentary film was screened for public awareness regarding and conducting an open house quiz for the students and general public. Along with these, a Popular Science Lecture on the theme “*Malaria: Prevention, Treatment & Eradication*” was delivered by Project Coordinator. At last, a painting contest was also conducted for the students of the various schools of Palampur and other areas. An approximate no. of 43 students and teachers participated in the programme.

Observance of World Veterinary Day

29th April, 2023

To create awareness, about the importance of animal livestock, the following programmes are scheduled to be conducted on 29th April, 2023 at the PSC, Palampur.

- a) Popular Science Lecture on the topic “*Economy of Livestock Farming in The State of Himachal Pradesh*” by Dr. Amit Guleria, Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Palampur at 10:30 AM for the students and trainee veterinarians of Kangra districts.
- b) An Open House Quiz on the theme ‘*Animal Health Issues: Diagnosis, Prevention and Cure*’ for the participants.
- c) A documentary film on “*Importance of Livestock Farming*” will also be screened on the same day for the visitors.