

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan's

SARDAR PATEL COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

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Affiliated to University of Mumbai



Nirmalya Collection

on the occasion of

Ganesh Utsav



September 30, 2023

Date : September 19–29,2023

Mode: offline

Detailed report

The Nirmalya Collection Drive at Sardar Patel College of Engineering (SPCE), organized by Prakriti – the Green Club, aimed to promote environmental sustainability and eco-friendly practices. Held during Ganesh Utsav from September 19 to 29, 2023, the drive focused on the theme "Sustainability and biodegradation." Students were encouraged to collect Nirmalya, the biodegradable waste like flowers and garlands used in religious ceremonies. With 158 students participating, volunteers also visited nearby Ganeshotsav mandals and brought Nirmalya from their homes. The collected materials were processed into natural fertilizer for Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan's Botanical Garden and Nursery.

Objectives

- To reduce environmental pollution caused by improper disposal of Nirmalya.
- To promote awareness of sustainable waste management practices.
- To produce organic fertilizers for sustainable agriculture at Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan's Botanical Garden and Nursery.

Nirmalya Collection Process: The collection drive took place during the Ganesh Chaturthi festival, a time when large amounts of flowers, garlands, and biodegradable offerings are used for religious rituals. Students set up collection points at various locations on campus and in nearby areas where these offerings were brought. Volunteers from various departments participated in collecting, segregating, and transporting the Nirmalya to designated composting sites.



Few Images uploaded by the Volunteers



Conclusion:

The Nirmalya collection and composting initiative at SPCE was a successful effort toward promoting sustainability and eco-friendly waste management. The Green Club of SPCE successfully collected 42Kg of nirmalya and generated an excellent organic fertilizer. It not only helped reduce pollution but also supported sustainable agricultural activities at the Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan's Botanical Garden and Nursery. Through this initiative, students gained practical knowledge in environmental stewardship, and the community was encouraged to adopt greener practices.
