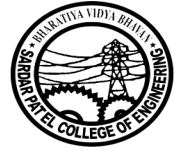




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## **Report on Beach Cleaning Expedition**

A beach cleaning expedition was conducted by the Extension Activity Cell of Sardar Patel College Of Engineering on the 14th January, Saturday from 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Versova Beach in association with the Afroz Shah Foundation. A student team of 19 members went out on the cleaning mission amidst the exam season. The cleaning drive lasted for about 1 hour and 15 mins, wherein the students geared up at 8:00 a.m. The gloves and all the cleaning materials were provided by the foundation.

Before the weekly clean-up starts, all the students were given instruction of what is to be during the drive. Excavators dig up the sand and bring up the plastic buried inside the sand, to the surface. All kinds of waste, right from tangled nets to plastic bags were collected by the students in tub and then gathered in trucks. The municipal corporation trucks are filled up with plastic and other garbage and are sent to recycling plants where they are separated and biodegradable waste is sent to landfills and rest is recycled at its best. Things like milk bags, plastic bags and other non- biodegradable items are picked up. Music and songs are played in the background and everyone enjoys the time there.

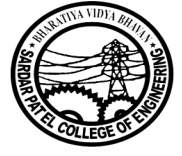
After the task was accomplished, the campaign was called off for the day just to carry on the same consistently next week. All the volunteers were given refreshments by the foundation before dispersing and after taking a pledge of keeping the seas clean the campaign ended on a successful note. Maithili Shinde, Social Secretary of the Student Council 22-23 was the point of contact between the students and the NGO, making sure all the students assembled at the right venue at the right time

So far, most of the beach has been cleaned, tonnes of plastics are taken out of the Beach every week. And we are looking forward to doing more such drives in upcoming months.





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-Bobcats that are used to dig and excavate the buried garbage from inside the sand.



-Our volunteers then pick up waste and collect them in a container which when completely filled is poured in a garbage truck situated nearby.