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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Wildlife Awareness Rally (25 September 2019)

Thirty students of Zoology participated in the wildlife awareness rally conducted by Anubhav NGO in association with faculty members of Asutosh College and others adjoining colleges. The rally started from Jatindas Park, located in front of the college and reached the destination, Deshapriya Park. The students had prepared posters of several burning wildlife issues which were displayed throughout the walk. The purpose was raising awareness and sensitizing the community as a whole, the need for conservation of wildlife—an urgent need for our own sustenance, for direct and indirect bioresource values as well as ethical and aesthetical importance. It was a symbiotic process where the students themselves absorbed the message of conservation and tried to disseminate the same.



Workshop on Gender Sensitization (22 November 2019)

Sexual harassment is a burning issue in the contemporary context. Be it rural or urban, women of all ages face discrimination and harassment at some form or the other throughout their lives. To sensitize the students and to foster understanding and dispel mistaken notions, a workshop titled Sexual Harassment: Concept, Trajectories and Remittance with Dr Sudarshana Sen, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Gour Banga as the speaker was organized by the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) of the college. Teachers and students participated enthusiastically and the workshop was enlivened by the insightful question, answer session that followed the lecture.



Awareness Generation on Plastic Pollution (2019)

The Tide Turners Plastic Challenge has been conceived recently been developed as part of United Nations Environment Programme's Clean Seas Campaign to educate young people about plastic pollution and to encourage them to play a part in resolving pressing environmental issues. UNEP has been working with the Scouts, the Guides and Junior Achievement across various African countries, India and the Caribbean with the aim of mobilizing thousands of young people to participate in the fight against plastic pollution and marine litter. The Challenge has been developed with a series of levels and activities at each stage which must be completed to advance to the next level. This is meant to push young people to become aware of the issues threatening the planet, as well as to engage them in a fun and challenging undertaking which can lead to a sense of personal fulfilment in taking responsibility for the planet's well-being. This badge also encourages the development of leadership skills and meaningful, impactful change-making. The aim is to create a new movement of young people across the world who will be committing to take action to reduce plastic waste in their lives, at schools, and within the community. The department of Zoology participated in the challenge to raise awareness on the misuse of a non-

biodegradable product plastic leading to environmental hazard. Sutirtha Roy competed at and completed the Champions Level of the challenge.



Career Counselling and Training Programme (25 February 2020)

The Career Counselling and Training Programme is a comprehensive 6 months programme designed for the final year undergraduate students of the College to give them an idea of the various career options in each subject and to prepare for the same by offering holistic guidance for competitive examinations as well as professional etiquette and provide cognitive analysis of individual interest. Mainly helmed by the faculty members of various departments of the college, resource persons with expertise from relevant fields from outside the college are also roped in to impart training. Special emphases are given on computer training and communication and soft-skill development. The programme is divided into four phases:

Phase I—Orientation

Phase II—Generic-Specific Counselling

Phase III—Practical and Interactive-Ability Training

Phase IV—Evaluation

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B.A.(GENERAL)	258		
B.SC.(GENERAL WITH BIOSC.)	64		
B.SC.(GENERAL WITH PURE SC.)	192		
ВВА	41		
BENGALI(H)	64		
BIO-CHEMISTRY(H)	35		
BOTANY(H)	15		
CHEMISTRY(H)	48		
COMMUNICATIVE ENGLISH (M)	60		
COMPUTER SC.(H)	56		
ECONOMICS(H)	49		
ELECTRONICS(H)	13		
ENGLISH(H)	64		
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE(H)	25		
GEOGRAPHY(H)	61		
GEOLOGY(H)	44		
HISTORY(H)	41		
INDUSTRIAL FISH AND FISHERIES(BVOC)	18		
INDUSTRIAL FISH AND FISHERIES(M)	54		
JOURNALISM(H.)	64		
MATHEMATICS(H)	49		
MICROBIOLOGY(H)	36		
PHILOSOPHY(H)	5		
PHYSICS(H)	72		
POLITICAL SCIENCE(H)	32		
PSYCHOLOGY (BAH)	31		
PSYCHOLOGY (BSCH)	30		
SANSKRIT(H)	18		
SOCIOLOGY(H)	48		
SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT	24		
STATISTICS(H)	39		
ZOOLOGY(H)	34		





Blood Donation Camp (28 February 2020)

To tide over the crisis of blood, the students' union of the college took a pro-active role in organising a blood donation camp at the Common Room of the college, which witnessed enthusiastic participation by the students and faculties alike.





Manufacture of sanitizer and free distribution (March 2020)

Sanitizers and masks have become a part and parcel of our everyday lives since the advent of Covid-19. The department of Chemistry formulated and bottled sanitizers which in turn were distributed by the students' union amongst the needy.



Financial Help for Covid-19 (5 April 2020)

The staff of the college donated to the best of their abilities to raise Rs 10 lakh for Covid-19 relief. A cheque of the said amount was handed to the Minister of Higher Education, Government of West Bengal.





Cyclone Relief Work by Department of Geology (May-June 2020)

The students, faculty and alumni collected funds for those devastated by cyclone Amphan. They funded various organisations and also sponsored the entire renovation work of an orphanage (Seva Ashram) run by Dakshin Kalikata Krira - O - Sanskriti Parishad.

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Covid-19 Relief Distribution (May-September 2020)

As a part of its social responsibility, the college stood united in providing relief to the distressed during Covid-19. Throughout May to September, nearly 1000 needy families in the neighbourhood of the college were provided with food and essential supplies on a daily basis.





World Environment Day (5-10 June 2020)

The students of the department of Zoology actively participated in the celebration of World Environment Day on 5 June to raise awareness on the need for conservation and adoption of immediate pro-active measures for the same. The students won laurels on behalf of the college in various competitive events held on 10 June and organised by World Wildlife Fund, India in association with Hulladek Recycling.





Project ECHO (15 October 2020—28 July 2021)

On the occasion of World Environment Day, the department of Zoology participated in the WWF-launched Project ECHO which is an exciting pan-India Youth Volunteering Program that seeks to empower young minds to create innovative, long term, impactful and sustainable conservation projects The title of the Zoology project was "FOOD TO FEED, NOT BIN INDEED", through which the students wanted to make people aware that the food web is the web of life - how we grow, transport & process our food is the single biggest determinant of the health of our planet & our own individual health. Food is among humanity's greatest joys. From savouring special delights to sharing food, how we eat symbolizes our deepest bonds. However what is worrying is that the way we consume food could consume us. Our project was relevant to sustainable development goals (SDGs): Zero Hunger (SDG 2), clean water and sanitation (SDG 6), Responsible production and consumption (SDG 12), Climate Change (SDG 13) & Life on Land (SDG 15). 55 students were part of the Echo Team in form of graphics heads, PR heads, social heads etc.

