#### **LEGAL AID EVENT: PLANTATION DRIVE**

(Report on the event conducted in the residential colony of chattarpur enclave, phase 2 on 26 November 2019)

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**Abstract:** This event was conducted by Volunteer, Legal Aid Centre, S.L.S. Noida. A plantation drive was conducted in collaboration with the New Residents Welfare Association of the colony.

### **Concept note**

The legal aid centre of our college has always promoted awareness programmes to increase the awareness of people with respect to topics that people don't actually bother to look onto. Making people aware about the clean healthy environment, as well as educating them about their legal rights and taking steps to reduce injustice happening in the society, are some of the many tasks that legal aid center looks forward to. So I as to contribute some to my centre organized an event named as the plantation drive in collaboration with the New Residents Welfare Association of Chattarpur Enclave, Phase 2, New Delhi.

We have recently observed the high pollution levels that have been prevalent in our city. Smog can cause or aggravate health problems such as asthma, emphysema, chronic bronchitis and other respiratory problems as well as eye irritation and reduced resistance to colds and lung infections. The ozone in smog also inhibits plant growth and can cause widespread damage to crops and forests. So as to do a little for the society, I and the residents of the colony conducted the plantation drive.

Pollution is one of the biggest challenges faced by the world today. All the countries are adopting more and more laws on pollution reduction. Still, governmental actions cannot guarantee the complete elimination of this problem. The main thing is to make all the ordinary people understand the importance of this issue and to make them respect the environment they live in.

### **Objectives**

The main objective of the legal aid centre was to make people aware about the environmental degradation. The main objectives were to –

- 1. Make people aware about the initiative and environmental degradation.
- 2. To plant 100 plants in the colony

### **Preliminary Preparations**

We divided each other in groups of 3 and further 5 groups were made. Further, the initiative was started in the presence of the councilor of Chattarpur. The day before the event, a meeting was organized with the RWA president and further, all the members and volunteers were informed about the event being conducted. Further, councilor was also invited for the event.

### **Conducting the event**

The event started around 8 am in the morning, and it was further very cold outside but still the enthusiasm and further the participation of the colony members made it possible to conduct such an event. Further, many other pedestrians were informed about the plantation drive and also were told the effects of causing pollution. We reached the target of our plantation drive which was to plant a total of 100 plants in the colony and at different places. The president of the RWA was also very cooperative to promote such initiatives and further he helped in organizing the event.

### **Audience response**

People were informed about the event and many people engaged in the same process. The meeting started with around 20 members but as we continued many other people joined the event and helped in other ways. Many other people promised to not to use plastic and also to plant a sampling every week. It was an overwhelming response and volunteers showed great enthusiasm.

#### Future plan of action

Further, we have decided that we will organize more events like this so as to protect our environment and further contribute to the society.

### Suggestions/Feedback

More people should be encouraged to conduct such events, more people should come out of their homes to do a bit for the society. I personally haven't planted much trees or worked for the environment but as I

conducted this event I got to know that how important is our environment to us which remains neglected by most of the people. I learned that we can take out 30 mins every week to do a bit for the society.

## **Conclusion/Remarks:**

This was a great learning experience as it made me realise the importance and I would be glad in conducting such events in the future.

### **ANNEXURE 1**







# **ANNEXURE 2**

