

## ECO WATCH CLUB REPORT-2023

The club conducted Elections and appointed the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the club

President- Srustitha Williams (III B.Sc)

Secretary- Usha Bai (III B.Sc)

Treasurer- Madeeha khanum(III B.Sc)

### CLEAN CAMPUS- AWARENESS DRIVE

Eco watch club along with the NSS and NCC unit organised a clean campus drive in the college campus on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2022. This campaign encouraged cleanliness and promoted hygiene and reduced the spread of sickness by maintaining a clean college environment which sets a good example to the students. Students displayed placards and charts which carried many slogans to avoid littering the campus. Maintaining cleanliness is the essential part of healthy living. This campaign was conducted to promote civic sense among students and community. Eco watch club students went to all the classes and briefed about the importance of cleanliness of the campus. Students were advised not to throw papers, plastic plates, water bottles, chips packets, paper cups and tissues on the college lawns, garden, classes and corridors. They were told to make the campus and class rooms a better place for a healthy living. All the 35 Eco watch club students participated in the campaign.



## REPORT ON ORPHANAGE OUTREACH

Date: 21 DECEMBER 2022

Name of the orphanage – GERIZIM ORGANIZATION

No of students: 20- 25 Age group: 5 – 17yrs [specially disabled]

On account of Christmas, an outreach program was conducted for the students to understand and celebrate the gift of life which was led by Prof Mrs Esther Watson and Prof Dr Susanna P. The students celebrated Christmas with the kids in the orphanage. The program started with an opening prayer followed by bible reading. Students performed carol singing and danced with them. This program enabled the students to understand the value of parents and the gift of healthy life. Students were given an opportunity to work for the betterment of society. This programme influenced a behavioral change in students. It instilled awareness of community needs and also empowered them to make positive changes in themselves. It provided our institution an opportunity to reach out to meet the needs of the under privileged. Sanitary pads, Chocolates, chips, stationary items, and cloths were distributed to the children. The Goodbyes were hard and left the orphanage with a mixture of good feelings and sad emotions. The visit also encouraged students to help the needy. The experience was very memorable





## POT PAINTING AND DECOUPAGE WORKSHOP

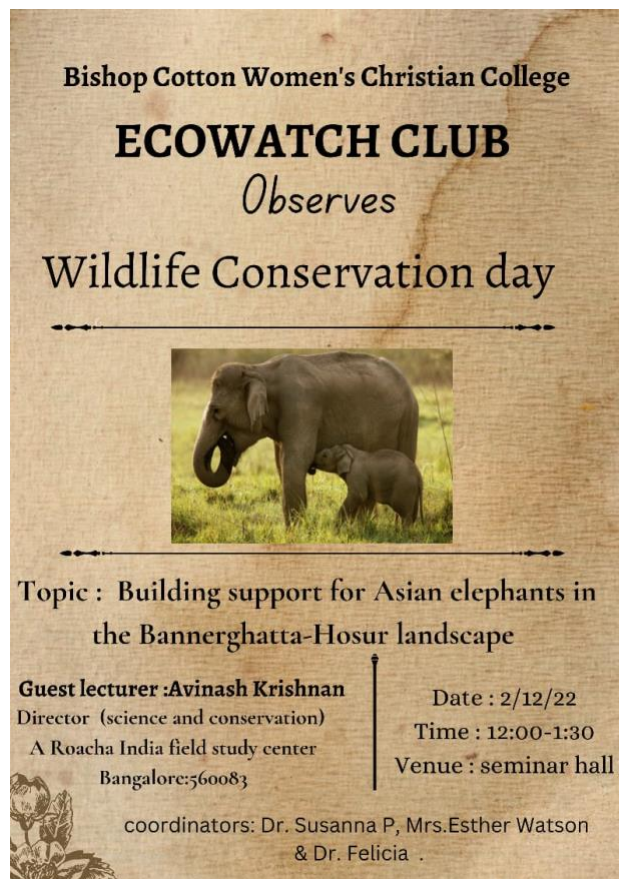
Pot painting workshop was conducted for students on 4-11-2022 and Decoupage workshop on 08-12-2022 respectively. Students actively participated and learnt the art of traditional pot painting, doing intricate work on the pots. These little details make a big difference. This workshop stimulates sensory development. It makes students communicate with their art. Resource person was Dr. Sadiya Hameed, faculty, Department of Commerce. This exercise improved certain motor skills in students and relaxed their minds.



## REPORT ON WILD LIFE CONSERVATION DAY

Wild life conservation day was observed on 02-12-2022 with the theme “Recovering key species for Ecosystem Restoration”- to raise awareness of the state of endangered wildlife and to highlight the power of conservation efforts seeking to reverse their fate. A seminar was organised for the students titled “Building support for Asian elephants in the Bannerghatta-Hosur landscape”. The speaker Mr. Avinash Krishnan is the Director for Science and Conservation, A Rocha India field study centre. He highlighted on the need to conserve Asian Elephants as their population have declined by at least 50% the last three generations and they face a very high risk of extinction in the wild in the near future.

Almost 70 students and 5 teachers attended the seminar. It was a very informative and enriching session to study about elephants in the Bannerghatta landscape



## AWARENESS PROGRAM-SEGREGATION OF WASTE AND RECYCLING

The Eco watch club conducted an awareness program to all the NSS volunteers, NCC cadets, student council members and Degree maintenance staff on “Segregation of wastes and Recycling”. The speaker was Mrs. Padmashree Balram, an environmental activist working on sustainability and SWM who works with NGOs and colleges in Bangalore. A detailed report on the wastes collected in the canteen, dry leaf waste, plastic wastes and E-waste was worked out and the methods to dispose these wastes were also discussed. A record is maintained to measure all these different types of solid and wet wastes in the college. Methods of segregation were explained to the maintenance staff. The method of treating dry leaf waste to produce organic manure was also explained.



## VISIT TO LALBAGH BOTANICAL GARDEN

On January 24<sup>th</sup> 2023, the Eco watch club and the Botany department visited the Lalbagh botanical Garden which is considered to be one of the most diverse botanical gardens in South Asia. The Republic Day flower show went on from January 19<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>. This year it was a tribute to historians of Bengaluru. The floral arrangements catering to the theme will be scattered behind the glass house at Lalbagh. It featured the flowers of both Karnataka and other states of the country. These include cymbidium from Darjeeling, ornamentals from Tamil nadu and Andhra Pradesh. There were approximately three lakh flower posts of 97 varieties from different countries. This visit was an attempt to encourage gardening as a practice and to train students the art of Ikebana. 15 students from Eco watch club participated.





The club also observed Earth hour on 25-03-2023. Online quiz and Geotagged photo competitions were conducted on this day. 40 students participated in the events and won prizes

World Environment Day was observed on 5-6-2023 and the theme was “beat Plastic Pollution. Many events were conducted like model making with theme wealth out of waste and sketching. 30 Students participated and won prizes.



Convenor

DR. SUSANNA P