



Programme Report

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Program report: Celebration of WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

 Organized by:	ECO CLUB of Surendranath Law College, Kolkata
 Date:	5 th June 2025 (Thursday)
 Time:	10:30 AM onwards
 Venue:	Google Meet platform
 Convenor:	Debjani Ojha
 Speaker:	Dr. Aneesh V. Pillai

About the College and the Program:

Surendranath Law College, one of India's oldest and most prestigious institutions for legal education, has been shaping legal minds since its establishment in 1885. Affiliated with the University of Calcutta, the college has a rich legacy of academic excellence and public engagement. The institution is not only known for its historical significance but also for its commitment to progressive education and social awareness.

As part of this commitment, the ECO CLUB of Surendranath Law College organized a webinar on June 5, 2025, in celebration of World Environment Day, observed globally on the same day. The webinar, titled “**Beyond the Bin: Legal Frameworks for Tackling the Plastic Pollution Menace**”, was held virtually via Google Meet and was intellectually steered by Prof. Dr. Mohammadi Tarannum, the Vice-Principal of the College.

World Environment Day (WED), celebrated every year on June 5, is a global platform for environmental public outreach, driven by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) since 1973. The genesis of this observance dates back to the

1972 Stockholm Conference — the first-ever U.N. summit focused on the human environment, a landmark event proposed by Sweden and led by Maurice Strong, a Canadian environmentalist and diplomat.

Over the decades, WED has evolved into one of the most powerful tools for raising awareness and galvanizing global action on urgent environmental issues, ranging from plastic pollution and climate change to biodiversity loss and air quality deterioration. Recent data from UNEP and WHO reveals that over 7 million premature deaths occur globally each year due to air pollution, with the Asia-Pacific region being disproportionately affected.

In 2025, the focus of WED is on “Beat Plastic Pollution”, aligning with global efforts to address the mounting crisis caused by single-use plastics — one of the gravest threats to environmental and human health today.

Objectives of the Webinar:

This webinar aimed to:

1. **Promote Awareness:** Reinforce the global significance of World Environment Day and the collective responsibility to act against environmental degradation.
2. **Explore Legal Dimensions:** Examine existing constitutional mandates, environmental laws, and regulatory frameworks in India and globally that address plastic pollution.
3. **Integrate Interdisciplinary Perspectives:** Understand the interplay between Energy Law and Environmental Law, highlighting how legal tools can facilitate sustainable energy transitions.

Key Student Takeaways and Benefits:

The webinar offered significant academic and personal enrichment for participating students:

1. **Enhanced Environmental Sensitivity:** Students gained a deeper understanding of the intrinsic value of nature and the urgent need for ecological balance.
2. **Legal Literacy:** They explored key provisions of the Constitution of India (such as Articles 21, 48A, and 51A(g)), national statutes like the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, and global frameworks such as the Basel and Stockholm Conventions.
3. **Policy Insight:** The session provided clarity on contemporary policy initiatives, such as India's Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) regulations and recent amendments to plastic waste management rules.
4. **Critical Thinking:** Students were encouraged to critically analyze how legal systems can influence sustainable behaviour and corporate accountability in environmental protection.

 *Program Highlights:*

The **webinar** was successfully conducted on 5th June 2025 via the Google Meet platform, coinciding with the global celebration of World Environment Day. The event witnessed the enthusiastic participation of 100 attendees, including faculty members and students from Surendranath Law College.


The program commenced at 10:30 AM and continued until 11:30 AM. The session began with a warm welcome address by Debjani Ojha, Assistant Professor of Law, Surendranath Law College, who set the tone of the event by emphasizing the critical relevance of environmental discourse in contemporary legal education. She also extended a heartfelt welcome to the distinguished guest speaker, **Dr. Aneesh V. Pillai**, Associate Professor, School of Legal Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT), Kochi.

 **Keynote Lecture by Dr. Aneesh V. Pillai**

Dr. Pillai delivered a highly informative and engaging lecture on the topic:

“Beyond the Bin: Legal Frameworks for Tackling the Plastic Pollution Menace”

In his address, Dr. Pillai highlighted the pervasive environmental threat posed by plastic pollution, particularly in developing nations like India. He drew attention to the alarming rise of microplastics in oceans and soil, the long-term impacts on biodiversity and human health, and the growing ecological footprint of single-use plastics.

 Some key areas he covered include:

- Constitutional and legislative frameworks in India such as Article 21 (Right to Life), Article 48A (Protection of Environment), Article 51A(g) (Fundamental Duty), and laws like the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 (amended in 2021), and Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) guidelines.
- The role of judiciary in expanding the scope of environmental rights through public interest litigations (PILs) and landmark judgments promoting environmental protection.
- Global conventions such as the Basel Convention and UNEP's efforts in creating a legally binding agreement on plastic waste.
- The need for a circular economy, robust enforcement, and greater corporate accountability.
- Emphasis on behavioural change, community participation, and the role of legal education in shaping environmentally responsible citizens.

Dr. Pillai urged future legal professionals to think beyond punitive measures and explore preventive and participatory approaches to environmental regulation.

? Interactive Q&A Session


Following the lecture, the session transitioned into a vibrant interactive question-answer round, where students and faculty actively engaged with Dr. Pillai on issues such as:

- The effectiveness and gaps in India's current plastic waste regulation system.
- How legal tools can empower municipal authorities and grassroots movements.
- The scope for public interest litigation in addressing plastic pollution at local levels.

- The balance between industrial development and environmental protection.

Dr. Pillai patiently addressed each query, offering practical insights, recent examples from policy and case law, and encouraged students to explore the intersection of law, policy, and environmental ethics in their academic and professional journeys.

The webinar concluded on an inspiring note, with participants expressing a deeper appreciation for the legal dimensions of environmental challenges and a renewed motivation to contribute meaningfully to sustainable development and ecological justice.

 The webinar ends with a vote of thanks given by Debjani Ojha, Assistant Professor, Surendranath Law College.

This webinar not only commemorated a significant international day but also empowered future legal professionals to champion environmental justice, sustainability, and responsible governance.

 *Notice of the Program:*

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NOTICE

In view of celebrating the THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY, The ECO CLUB of Surendranath Law College is going to organize a webinar on 5th June' 2025 (Thursday) from 10:30 AM onwards via Google Meet/Zoom platform. On this occasion a special lecture will be delivered by **Dr. Aneesh V. Pillai**, Associate Professor, School of Legal Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi, on the topic – “Beyond the Bin: Legal Frameworks for Tackling the Plastic Pollution Menace”. All students are requested to participate and remain present in the above program. Link of the programme will be provided in the official WhatsApp groups in due time.

Debjani Ojha

DEBJANI OJHA
Assistant Professor of Law,
Convener – ECO CLUB,
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Dr. Mohammadi Tarannum

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Surenranath Law College

presents
WEBINAR On the Occasion of

Beyond the Bin: Legal Frameworks for Tackling the Plastic Pollution Menace



Organized by – ECO CLUB of Surenranath Law College

Key Speaker – Dr. Aneesh V. Pillai

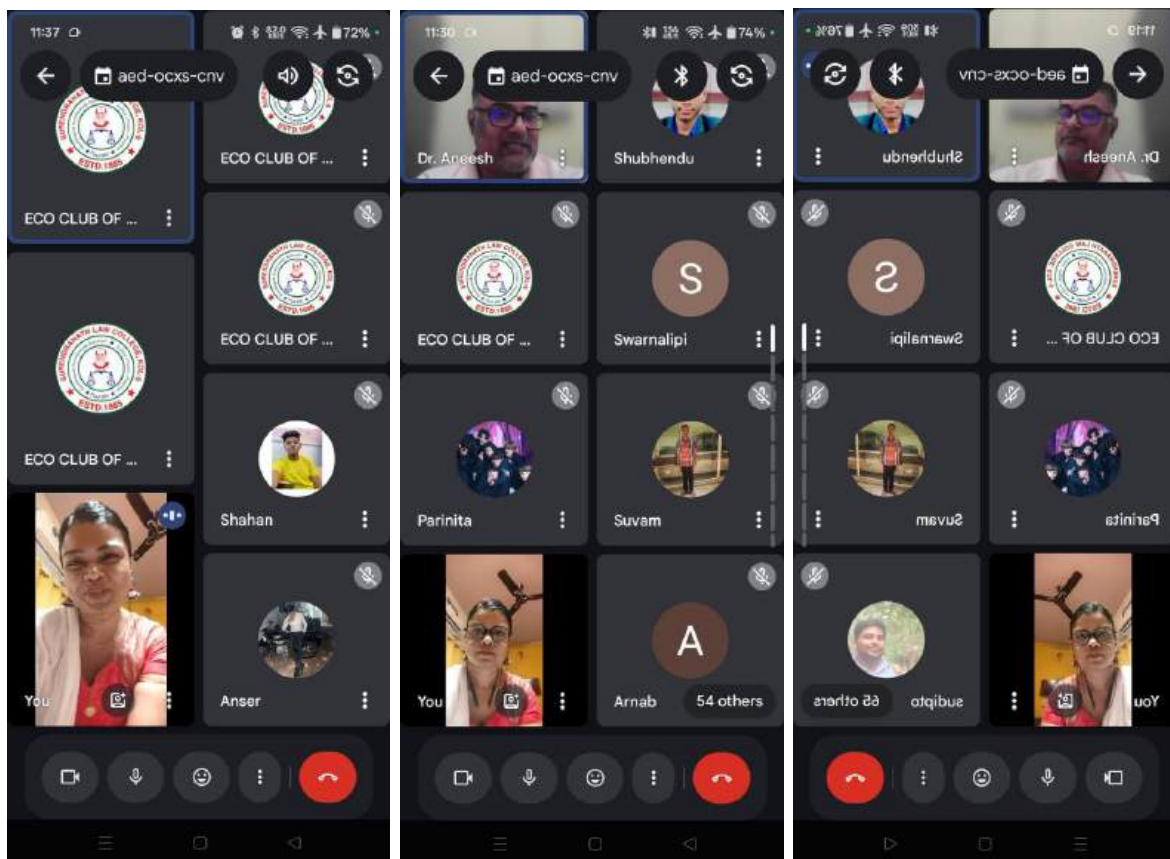
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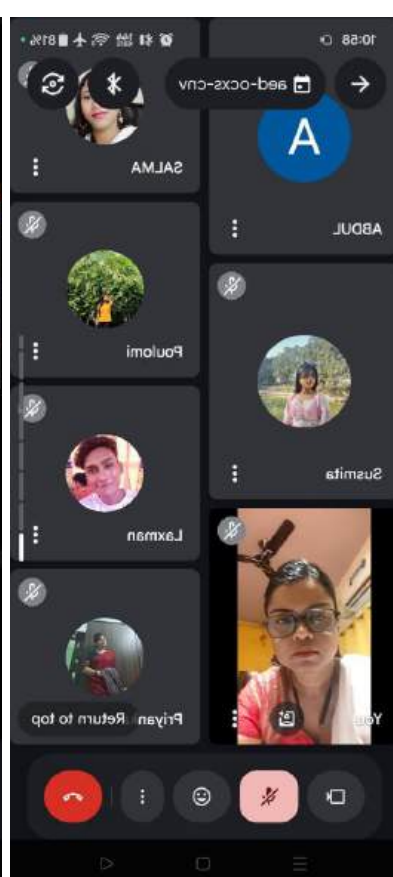
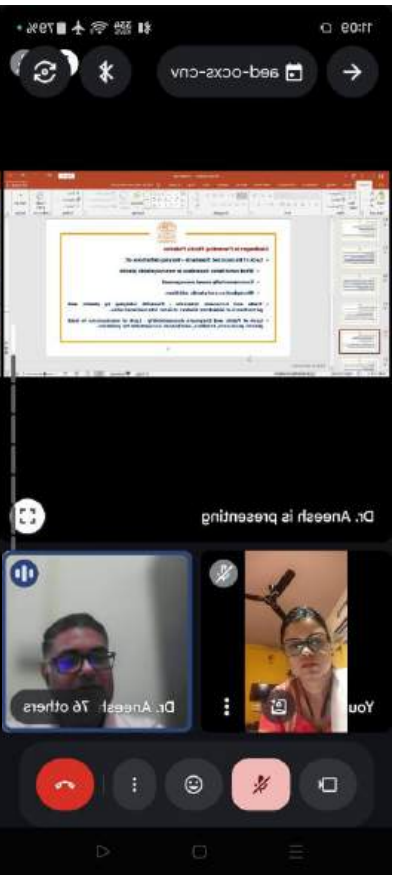
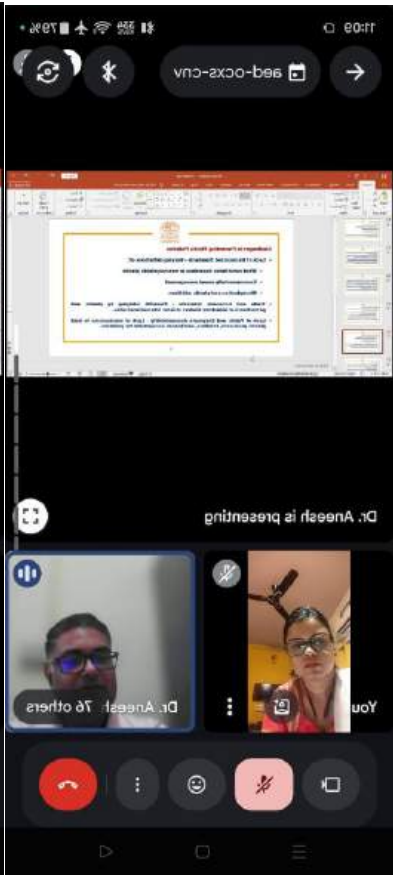
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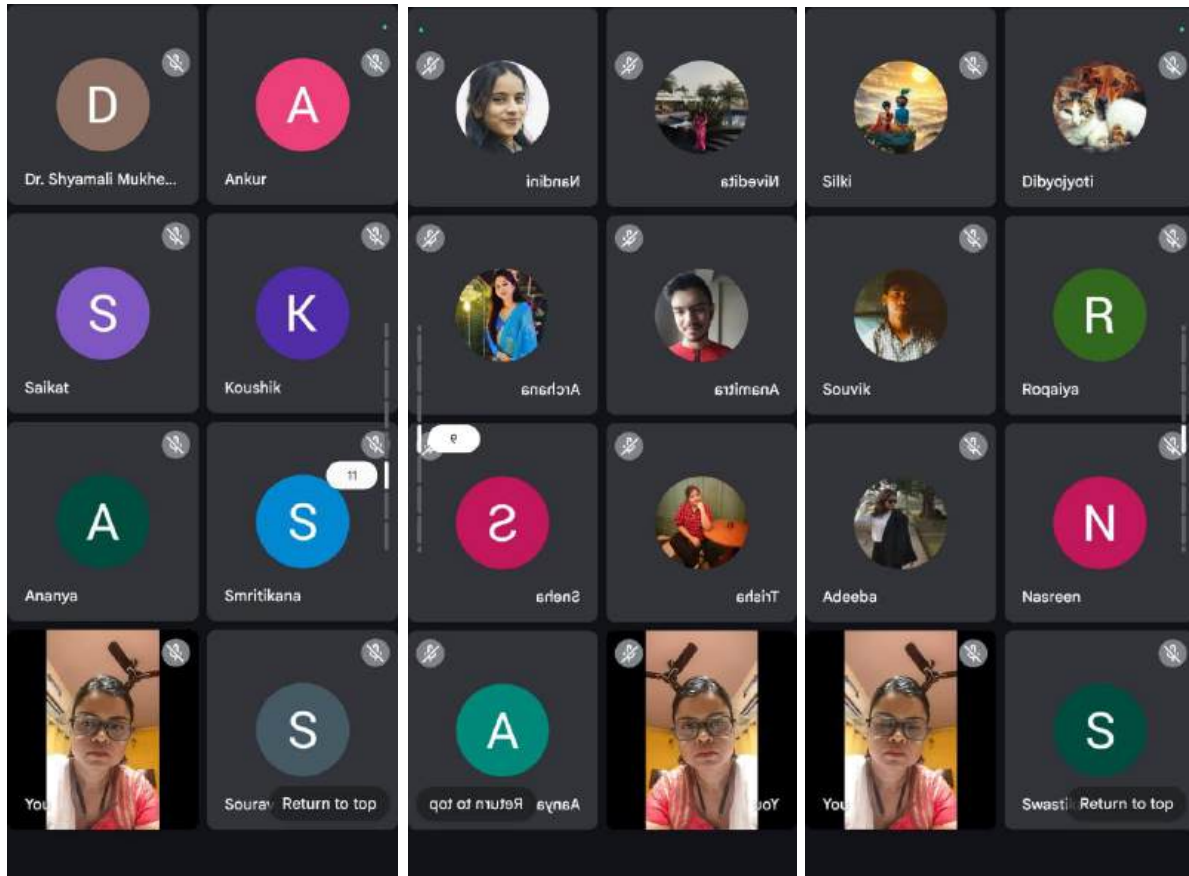
Time – 10:30 AM IST Onwards

Mode – Online

Glimpses of the Webinar:







 Attendance List (Collected via google-form):

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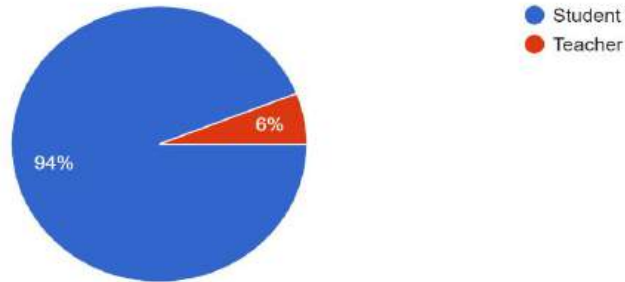
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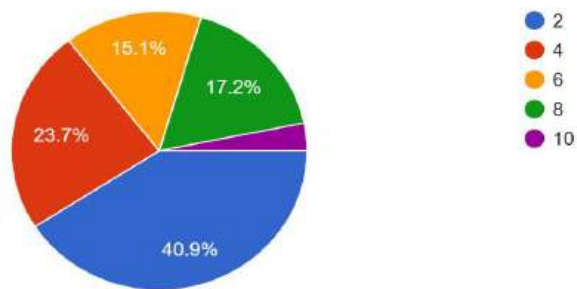
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100 responses





Semester of Student

93 responses



Participation Overview:

Date	 Total attendees	SC	ST	OBC & Minority	 Teachers Engaged
05.06.2025	100	31	4	20	6

Letter of Invitation and Appreciation:

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To

Dr. Aneesh V. Pillai,
Associate Professor, School of Legal Studies,
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Kochi – 682022, Kerala, India

Respected Sir,


Greetings from Surendranath Law College!

We take this great opportunity to inform you that the ECO CLUB of Surendranath Law College is going to celebrate The World Environment Day (5th June) on 05.06.2025 (Thursday) at our college. On this occasion we cordially invite you to deliver a lecture from 10:30 AM onwards on the topic “Beyond the Bin: Legal Frameworks for Tackling the Plastic Pollution Menace” via online platform, link of which will be shared before the programme.

We will be very grateful if you grace the occasion as the Guest of Honour and share your knowledge and insights. Your presence is highly solicited to make the event a grand success. We would be beholden for a line of confirmation which shall enable us to propel forward with the event.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours faithfully,



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To

Dr. Aneesh V. Pillai,
Associate Professor, School of Legal Studies,
Cochin University of Science and Technology,
Kochi – 682022, Kerala, India

Respected Sir,

We express our happiness and gratitude to you for delivering lecture on the *Topic- "Beyond the Bin: Legal Frameworks for Tackling the Plastic Pollution Menace"* in the event of The World Environment Day on 05.06.2025, from 10.30 AM onwards via online platform which was organized by ECO CLUB of Surendranath Law College, (University of Calcutta).

We look to your continuous support in this endeavour so that we can together contribute towards enriching education.

Thanking you once again for your support and guidance.

Yours faithfully,

Debjani Ojha

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