

PUNE DISTRICT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION'S
SETH GOVIND RAGHUNATH SABLE COLLEGE OF PHARMACY, SASWAD

Report on

One Step towards Green Path on the occasion of World Environment Day

Event Name: One Step towards Green Path

Date: 05/06/2026

Venue: Seminar Hall, SGRS college of pharmacy, Saswad

On the occasion of **World Environment Day**, the **Green Club** of the college organized a unique environmental initiative titled "**One Step Towards Green Path**". The activity was conducted with the objective of encouraging teaching and non-teaching staff members to reflect upon and share their individual contributions towards environmental conservation while inspiring others to adopt sustainable practices.

As part of this initiative, all staff members were invited to participate by sharing information through a Google Forms platform regarding the environmental conservation measures they had implemented in the past, the eco-friendly practices they are currently following, and the initiatives they intend to undertake in the future. Participants were also encouraged to suggest innovative ideas that could contribute to environmental protection and sustainable development. The responses were collected up to 4th June 2026.

On 5th **June 2026**, the collected responses were presented and discussed among the staff members as part of the World Environment Day celebration. The activity witnessed enthusiastic participation from both teaching and non-teaching staff, who actively shared their experiences, commitments, and practical approaches towards environmental conservation. The interactive discussion provided an excellent platform for exchanging ideas and motivating one another to adopt environmentally responsible practices in daily life.

The responses highlighted several appreciable initiatives already being practiced by the staff members. These included tree plantation and regular care of planted trees, conservation of water through responsible usage, reuse of filtered wastewater for washing clothes and utensils, utilization of washing machine wastewater for watering plants and trees, minimizing the use of plastic by opting for reusable steel and glass bottles and containers, carpooling to reduce fuel consumption and vehicular emissions, avoiding the bursting of crackers to minimize air and noise pollution, utilizing biodegradable kitchen waste as organic manure in farms and gardens, reducing the use of chemical fertilizers, protecting existing trees to preserve biodiversity, and minimizing paper consumption by promoting digitization of official work and documentation. These practices reflected the staff members' commitment towards creating a greener and more sustainable environment.

In addition to sharing their ongoing environmental practices, several participants proposed innovative ideas that can be implemented at both institutional and individual levels. The activity served as an excellent brainstorming platform, encouraging staff members to think beyond

routine practices and contribute meaningful suggestions for environmental sustainability. These innovative ideas have the potential to strengthen the Green Club's future initiatives and inspire wider participation in environmental conservation activities.

The initiative successfully reinforced the message that environmental conservation is a shared responsibility and that small, consistent efforts by every individual can collectively create a significant positive impact on society and the environment.

The activity was successfully coordinated by Ms. Ankita A. Javalkar under the valuable guidance of Principal, Dr. Rajashree S. Chavan. The program proved to be a meaningful and impactful initiative, fostering environmental awareness, promoting sustainable practices, and strengthening the collective commitment of the institution towards a greener future.

Innovative Ideas Suggested by Staff Members

1. Promote the use of cloth bags printed with the college name instead of plastic bags to reduce plastic waste and create awareness.
2. Install separate bins for plastic waste at different locations to encourage proper waste segregation and recycling.
3. Collect and reuse the condensed water generated in the chemistry laboratory (e.g., from condensers) for watering plants and gardening purposes.
4. Encourage each student to plant and take care of one tree as a part of environmental conservation.
5. Reuse discarded plastic bottles by converting them into bird feeders or water containers for birds.
6. Use cardboard and waste paper as mulch around trees to help retain soil moisture, suppress weed growth, and improve soil quality.
7. Generate biogas (flammable gas) from biodegradable wet waste
8. Prepare seed balls, develop a college nursery for raising saplings.
9. Prepare creative diaries and notebooks from used paper to promote the reuse of paper and reduce paper waste.
10. Implement an e-waste management system for the safe collection, segregation, and recycling of electronic waste generated on campus.
11. Reuse wastewater (where appropriate and safe) for gardening and landscape maintenance after suitable treatment.
12. Develop and maintain a Bonsai Garden on the college campus to promote biodiversity awareness and aesthetic landscaping.
13. Increase the number of gardeners for gardening activities to maintain a clean, green, and sustainable campus.





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