

# World Environment Day

5<sup>th</sup> June 2018

**World Environment Day:** 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018, World Environment Day was celebrated across all the campuses of Symbiosis International (Deemed University). Various activities like Poster making competitions, lectures, discussions and visit to Botanical garden were organised for staff and students.

## Poster Making Competitions:

On the occasion of World Environment Day, poster making competition was organised in the green turf at Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management (SIOM), Nashik. MBA students from 2018-20 batch participated in the competition, which was guided by the senior batch. 17 Posters were received in the competition. The posters portrayed strong message towards conserving the environment.



**Poster Making Competition**

## Visit to Botanical Garden:

In few institutes, the celebration became part of the Induction and orientation of batch 2018-20. Several green initiatives are carried out throughout the year on the campuses. Some of our campuses also host and maintain botanical gardens with variety of plant species.



**Students Visit to Botanical Garden**

## Meetings and Discussions:

Faculty and staff meetings were held to address the issues pertaining to the environment. The



key agenda was set up on how the institute can reduce its usage of plastic. This was directly in conformity with the theme this year “Plastic pollution”. There were a number of suggestions by the faculty and staff members such as use of steel or glass water bottles instead of plastic bottles, reduce and eventually ban use of plastic tiffin boxes, use of paper folders instead of plastic folders.

Other suggestions included ‘recycling and reusing’ as much as possible such as, using notepads made from one-side used paper, use of



newspaper to make paper bags, reduce the use of paper in daily activities and processes, use of environment gift certificates instead of other gifts during events and conferences, tree plantation drive in nearby areas, promote walking and cycling among students and staff to reduce carbon footprint, environmental audit of activities such as student festivals etc.

**Dr.(Retd.Col.) Romi Jindanai, Campus Administrator briefing students**

Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts (SSLA) resolved to ban disposable plastic bottles and cups at SSLA with effect from 6th June, 2018, and will no longer be using any of these even during conferences and other events at SSLA.