



**World Environment Day-2024**  
**Theme: Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience.**

On the vibrant occasion of World Environment Day 2024, students of CoE, Govt. College Sanjauli Shimla showcased their remarkable talents and commitment to environmental advocacy at an event organized by Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI) at Potterhills Summerhill, Shimla. The event, centered around the theme of "**Land Restoration, Desertification, and Drought Resilience**," witnessed enthusiastic participation from various educational institutions. A total of 03 colleges participated, with students displaying their talents and commitment to environmental causes through their performances and creations. Our college Skit Competition team was a highlight of the event, and showcasing their acting skills and creativity in portraying environmental problems. The skits addressed pressing issues such as "**Industrialisation, deforestation and their impacts on society and other organisms**", while also offering solutions and messages of hope. The performances were well-received by the audience, who appreciated the efforts of the students in delivering impactful messages through drama.





In the Poster Competition, students demonstrated their artistic abilities and visual storytelling to communicate environmental messages. The posters were vibrant and thought-provoking, capturing the attention of onlookers and conveying powerful messages about the need for environmental conservation and sustainable living practices. The Debate Competition provided a platform for students to engage in intellectual discourse on key environmental issues. Participants presented well-researched arguments and engaged in constructive debates on themes like Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience. The competition encouraged critical thinking and facilitated the exchange of diverse perspectives on pressing environmental challenges. The Slogan Writing Competition encouraged students to condense their thoughts and ideas into impactful phrases that could inspire action and raise awareness. The slogans were concise yet powerful, conveying messages of environmental stewardship, conservation, and the importance of sustainable lifestyles. Our college students won First prize in Skit, first prize in Poster (Arpita Vatshyan) and First (Kanika and Arpita Vatshyan) in Slogan Writing and First (Swapnil Suryan), Second (Anmol Sharma) and Third (Pariza and Sheetal) in debate competition respectively.

The World Environment Day celebration organized by HFRI Shimla and Colleges was a resounding success, thanks to the enthusiastic participation of college students in various competitions. Through skits, posters, debates, and slogans, students effectively communicated the importance of environmental conservation and inspired others to take action for a sustainable future. The event served as a reminder of the collective responsibility we bear towards protecting our planet and preserving its natural resources for future generations.

**Recommendations:** Building on the success of this event, it is recommended that similar initiatives be organized regularly to continue engaging and empowering youth in environmental conservation efforts. Collaborations with educational institutions, NGOs, and other stakeholders can further amplify the impact of such initiatives and contribute to a more sustainable and resilient future.

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