## SAPTHAGIRI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

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## PLASTIC FREE AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Plastic pollution is currently one of the biggest environmental concerns. The short-term benefits and convenience of plastic and plastic goods have led to a boom in the production and consumption of plastic. Plastic is a menace that impacts not the environment as well as our health and wellbeing. We have all contributed to this problem, knowingly and unknowingly and we must work to reduce and eliminate plastic pollution. Government has decided to take plastic ban as a national level campaign to address the environmental hazards being caused by the indiscriminate use of plastic. Educational institutions must lead this nation-wide endeavour. There is a need for educational institutions to actively contribute to the effort of banning the use of single use plastics. The awareness encourage universities to adopt policies and practices towards cleaner and plastic free campuses. Students and faculty must work towards this in mission mode. Usage of plastics should be stopped in canteens, shopping complexes in the institution's premises and hostels, etc. Students may not be permitted to bring non-biodegradable plastic items to the institution.

National Service Scheme (NSS Unit) of Sapthagiri College of Engineering organized a Plastic Awareness Campaign on $25^{\text {th }}$ September 2019. The campaign started at 10.30 am by our beloved Principal Dr. Ramakrishna H, Vice Principal Dr. M.H. Annaiah, HODs and faculty of various departments, NSS Program Officer Dr.Tulsidas D, with NSS volunteers of Sapthagiri College of Engineering, Bangalore. Firstly our Principal addressed the volunteers about the health and environmental issues in using the plastics in the daily life. Ensure presence of alternative solutions like cloth bags etc., to plastic bottles, covers and other goods on campuses. The volunteers Conducted events like poster designing with environment friendly goods to minimize the use of single use plastic.


Plastic Free Awareness speech by Principal and Vice Principal


Plastic Free Awareness rally in the campus,Chikkasandra Road and Hesaraghatta Main Road


Collection of Plastic Wastes in the Campus


Rally with Pluck cards of Plastic Free Awareness for local people


Group Photo with Principal, Hod's, Staff and NSS Volunteers

