

*Eco Club*  
*Govt. Hnahthial College*

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The Eco Club of Govt. Hnahthial College, which is established in 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, has been playing a vital role in ensuring the effective implementation of National Green Corps' Programme, which was launched in Mizoram in the year, 2002-03 with Mizoram Pollution Control Board as the State Nodal Agency (SNA). The Eco Club actively participates in motivating and undertaking environmental awareness programmes for the protection of environment.

On December 10, 2021, Mizoram Pollution Control Board, the State Nodal Agency under National Green Corps (NGC) Programme has made linkages/networking with 25 Colleges in Mizoram under the NGC programme, sponsored by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Govt. of India. The purpose of the networking is to take up green initiatives through College Eco-clubs by bringing about positive changes in the environmental attitudes among the students and the society at large. Under this initiative, Eco Club, Govt. Hnahthial College becomes a registered Eco-club with a registration number **NGC( C)/MIZ/19/05** (Vide No.H.88088/Poltn/85/2020 -MPCB/ : Dated Aizawl, the 10th December 2021).

Since its inception, various environmental related activities were performed by the Eco Club, some of which are:

1. **Awareness Campaign on Harmful Effects of Single Use Plastics:** The Programme was organized on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019 at the College Auditorium. Dr. K. Lalzuimawia had delivered a PowerPoint Presentation on 'Harmful Effects of Single Use Plastics' to the students of the College.

2. **Plantation of Trees:** Trees were planted at the College Campus on Green Mizoram Day, 2020 (11<sup>th</sup> June, 2020). Mass participation is not permitted due to Covid-19 pandemic. Hence, under the guidance of Dr. K. Lalzuimawia, i/c Ec-Club, only two students such as

Jeremy Zothankima and Lalhriatzela participated in this programme in which 11 seedlings of trees were planted.

**3. Tree Care Programme:** It was organised at the College Campus on 'World Environment Day', 2020 (05-06-2021) in which five students participated. The programme involved manuring of 26 number of Trees such as: Herhse-10, Bung – 1, Far – 10, Chengkek – 1, Thingthiang – 4

**4. Single Use Plastic Free Campaign:** In partnership with UD&PA Hnahthial, a programme named Single Use Plastic Free Campaign- A Drive to Make Hnahthial Single Use Plastic Free was organised *In celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of India's Independence ( Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav)* on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 at Hnahthial Town. The programme was expected to create public awareness on the importance of Single Use Plastic Free environment.

**5. Plantation of Trees:** Trees were planted at Leiruangtuam, Darzo in observance of Green Mizoram Day (11<sup>th</sup> June 2021). The Programme was organized in partnership with Darzo Village Council and Darzo Vengthar Branch YMA. This kind of collaborative work is envisioned to produce collective efforts towards environmental conservation at Darzo village, which is the adopted village of Govt. Hnahthial College.

**6. Erection of Eco-Garden Hoarding:** Eco-Garden Hoarding is erected at the Eco Garden at College Campus on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2021. The hoarding is expected to *contribute* significantly for achieving environmental targets.

**7. Nature Walk:** The Eco Club, Govt. Hnahthial College, in partnership with Eco Club, Govt. Sawikunga High School, Darzo organized 'Nature Walk' at Darzo Tlang & Tlangpui, Darzo in which 15 students from the two Eco Clubs participated. It was organized on 21.12.2021 to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of India's Independence (*Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*). The programme was funded by Mizoram State Pollution Control Board.

**8. Awareness Campaign on Single Use Plastics:** The Programme was organised by Mizoram Pollution Control Board (State Nodal Agency for SAP), Mizoram, Eco Club, Govt. Hnahthial College & Association for Voluntary Blood Donation, Hnahthial Branch on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2022 at Community Hall, Electric Veng, Hnahthial. Dr. K.Lalzuimawia, Green Teacher i/c Eco Club, Govt. Hnahthial College was invited as Resource Person. The programme was attended by 70 persons, representing various stakeholders such as members of Association for Voluntary Blood Donation, Hnahthial Branch and representatives of 8 (eight) branches of Young Mizo Association within Hnahthial Town.

9. On 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2022, in collaboration with Mizoram Pollution Control Board (State Nodal Agency for SAP), Mizoram, & YMA Darzo Vengthar Branch, Single Use Plastic Free Awareness Campaign hoarding was made at Pi Sawmi Lungpui Viewpoint, Darzo and waste segregation dustbins were put at Darzo Tlang, a hill station in Hnahthial district.

**10. Single Use Plastic Free Campaign:** The Programme was jointly organised by Eco Club, GHC and UD&PA Hnahthial on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2022, in Hnahthial Town (Electric Veng to

Chanmari). The cleaning of littered single use plastics along the roads and drains by Eco Club volunteers is expected to inspire local people towards working together to make the environment Single Use Plastic Free.

11. **Cleanliness Drive:** The Programme is jointly organised by Eco Club, GHC and UD&PA Hnahthial in observance of the 'Earth Day' on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022 at the College Campus. Under this Cleanliness Drive, Single Use Plastics scattered along the roadside, College Campus and the surroundings of a natural water body called Sipai Tuikhur were pick-up and removed to the Community Dumping site.

Besides these, the Eco Club is planning to organise two programmes such as '*Nature Camp*' at Darzo Tlang and *Workshop on Waste Composting and Organic Eco-Gardening which will be funded by* Mizoram Pollution Control Board under EEP 2022-2023 within the financial year of 2022-2023.