

Detailed Report

Activity- “Environmental Degradation and Climate Change Awareness Meeting”

Scheme- Environment

Organized by- Civil Engineering Department

Raising awareness and thereby understanding of the effects of climate change on health will facilitate both behavioural change and societal support for the actions needed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. It can also help in getting health-care professionals to support strategies for mitigation and adaptation that will both improve health and reduce vulnerability. Our government is implementing a broad range of activities on climate change and health. They include advocacy campaigns and multimedia products addressing both policy-makers and the general public; a comprehensive set of policy briefs, guidance, tools and training manuals; and engagement in climate fora to raise the prominence of health issues on the climate agenda. “**Environmental Degradation and Climate Change Awareness Meeting**” with 86 participants was held to discuss the following agenda-

Meeting Agenda

- To keep global warming below 1.5°C this century, we must halve annual greenhouse gas emissions by 2030. Without action, exposure to air pollution beyond safe guidelines will increase by 50 per cent within the decade and plastic waste flowing into aquatic ecosystems will nearly triple by 2040. We need urgent action to address these pressing issues and make the environment of the institution and its neighbourhood as much pollution-free as possible.
- Despite all our technological advances we are completely dependent on healthy and vibrant ecosystems for our water, food, medicines, clothes, fuel, shelter and energy, just to name a few. This involves respecting, protecting, and repairing our biological wealth.
- Biological diversity is often understood in terms of the wide variety of plants, animals and microorganisms, but it also includes genetic differences within each species and the variety of ecosystems that host multiple kind of interactions among their members (humans, plants, animals). So, ultimately humans will be at a disadvantage if these issues are not taken care of.



