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Press Release

JMI celebrates Earth Day: Students and Faculty took Pledge to minimize use of Plastics in day to day life

Earth Day was celebrated at various departments and schools of Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) on 22nd April, 2024. As part of the celebration at the Department of Economics, JMI the Subject Association of the department organized a series of talks by the faculty members on Earth Day. A poster competition was also held in the model class room of the Department. The event was enthusiastically attended by students of B.A. (Hons) Economics, M.A. Economics, MSc Banking and Financial Analytics and B.A programme of JMI.

The Earth Day Celebration was kick started with a key address by Prof. Asheref Illiyan, Head, Department of Economics, JMI. He informed the audience that Earth Day is celebrated every year on 22nd April to create awareness on environmental issues surrounding the planet. He narrated the genesis and progress of Earth Day Celebration in the world.

Every year the Earth day is celebrated on different themes related to environmental issues. This year the theme of the Earth Day celebration is "Planet Versus Plastics", highlighting the urgent need to eliminate plastics from our planet which have disastrous environmental consequences on the environment. End of this year, the UN is supposed to come out with a plastic ban treaty that will stipulate 60 percentage reductions in plastic production in the world by 2040. Students and faculty impressed upon their commitment to minimize the use of plastics in everyday life.

Dr. Vasim Akram, Dr. Md. Zakaria Siddiqui, Dr.Md Kashif and Dr. Shadab Khan, faculty members of the Department who spoke in the event, highlighted the adverse implications of pressing economic goals without giving due regard to ecological and social sustainability. The programme was concluded with a poster making competition by the participants. The winners of the poster making competition are: First Prize: Ms Hissa M Naqvin and Maryam Khan (B. A. Hons. IV semester), second prize: Aliza Fatima and Syed Adeeba (B. A. Hons. IV semester), third prize: Md Dilshad (B. A. Hons. IV semester) and consolation prize was awarded to Manahil Arif, MSc BFA II Semester) and Abid Raza Kazmi (B. A. Hons. VI semester).

Earth Day was also celebrated at various schools of JMI. Tiny tots of Mushir Fatma Nursery School participated in an event where they displayed different posters created by them and their teachers to highlight the significance of this day. Events were also organized at Jamia Middle School and Jamia Senior Secondary School to create awareness about the protection of environment, forest conservation and importance of the Earth Day.

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