

## Earth Day at IIT Mandi

The First “**Earth Day**” was celebrated on 22<sup>nd</sup> April evening and 23<sup>rd</sup> April for the whole day.

On 22<sup>nd</sup> April evening, there was an art competition open for all residents of IIT campus, the theme being,- “**SAVE OUR MOTHER EARTH**”.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> April morning, we had “**Cleanliness Drive**” in our campus. The NSS team, students, faculties along with few kids and staffs were present in the event headed by Prof. Bhavendra Paul.



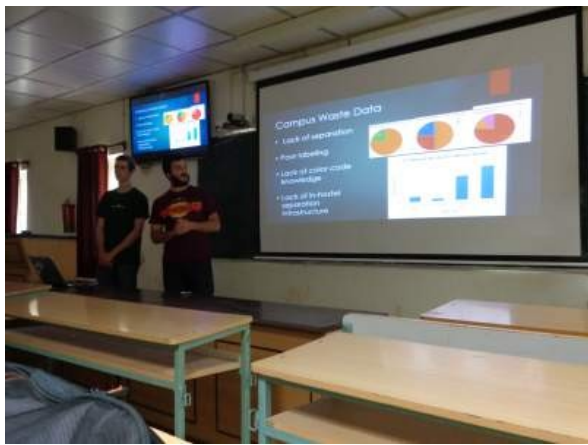
A van was arranged for transporting all accumulated garbages to Mandi. The garbages consisted of non-biodegradable wastes only as the biodegradable wastes being now vermicomposted in our campus – a way of natural recycling.

The cleanliness drive continued for 3 hours and accomplished with great success as all residents of the campus co-operated and encouraged the event.



Towards the end of the day, there was open exhibition of all the art works created a day before.

At the fag end of the day, there were three talks along with presentations on - “Solid waste Management”, “Rainwater Harvesting” and “Waste Management in campus”.







After the end of the programme, there were refreshments served in porcelain utensils - A step towards avoidance of paper cups and plates usage.