

BEST PRACTICE

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BEFRIENDING BIRDS – BIRD FEEDERS

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NAME OF THE DEPARTMENTS INVOLVED:

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS AND DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

TITLE OF THE PRACTICE : Befriending Birds - Bird Feeders

DATE OF THE START : SEPTEMBER, 2021

OBJECTIVES OF THE PRACTICE :

- ❖ To provide water and food for the birds, especially during summers.
- ❖ To make our surroundings bird friendly and support their lives and propagation.
- ❖ Birds sometimes bring seeds of variety of flora and fauna which gets propagated at our land.
- ❖ Enabling students to view a variety of birds, study ornithology closely and also to encourage them imbibe methods for co-habiting with birds.

THE CONTEXT :

In earlier days, we could see morning sky filled with flight of variety of birds and sometimes murmurations. But now-a-days we see much less number of birds around us and some are already on the threshold of extinction. The extreme heat and scarcity of water during summers can be a death blow to birds. We see many types of birds, animals, reptiles struggling for water. Hence, everyone can strive to support their survival through this simple practice.

THE PRACTICE :

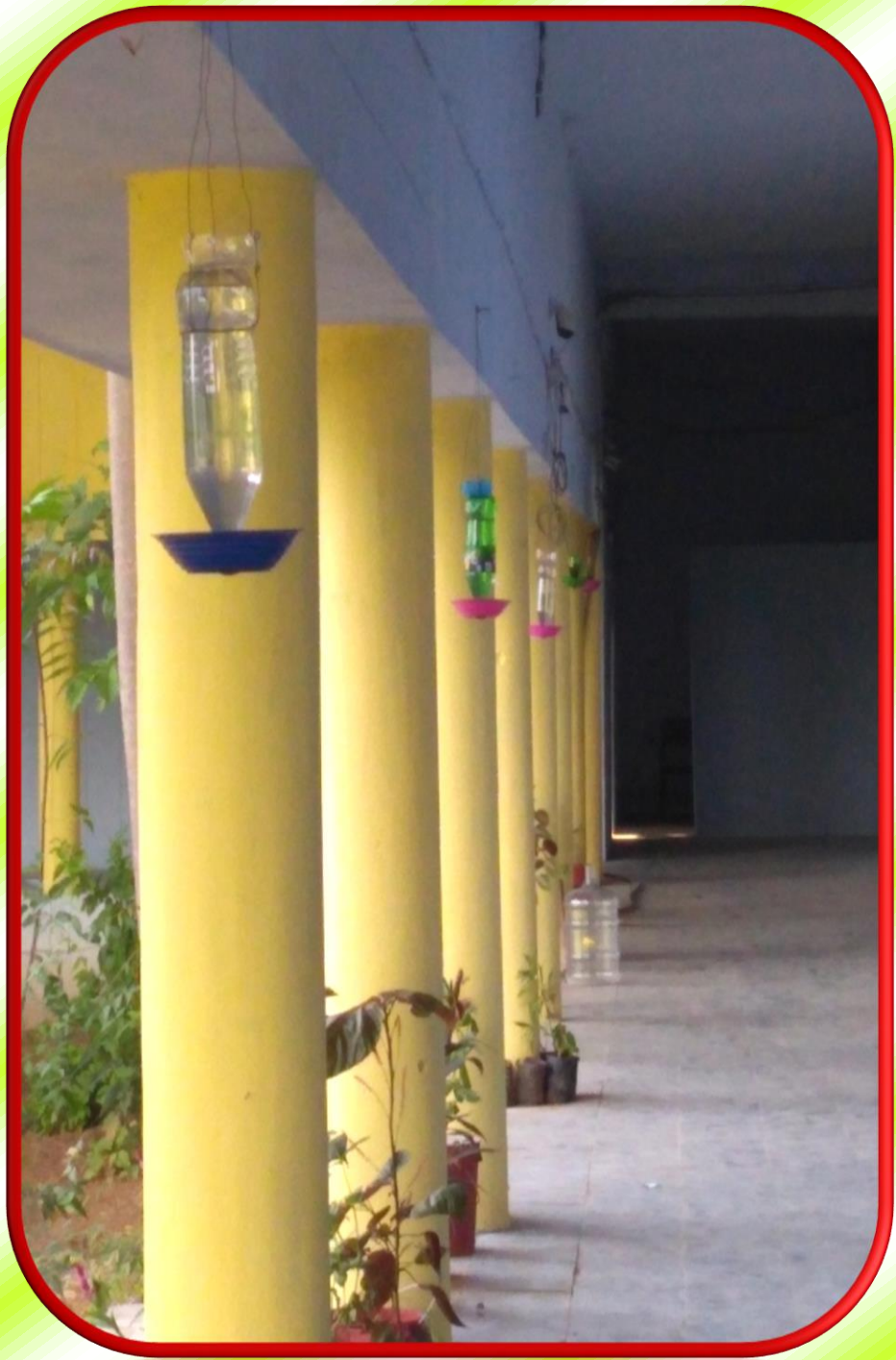
Bird Feeders are prepared using thrown away water bottles by our student and are hung from the ceiling of the verandah. Students are encouraged to care for the birds and watch the water levels and fodder.

Those interested participate voluntarily or the college Principal and staff supervises and involves themselves to clean the water bottles periodically, fill fresh water and provide fodder for the birds.

EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS:

This practice is not only being appreciated by whoever is visiting the college but many visitors, students and nearby colleges also adopted this practice and are placing a mug or a bowl with water and fodder separately for the birds. Many reported birds staying at their houses and building nests in the premises, thus the objective of cohabitation being realised. Our local Circle Inspector of Police, installed one bird feeder in their police station. Other colleges in the district like GDC Bellampalli, GDC Luxettipet have also started this practice. Colleges of other districts like GDC Jadcherla also got inspired and have improvised the practice to a better extent. Some of our departments are feeding squirrels and could make them enter our class rooms and play around without any fear. Even if one in ten houses adopts this practice then the support extended to birds especially sparrows can become appreciable.

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED : NIL





Material used: Waste water bottles, plates, screws, glue, wire , mud for some feeders to grow small scrubs.

These bottles are collected by our final year MPCs Students and they are crafted by our final year MPCs student Chende Rajesh free of cost using simple tools and mechanis. The students themselves drilled holes into the walls as well and hung them using wires.

