



## St. Mary's Convent Jhajjar

We have 'started somewhere hoping to do more'.

1. The community has made a good study of the 7 Laudato Si goals. We have understood more deeply the significance and relationship between 'the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor'. This will help us to plan and implement more relevant actions in the coming days.
2. The community has started a policy of using recycled cloth bags for grocery shopping to reduce the use of single use polythene bags. The vegetable vendors in our small locality have begun to ask why the sisters are doing this.
3. The school has launched a JPIC club, ECO-FRIENDS on 11<sup>th</sup> August which will engage with Laudato Si themes at children's level. The objectives, values and way of proceeding of the club

focus on instilling character and competence needed to promote Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation. They have planted a few saplings in the school campus with a view to promote bio-diversity.

The club is taking forward the idea of recycled cloth bag for grocery shopping.

4. We have planned to observe the Season of Creation from 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. to 4<sup>th</sup> October meaningfully.



M. Mariella CJ

## Nirmala convent, Jhansi.

### Mary Ward Family living Laudato Si' 7-year action plan

We the sisters, staff and the students have decided to make an effort to live the 7 Laudato Si' Goals. We are finding ways of living them in our community as well as in our school. In the school we have formed JPIC Club of 61 students and 6 teachers. First of all, they are being given the awareness of Laudato Si seven goals. They have been motivated to actively take part in carrying out these goals wherever they are.

We have resolved to delve deeper into Laudato Si' Goal 1 – “Response to the Cry of the earth “. The possible actions:

1. Adopting more use of solar energy.
2. Encourage zero wasting.
3. Ban use of plastics.
4. Repairing instead of throwing away.
5. Getting children to plant their own garden.
6. Reforestation.

The members of the JPIC Club conducted an assembly as to introduce to the whole school the Laudato Si' 7 Goals. They pledged together that they will ban the use of plastics in the school and at home. The leaders of the JPIC club went to every class and introduced the importance of give away the use of plastic items in their daily lives. Many of them took initiative to plant their own garden. Many saplings have been planted in order to take care of the earth. The community and the school have decided to carry forward the above mentioned six possible action plans with great enthusiasm and readiness. The following pictures and photos describe the activities.



## St. Mary's Convent, Nainital

A new JPIC Magnet Club is now introduced in the school with both teachers and students as Co-ordinators. Prayer assemblies, drawing and painting were conducted for the students on the themes of Human trafficking, Youth Day and Gender equality. We also conducted few webinars for the JPIC Magnet Club members.

We have been reading as a community the Laudato Si 7-year action plan on care of common home. The teachers and students were given the water audit google form to become aware of the daily consumption of water.

As part of the activity, we have now started a Herbal Garden in our Campus. Teachers, Sisters and students together planted various types of medicinal plants.



- The use of plastic is completely banned in the campus.
- We adopt the use of renewable energy, specially use of solar panel
- The JPIC Club members now conduct assemblies on special UN events.

- Ration kits consisting of Rice, wheat flour, pulses, oil, sugar, tealeaves, soap and detergent powder were distributed to those finding



difficult to meet both ends, due to the Corona Pandemic. This work of charity will be continued all the more during these difficult times

- A Prayer assembly on peace was conducted on 29th August by the JPIC Magnet Club SMC Ramnee, for sisters, teachers and students from COIN. We were happy to have Sr. Elsy our provincial Superior, Srs. Adina and Pauline, the International JPIC Coordinators from Rome, Mrs. Kawaljeet, (the national coordinator) as well as teachers and students from Loreto schools.



## **Maria Bhawan Community, Mauranipur**

### **Action plan for Laudato Si 7 goals**

- make use of maximum solar energy for our daily need
- complete ban of using plastic in the hospital
- conscious and spare use of water and electricity
- formation of JPIC club in the village
- make use of our talents and skills for the wellbeing of the patients by giving health education etc
- promote natural cool and soft drinks
- avoid window shopping to restrain from buying unnecessary things
- create gratefulness in the minds of our youth and co-workers for God and mother earth
- maintain the existing kitchen garden
- rejuvenate our spirit on mother earth by conducting an hour of prayer every month



## **Mauranipur, School Community**

- Planting saplings
- Awareness programs in the villages (empowerment of women, street plays, songs, rallies, etc.)
- Students are given the awareness of saving water, electricity and keeping the environment neat and clean
- Helping the weak students and children of our co-workers



## St. Francis Convent, Jhansi

The aim of the association, JPIC is the promotion of values of justice, peace and integrity of creation and for this purpose the JPIC members planned to create awareness in people about unethical practices which dehumanize the world. Under the guidance of JPIC coordinators, Ms. Rekha Singh, Ms. Caroline Gehlot and Ms. Mona Handa the JPIC student members conducted two virtual assemblies in the months of July and August. The very first assembly intended to bring home to people the inhuman practice of human trafficking. This assembly commenced with JPIC prayer and hymn. To create awareness among the students, an explanatory poem depicting the pain of those who were affected both physically and mentally was displayed on the screen. The girls highlighted some real incidents of human trafficking and encouraged others to raise their voice against this crime.



### **The report of the 7 year plan of Mary Ward Family living Laudato Si' from SFC community**

**“Compassionate action emerges from the sense of openness, connectedness and discernment you have created in your community”.** The SFC community here in Jhansi came together weekly, after personal reading and reflection of the 7 year plans, to discuss, share and discern about what we as individuals and as a community can contribute to the promotion of JPIC. Given below are the possible action plans we came up with.

#### **Goal 1: Response to the cry of the Earth**

The actions we proposed as a community:

- Use of water sparingly and Make use of the solar energy as much as possible
- Paper re-cycling (we have a plant in our school and we will make use of it more). To give out our plastic bottles for re-cycling outside.
- Encourage children to plant their own garden in their homes.

#### **Goal 2: Response to the cry of the Poor**

- Community will continue to sponsor poor children for their education.
- We will continue to take forward our evening school.
- Motivate our students to reach out to the poor/ introduce a poor child to a class and encourage the students of that class to educate the child. (They will be able to sponsor clothes, stationery etc.)
- We will visit the poor out houses of the railways and slums possible as soon as the pandemic goes down.

#### **Goal 3: Ecological Economics**

- Digitalizing the newsletters and other information in order to reduce the use of paper.
- We are already having a kitchen garden. But we will use more of local seeds.
- Use more of the re-cycled papers for creative items rather than buying them.
- We will plan out and try to combine the shopping so that the use of fuel is reduced.

- Support fair-trade - shopping from poor vendors.
- We will discuss about the possibility of using solar energy for lights and fans.
- We will try to boycott exploiting brands.

#### **Goal 4: Adoption of simple lifestyles**

- Educating ourselves
- We will discuss about food sharing with FMW/JPIC, Simple food, no wastage of food

#### **Goal 5: Ecological education**

- POCSO is already functional in our school.
- An awareness orientation program for JPIC members and the entire staff. (Conducted)
- We include 'creation spirituality' into our prayers and recollections.
- Encouraging children to create flower garden in our compound. We will provide plants and space.

#### **Goal 6: Ecological spirituality**

- Create compost pit using dry leaves, water etc.
- Vegetable garden in sacks and bags/ making use of them
- Make paper bags involving children and distribute them to shops.
- We will have potted plants inside for decoration purpose rather than using plastic flowers.

#### **Goal 7: Emphasis on community involvement and participatory action**

Proposed actions:

- Clean up the surroundings/locality removing plastic etc.

Collect all the plastic into a big bin and once this is full ask the MCD to take it away.

### **St. Anthony's Convent Jeolikote**

Each one in the community tries to understand the true meaning of Laudato Si. We try to imbibe the values of JPIC. The world is our common home and we all are brothers and sisters. We respect our mother earth. During these 3years experience of JPIC we tried to do many activities in our community in order to keep up the spirit of JPIC.

We tried to make fertilizers with Kitchen waste, we planted medicinal plants like Tulsi, clove etc. thus to make a herbal garden, we planted tree saplings in our land and in nearby forest. We made awareness among the children about JPIC and grow in the spirit of the same.

We take keen interest in knowing what is happening around the world by reading Newspapers, magazines and watching the news in the TV and You Tube, try to feel for them and pray for them very specially.

Helping the poor is equal to serving God. We do not miss any chance we get to help the poor. Our one aim is "let no one in the nearby villages go to sleep with empty stomach". During Lockdown we helped 42 families in Bana and Mona Villages where people live in utter poverty. These are the villages in the middle of the forest where people reached rarely to help them, since there is no connecting road. We did not forget our nearby villages in Jeolikote. Around 50 families are helped with ration.

We also learned to use water and electricity conscientiously. We as a community try to practice the same in the coming years.

Keeping in mind this scenario we decided to lend a helping hand to heal the world. Therefore, we decided to do the following.

1. Planting trees
2. Make fertilizers using kitchen waste
3. Use water and electricity conscientiously.
4. On Sundays spend more time to pray, rest, relax and get more connected with people and nature around.

As part of our action plan, we decided to plant various kinds of saplings, make fertilizers with kitchen waste and nurture the plants with water and manure.



### **The school activities**

JPIC has made a ripple in the Junior school for more than 21/2years. From then we did not look back. The students, teachers and sisters together took the movement forward. Jeolikote is a small town. It needed an awakening in the area of cleanliness.

So we took time off on special days like 26th Jan., 15th Aug and 2nd Oct to keep the students together and spent time to clean the school compound, playground and the main road etc. The students were taught to make paper bags and students and teachers together went to the town, distributed it in the shops and requested them to stop using polybags. On a particular day i.e., 2nd Oct. the students painted the wall facing the road with environment related themes. e.g. – save water, plant trees etc.

During annual cultural program we conducted a “mock parliament” where the students debated on eco – friendly themes like de-forestation, waste – management, monkey menace the hazards of using poly bag etc. After the debate the Chief Guest – the main Forest Officer of Kumaon region addressed the students. He was thoroughly impressed by their performance and inspired them to be agents of social change. In turn the students took oath to take care and protect the environment in their own places by planting saplings, cleaning the by lane which is used by many to say ‘No’ to poly bags and effectively use the kitchen – waste etc. Later we invited a guest lecturer Mr. Suyal who explained to the student body how to make a compost – pit and make organic manure and nurture a kitchen – even a flower garden in their own homes, villages etc.

Drawing competitions were held on themes related to ecology.

In the month of Dec., the students usually engage themselves in various activities, like carol singing, crib making, decoration of Christmas tree, making Christmas greeting cards etc. The students often went to the nearby forest and cut trees for one thing or another. Then we instructed the students to bring small saplings. A good number of flower pots with saplings arrived during the course of the week. When these saplings turned plants after 2 years we transplanted in our compound. We also inspired them to plant saplings on their birth days in their homes and neighbourhood.



Another area we took care of was when we made a concerted effort to reach out to those students who are poor. This school runs for those who are economically poor. So, it is our endeavour to take along one and all. All those who have no proper dress with the help of the well – wishers we buy/bought for them new dress including shoes. Exercise copies, 2nd hand text books are collected and distributed.

We also rope in some of our ex-students and parents who can afford to sponsor some of our students' studies. We also daily go to each class and collect the "widow's mite" and at the end of the year to use it to pay the fees. In a large way the students are conscientized to create a good environment and help the poor.

## Shahbad Community

We as a community reflected and meditated on the seven goals of Laudato Si and decided to



inculcate some action plans in our daily life. As we have a small garden in our compound, we plant many vegetables for our daily use. Sr. Anita with her creativity tried to make manure with the kitchen waste which is very useful for our garden and flowerpots. We bring more awareness to our students about the environment through various lessons we take in the class.

We encourage them to plant more trees and to care for the environment. As part of Laudato Si action plan we remind each other to be careful in the use of water and electricity. In the Gospel Jesus says, “When I was sick and you visited me.” We as community visited a lady, Mrs. Vandana who is suffering from Cancer. She is just 42 years old and advanced in cancer. We spend some time along with her, praying for her healing. After talking to her we realised how deep is her faith in God and Mother Mary. She believes that she would experience God’s healing power. Our presence brought joy and happiness in her life.

## Mayur Vihar Community

The JPIC club was inaugurated in St. Mary’s Sr. Sec. School, Mayur Vihar Phase-3, Delhi on 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021 under the able guidance of our Principal Sr. Merlin CJ and our JPIC facilitator Sr. Tomsy CJ. At present, the club has twenty five students from different classes guided by six teachers from the primary, middle and the senior wing.

With the guidelines given by Sr. Manjusha CJ, Sr. Deepti CJ and Sr. Neha CSJ, teachers were trained and guided for the movement. Sr. Merlin motivated the students to be a part of the movement and extended her full support to the students and teachers in carrying out the movement.

Students were informed about the vision of the JPIC Movement i.e. ‘All creation will be cared for’ and its mission ‘Each one will bring awareness and inspire others to do so.’ Students were also made aware of the various SDG goals, especially laying stress on Gender Equality and the importance to have water audits. They were also introduced to ‘Laudato Si ‘–to respond to the cry of Mother Earth’ and the JPIC prayer and song.

Prior to the formation of the club various activities were being conducted in the school to protect our earth and keeping the environment clean and green. Earth Day was celebrated this year too with great enthusiasm. An assembly was conducted to bring awareness among the students and various activities were held.

As ‘World Day against Trafficking in persons’ was observed on 30<sup>th</sup> of July, students of the club were asked to make posters. For the month of August, students were given an ‘Upcycling’ activity where they were to find ways as to how they could reuse old things and create something new.

JPIC members also celebrated The International Youth Day on 12<sup>th</sup> August. Students became aware of the Five R’s i.e. Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose and Recycle. We at St. Mary’s stress on Reuse and actively participated in the ‘Upcycling’ activity. Students in the group used their creativity to convert waste into productive and useful things.



A discussion was initiated to create awareness on the importance of Peace and Human Rights on the topic 'Human Rights in Afghanistan' on 27th August. Students actively participated in the discussion and shared their views on the topic. It was indeed a fruitful interaction.

To instil the need and importance of Peace and prayer among the students, the peace prayer is recited every day at the end of the online classes. Teachers and students are all ready to put in their best to adopt JPIC as a way of life and also inspire others to do the same.

## St. Joseph's, Puranpur

On 9th July 2021, St. Joseph's School for the first time formed the JPIC club with 2 teachers, Sir Ronald and Mrs. Vandana, and 10 students from classes 6 to 8. We had two meetings of the JPIC club wherein the students were explained what is JPIC and the importance of taking care of the environment. The staff planted 20 saplings in the school premises.



Students put up a meaningful prayer assembly on International Youth Day. The JPIC co-coordinators and student members are regular in attending the JPIC webinar. Slowly and gradually JPIC is becoming alive and active in the school. Sisters



take care of the plants by watering and removing weeds which adds beauty and neatness to our campus.

Decomposed liquid waste is made out of vegetable and fruit peels, which are used as manure for vegetables and flower garden. We avoid the use of plastic bags while shopping and make use of cloth bags or jute bags. We also use the electricity and water sparingly.

Sr. Amita

## Mount St. Mary's, Lalpur

On 11th July 2021 our teachers were initiated into JPIC for the first time. The resource person Mrs. Kawaljeet Kaur and Mrs. Sanchayita Dey conducted the webinar so well and explained the 17 SDG goals both in Hindi and English which made things very clear to our teachers. They were very happy to know about such a movement. To make things clearer to our teachers we requested Srs. Manjusha and Deepti to conduct a seminar for them on 25th July. The teachers were explained elaborately about what is JPIC, the vision and mission and the SDG goals.



How these 17 goals could be used to bring about changes in our education system and on the life of our students was explained. We formed the JPIC club consisting of 4 teachers and 6 students on 6th August 2021. Ms. Rashmi and Mrs. Preeti Joshi explained to the students about JPIC and its goals.

It was decided upon to conduct some competitions based on the 17 SDGs. Class 6 had speech competitions on the topics: The 3 R s and Swatch Bharat Abhiyan, class 5 had poster making on Safety measures against Corona and Class 4 had slogan competition on Gender equality. The students showed great interest by participating in it.

The Teacher coordinators and the students were privileged to attend the JPIC for all our schools in different places on 7th August, 2021. As the students were new to it, they were very excited to attend it and their response was very positive. They were able to pick up the good that is being done even by small children in the society and were encouraged to do the same.



Since JPIC is in its beginning stage here we are working hard to implement the different activities suggested by the core group.

Sr. Rayna

## Jesu Bhawan, Delhi

As part of our JPIC action plan we studied the 7 Laudato Si goals and the community proposed the following:

- The use of cloth bags for bringing vegetables and fruits from the market to be continued as this was one of our practices here.
- Solar power energy to be used more.
- We had been using the peels from the kitchen, changing them into liquid manure for the plants so we decided to continue the same.
- As we have migrant workers around the place, we decided to visit them and talk to them and call the children for few hours of classes.
- Attend any webinar on JPIC when organised by the province so that we are in solidarity with what is happening around us and take them into our prayer.
- Nurturing the herbal garden that was prepared in 2020.

