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Name of the Event: Yamuna Khadar Visit

Organised by: Project Mehr

Date of the Event: 11th February 2024

Duration/Event Timing: 3:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Venue of the Event: Yamuna Bank

Name of Coordinator(s): Siddhant Baliyan, Riddhi Rastogi, Ishika Singh

Name of Convener: Ms. Alka Kacker

Event Description (About 250 Words):

On 11th Feb, our team visited Yamuna Khadar as part of Project Mehr to document the pressing issue of floral waste along the banks of the Yamuna River. We aimed to capture visual evidence of the environmental challenges posed by this waste while engaging with local residents to understand their experiences and contributions to the issue. Upon arrival, we observed significant amounts of floral waste, primarily from religious offerings, accumulating along the riverbank. This not only tarnishes the natural beauty of the area but also poses severe environmental risks, including water pollution and habitat degradation.

During our interactions with community members, we learned that many locals participate in the disposal of floral waste due to cultural traditions. However, they expressed concerns about the increasing volume of waste and its detrimental impact on their health and the ecosystem. Some residents mentioned government initiatives aimed at waste management and river cleanliness, such as awareness campaigns and clean-up drives. While these efforts have had some positive effects, many locals feel that more comprehensive and sustained actions are necessary. This visit highlighted the complex relationship between cultural practices and environmental sustainability,

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emphasising the need for community involvement and effective government policies in addressing the issue of floral waste in Yamuna Khadar.

Five Geo-tagged Pictures:



Attach Attendance Sheet: Harshwardhan Aggarwal, Abhinav Pandey, Aayan Mukherjee