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Ratnadurg Fort Clean-up Drive

Ratnadurg Fort was constructed during the Bahamanees rule and was captured by Adilshah. Later Ch. Shivaji Maharaj took charge of the fort in 1670. Due to garbage piled up and lack of maintenance, this fort was losing its historical glory. Keeping the noble motive in mind to preserve and restore the historical monument, the Department of Electrical Engineering conducted a Clean-up Drive at Ratnadurg Fort on 26 January 2020 in association with the Department of Lifelong Learning Extension FAMT Ratnagiri from 6.30 am to 8.30 am.

The drive was aimed to remove all the non-biodegradable wastes like plastic covers, plastic straws, rubber, and thermocouple. Before disposal, the plastic waste was segregated and sent for recycling and the rest of the garbage was collected by the Ratnagiri Municipal Corporation to dumping yards. Prof. S. S. Wamane, the Event Coordinator, shared that the reason for choosing Ratnadurg fort for cleaning drive. When the Mandovi beach was cleaned, surveys were conducted simultaneously to understand the cause of increasing garbage at the fort. It was realized that a lot of non-biodegradable wastes and glass bottles were being thrown at the Ratnadurg Fort since it is a popular tourist spot.

A total of 44 students of second and third year of Electrical Engineering participated in this drive and cleaned the fort. Master Mallikarjun Swami, Master Aditya Jadhav, student representatives took efforts to make this event successful. Prof. S. H. Mhabadi HoD, Prof. M. N. Tagare, Prof. S. S. Wamane, Prof. Kiran Keshyagoal, and Prof. Harshal Gosavi coordinated the campaign successfully. The initiative brought an impressive change and found a special mention by nearby citizens of the Ratnadurg Fort.

Photographs



Students of Electrical Engineering who participated in campaign



Students of Electrical Engineering cleaning the Ratnadurg fort area



Prof. Sudhir Wamane along with students of Electrical Engg. department



Local Newspapers gave large publicity to the event (Sakal: Date 29/01/2020)