# UDAAN: THE SOCIO-CULTURAL CELL DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

#### Cloth Collection Drive (Jan 14-16, 2019)

Udaan, the socio-cultural cell of the Department of Statistics at the University of Delhi, organized a commendable cloth collection drive from January 14th to 16th, 2019. The initiative aimed at collecting clothing items to support those in need and making a positive impact on the community.

To facilitate the collection process, collection boxes were strategically placed at various locations throughout the university campus. These designated drop-off points made it convenient for students, faculty, and staff to contribute their unused or gently used clothing items.

The response to the cloth collection drive was heartening, as numerous individuals generously donated a wide range of clothing, including clothing for different seasons, sizes, and styles. This diversity in contributions made the drive all the more effective and beneficial for the recipients.

Once the collection period concluded, the collected clothing items were carefully sorted and packed. Udaan coordinated with a nearby non-governmental organization (NGO) to ensure that the donations reached those who needed them the most. This collaboration between Udaan and the NGO ensured that the clothing reached underprivileged communities, thus making a meaningful difference in their lives.

The cloth collection drive conducted by Udaan was a resounding success, showcasing the compassion and community spirit within the Department of Statistics at the University of Delhi. It not only served as a practical demonstration of Udaan's commitment to social welfare but also demonstrated the positive impact that collective efforts can have in supporting those less fortunate. This initiative reflected the core values of Udaan and its dedication to fostering a positive socio-cultural environment within the university and beyond.

In summation, Ethnic Day, masterfully orchestrated by Udaan, emerged as a harmonious fusion of spirituality, tradition, and contemporary celebration. It vividly underscored the department's unwavering commitment to nurturing cultural and communal bonds, while simultaneously paying homage to the time-honored traditions that seamlessly coexist with modernity. This event was an eloquent testament to the vibrant cultural spirit of the university and the vivacious and diverse community that thrives within the Department of Statistics at the University of Delhi.

# Swachhata Pakhwada

Swachhata Pakhwada is a government initiative in India aimed at promoting cleanliness and hygiene. The Heritage Club, Department Of Statistics successfully organized a 15 day campaign from 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019. This initiative aimed to create awareness and a sense of responsibility towards environment. It connected students from all the departments and faculty members who embarked on this journey together to contribute to better health and hygiene conditions in the University area.

Throughout the campaign, various activities and initiatives were carried out. Cleanliness drives were conducted for cleaning up the campus and adjoining areas. Awareness campaigns including workshops and seminars were organized to educate the participants about the importance of maintaining hygiene and sanitation.

This event was a success and proved to be a vital step in proliferating the importance of clean and green environment, fostering the spirit of sense of duties towards Mother Earth.







**Cloth Collection Drive: Promoting Sustainable Fashion** 

**Date:** 20th – 22nd March 2023 **Location:** College Premises

# Introduction

The Department of Statistics at University of Delhi organized a successful Cloth Collection Drive with the objective of promoting sustainable fashion. The drive aimed to collect preowned clothes from students, faculty, and staff members to give them a new lease of life while raising awareness about the importance of reusing and reducing clothing waste. This report outlines the key aspects and outcomes of the cloth collection drive.

# **Collection of Pre-Owned Clothes**

The Cloth Collection Drive kicked off on 20th March 2023, with the placement of collection boxes at convenient locations within the college premises. Collection bins were placed strategically across the university campus, including key buildings and common areas due to which the boxes were easily accessible and served as a reminder for everyone to extend their support. Participants were informed about the acceptable clothing items for donation, such as gently used clothing which shouldn't be torn from anywhere. Donors were encouraged to contribute items in good condition and to wash them before donating.

Members of Team Udaan managed the collection bins, ensuring their regular emptying and maintenance.

#### **Active Participation and Collection**

The students and research scholars enthusiastically participated in the collection process. The response from the college community was overwhelming, with individuals from various departments showing keen interest in contributing to the cause. The collection boxes, which were initially empty, gradually filled up with an assortment of pre-owned clothes, reflecting the collective effort of the college community. Through their collective efforts, five medium-sized cartons were filled to the brim with a wide variety of clothing items.

# **Donation to an Organization in Need**

Once the collection phase concluded, the accumulated clothing items were carefully packed into the cartons. Clothes that were unsuitable for distribution were sent for recycling or disposed of responsibly, adhering to environmental guidelines. The next step involved the delivery of these donations to an organization that required clothing aid. These clothes were then dropped off at the Uday Foundation in Hauz Khas. The Uday Foundation team further distributed these clothes to the underprivileged which brought wide smiles on their faces.

# **Impact and Conclusion**

#### 1. Promoting Sustainable Fashion:

- The cloth collection drive helped raise awareness about sustainable fashion practices among the university community.
- Participants learned the importance of reusing and reducing clothing waste, leading to more mindful consumption habits.

# 2. Community Engagement:

- The drive provided an opportunity for students, faculty, and staff members to actively contribute to a socially responsible cause.
- It fostered a sense of unity and collaboration within the university community.

# 3. Social Impact:

• By providing usable clothes to those in need, the drive made a positive impact on the lives of the less fortunate.

# **Conclusion:**

The cloth collection drive organized by the Department of Statistics at The University of Delhi successfully achieved its objectives of raising awareness about reusing and reducing clothing waste and engaging the college community in an altruistic endeavor to aid the underprivileged. Through the active participation of the university community, the drive made a tangible impact by extending the lifespan of donated clothes and supporting the needy. This initiative served as a stepping stone towards building a more sustainable and socially conscious society.

