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### **REPORT OF INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC CARRY BAG FREE DAY**

PG and Research Department of Microbiology observed International Plastic Carry bag free Day in order to create awareness on harmful effect of Plastic carry bag usages. This programme was held at **Poomalai Vaniha Valaagam**, Mannargudi, Conference Hall on **03.07.2024** in accordance of **International Plastic Carry bag free Day**. This day aims to raise awareness about the harmful effects of plastic bags on our environment and encourage people to adopt sustainable alternatives.

Special lecture on carry bag prohibition was given by **Dr.G.Manimekalai**, Associate Professor, PG and Research Department of Microbiology. She highlighted the environmental impact of usage of Polyethylene Carry bags with relevant illustrations and photographic presentations. An invited talk delivered by our special invitee **Mrs.Thiruselvi Amirtharaj**, Municipal Councilor, Ward-33, Mannargudi Municipality. She talks about the problems of segregation and management of plastic carry bags in the urban area and requested everyone to discriminate house hold waste in to Biodegradable and Non-Biodegradable, so as to ease of management of waste and sustainable development. On this Day students of PG and Research Department of Microbiology are underwent Extension activity to Mannargudi Town to create awareness among Women Self- Help groups, public people, various Merchants of Mannargudi Town, Provision shop owners, garland makers etc., **Ms.S.Sangeetha, Block Supervisor**, , Integrated Women Self Help group, Mannargudi Urban Block, had delivered her felicitation address to encourage the women self help group members to follow sustainable practices. **Ms.P.Maheswari**, Associate Professor, Department of Microbiology accompanied the students and organized the overall event.

PG and UG students of Microbiology are actively involved themselves with this extension activity. Totally 55 Women self- help members participated in the seminar and students were distributed awareness Pamphlets to over 200 public and various users of Carry bags.

