

St. Cecilia's Public School

**OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE & ILLICIT TRAFFICKING,
PARTICIPATION IN 'SAY YES TO LIFE, SAY NO TO DRUGS' CAMPAIGN,
COMPLIANCE WITH TOBACCO FREE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (TOFEI) GUIDELINES
AND ENFORCEMENT DRIVE UNDER COPTA 2003
FOR CLASSES I TO XII**



The United Nations International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is observed annually on 26th June to strengthen action and cooperation in achieving a world free of drug abuse. Expressing our sincere support to the cause, Eco Club of St. Cecilia's Public School motivated all the students and staff members to take the E-Pledge against Drug Abuse available on the government portal. The main aim of the campaign was to spread the message of ill effects of drugs among the citizens and to strengthen the resolve in making India a drugs free nation. Stepwise details of accessing the website/ link and to take the e-pledge along with generation of digital certificate were provided to the students and the staff members. Students also prepared slogans and posters for the aforesaid campaign to express their sincere solidarity to the cause. A collection of the pictures of the slogans and posters were used to prepare a video campaign titled "Say Yes To Life, Say No To Drugs". The video was posted in official what's app groups for all the classes I to XII, to spread the message far and wide.

Secondly, in Compliance with Circular no. F.DE. (40)(20)(168)/EVGB/PT.1/2021-22/321-29 dated 29.07.2025, issued by Educational Vocational Guidance Bureau, Directorate of Education, GNCT of Delhi, St. Cecilia Public School sincerely reinforced that its premises is a self- declared 'Tobacco Free Campus'. To address the menace of ill effects of consumption of tobacco, especially in school going children, the school organization sincerely supported the initiative of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India; Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), in alignment with the Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA), 2003 in strictly declaring the Cecilian Campus as a 'Tobacco Free Zone'. Madam Principal and Madam Coordinators encouraged the students and staff to be on this righteous path of saying no to substance abuse and strictly obeying the Tobacco free zone protocols.