

Aligarh Muslim University Alumni Association Qatar (AMUAAQ) conducted Beach Clean-up activity



Doha: The Aligarh Muslim University Alumni Association Qatar (AMUAAQ) an Associate Organization (AO) of ICBF Under the aegis of the EMBASSY OF INDIA conducted the first Beach Clean up activity and briefed for Corona Virus and National Address registration also. The activity happened on 06th March 2020 (Friday) in association with Ministry of Municipality and Environment Qatar with the theme “Protect and preserve the natural environment and keep the marine habitat safe and trash-free” at the beautiful venue of Al Wakra Family beach under the managing committee of AMUAAQ presided by Jawed Ahmad.

The Alumni of Aligarh Muslim University in Qatar founded a forum the name of "AMU Alumni Association Qatar" (AMUAAQ). This is actively engaged in promoting Welfare, social, Health care, educational, sports and professional activities in Doha and in India. The Aligarh Muslim University Association Qatar (AMUAAQ) is among the most respected Alumni Association in the world.

The program started with the recitation of Verses from Holy Quran while Beach cleanup tips briefed by **Mr. Fawaz Bader Ali Al Saada** (Representative of Ministry of Municipality and Environment). Mr. Saada mentioned that sustainability is the overall goal of the municipality and Qatar Green Building Council. Everyone is working within the same system for the deployment of all the aspects of the culture of sustainability by spreading awareness and knowledge. He appreciated "AMU Alumni Association Qatar" (AMUAAQ) President Mr. Jawed Ahmad and his committee for organising beach clean up activity with other important awareness briefing session like Corona Virus and National Address registration.

Jawed Ahmad, the President of the AMU Alumni Association Qatar gave the welcome address including a brief about Beach Clean up and Tool Box Talk tips. Mr. Ahmad, said: "In an effort to spread awareness about the importance of protecting the marine life and educating the community about the need of the hour. He mentioned that approximately 0.7 million Indian migrants are estimated to be living in Qatar, if

even Indians can contribute towards a sustainable landscape of Qatar, it will make the difference. Lastly he mentioned that all participants and well-wishers should join hands together to support the community and stand with Qatar. Mr. Ahmad mentioned that AMU Alumni Association Qatar is affiliated organisation and its functional in line with by laws and local regulations. Mr. Jawed thanked to HE Shri P. Kumaran (Ambassador, Indian Embassy), who sent his warm wishes for this activity. Lastly Mr. Ahmad conveyed his regards and thanked to (MME) Ministry of Municipality and Environment Qatar for their extended support for this event.

Mr. PN Baburajan, President of ICBF and Chief Guest of this event in his address said that all members should come together to fulfill the AMUAAQ mission towards community and alma mater and wished that AMUAAQ should continue with the same mission towards Welfare and other social activity. Mr. Rajan appreciated the president and his team for organizing the Beach Cleanup event.

Mr. Avinash Gaikwad, General Secretary of ICBF, spoke about the importance of Beach clean up and appreciated affiliated AMUAAQ team for this marine protection based event.

Mrs. Shemi (Representatives of Corona Task force team) briefed over Corona Virus and protection tips and Dr. Ashna Nusrat supported her for Question-Answer session, while **Mr. Mamnoon Ahmad Bangash** and **Mr. Gautam** conducted the Environmental based Quiz. Winner of this program was Miss Neharika while First and second runner up was Miss Naz and Miss Alhena received the Gift and certificate. Mr. Jawed Ahmad, President AMUAAQ briefed about Notational Address Registration and its importance.

Mohammed Naim advisor of the AMUAAQ affiliated body said that "Today, we had a great time cleaning up the beach with so many different participants, He informed that majority of AMU Alumni and well wishers demanding for one unified AMU Alumni Association in Qatar. Therefore this affiliated body started the unification campaign wef 01st January 2020. We are expecting positive response from alumnus and well-wishers to connect with affiliated AMU Alumni Association Qatar to get it unified.

AMUAAQ - Office bearers **Mohammed Farman Khan** and **Mohammed Faisal Naseem** informed that Membership to affiliated AMUAAQ is open to those who is an alumnus of AMU including their family members and well-wishers irrespective of race, religion, ethnicity. AMUAAQ welcomes all those who cherish AMU values and ideals.

More than 110 participants gathered at Al Wakra Family Beach for beach clean-up activity, officials from the Qatar Municipality and Environment (MME) was present at site and supported the AMU Alumni Association Qatar participants.

Participants of AMUAAQ - spread across the beach along with MME officials equipped with garbage bags to collect trash from the beach and in turn protect marine life and keep the Qatar's coastline safe and pristine.

Participants and their family, said: " It was a really fun and creative event where they learnt how important it is to take care of our oceans, marine life and environment.

One of the kid, said: "Today, we had a great time cleaning up the beach with so many participants and we realised what kind of litter leave behind and pollute these beaches. All Participants enjoyed it and felt good helping the environment and working together as a community."

Participants felt proud in the work of cleaning the beach, to contribute the preservation of the environment through community work. Participants picked up litter and trash along the shoreline.

Mr. PN Baburajan (President – ICBF), Mr. Avinash Gaikwad(GS-ICBF), Mr. Ibraiz Khan (President-KMCA),Mohammed Naim (Advisor), Danish Ali Khan, Nurul Islam, Dr. Ashna Nusrat (Coordinator), Mohammed Farman Khan (OB), Mohammed Faisal Naseem (OB), Mr. Faiyyaz, Mr. Alamgir (Advisor), Mr. Umer, Mr. Anjum, Mr, Shad, Mr. Yawer Hussain, Mr. Gautam, Mr. Irfanullah (Bazm E Sadaf), Mr. Rizwan Ahmad, Imtiyaz Ahmad, Irfan Ansari and many more community representative attended and graced the occasion.



