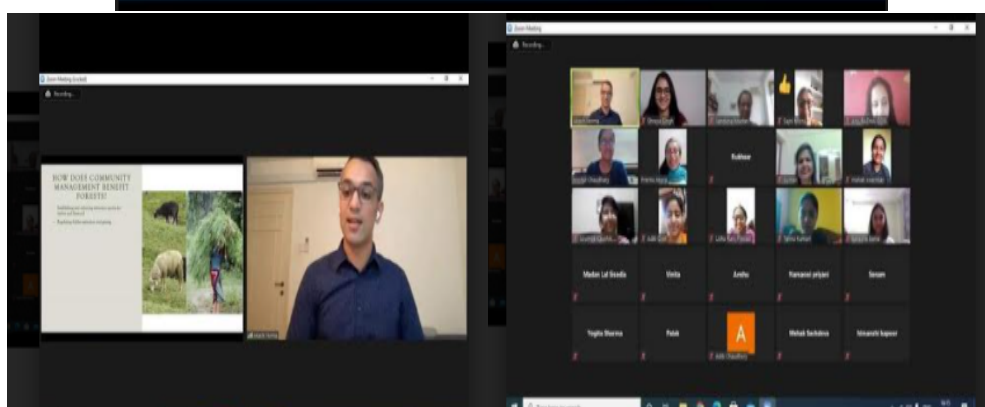
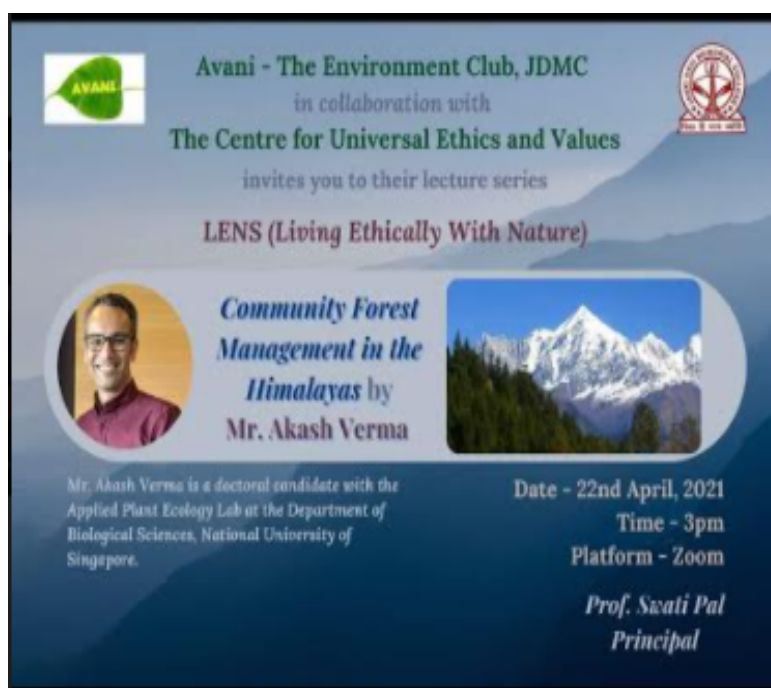


International Webinar on Community Forest Mangement in the Himalayas

As a celebration of the International Earth Day Avani, the Environment Club in collaboration with the Centre for Universal Ethics and Values, Janki Devi Memorial College organised a webinar under Living Ethically with Nature Series (LENS) on April 22, 2021. The topic for the webinar was “Community Forest Management in the Himalayas”. The speaker for the webinar was Mr. Akash Verma a doctoral candidate with the Applied Plant Ecology Lab at the Department of Biological Sciences, National University of Singapore.

He spoke about the mechanisms of forest change in the Himalayas by discussing forest cover and quality. Further, he highlighted the need for ethical living by talking about the mutual relationship between forests and the local people; described the concept of community forest management by referring to his study on Nepal and Uttarakhand; and explained the functioning of the systems of joint forest management & van panchayats in India and the system of community forest user groups in Nepal.



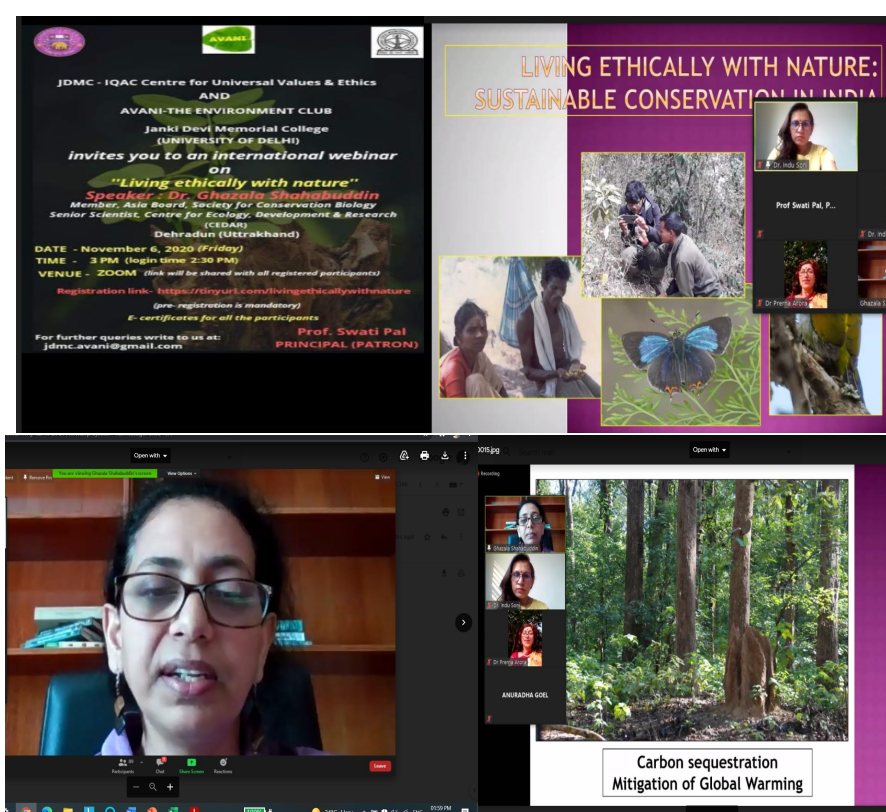
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International Webinar on Living Ethically with Nature

The Environment Club, Avani in collaboration with the JDMC-IQAC Centre for Universal Values and Ethics commenced the Living Ethically with Nature Series (LENS) on November 6, 2020 by organising a webinar lecture on the topic “Living ethically with nature”. The speaker for the webinar was Dr. Ghazala Shahabuddin who is a member of Asia Board, Society for Conservation Biology and is a senior scientist, Centre for Ecology, Development and Research, Dehradun. At present she is stationed in Paris, France .

Dr. Shahabuddin focused on the relationship between nature and humanity. In this context, she discussed the ecological disasters that occurred in 2020. She highlighted issues of forest degradation and worldwide decline in insects. She spoke about nature based tourism in the Himalayas and also disaster management and taking care of nature in the times of COVID-19

Dr. Shahabuddin also talked of the need to be ethical and eco-friendly in specific situations.



International Webinar on Living Ethically with Nature-November 6, 2020