

## **PEHEL**

Manav Rachna University (MRU) is actively engaged in advancing Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG 4) by ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education for all. One of its notable initiatives in this regard is the project "Pehel." Over the course of eight months, the Center for Peace and Sustainability at MRU, with the dedicated involvement of 200 volunteers, extended a heartwarming gesture of goodwill to the community. These compassionate volunteers selflessly adopted students, offering them invaluable guidance and education entirely free of charge. Through personalized mentoring and educational support, the project aims to bridge educational gaps and empower underserved students to realize their full potential. By fostering a nurturing environment conducive to learning and growth, "Pehel" embodies MRU's commitment to promoting access to quality education as a fundamental driver of sustainable development and social progress. This initiative not only contributes to SDG 4 but also demonstrates MRU's dedication to fostering positive social impact and building a more inclusive and equitable society.



## **KUCH KEHNA HAI - POCSO AWARENESS**

Manav Rachna University is actively advancing Sustainable Development Goal 5 (SDG 5) through its project "Kuch Kehna Hai." Spearheaded by the Manav Rachna Centre for Peace and Sustainability, this initiative is vital for educating and safeguarding school-going children between the ages of 4 to 9 years. Volunteers from the center have been visiting various village schools, conducting informative sessions on the crucial topics of "good touch" and "bad touch." These sessions not only raise awareness about the Prevention of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act but also empower children with the knowledge and skills to protect themselves from potential abuse. By addressing issues related to gender equality, child safety, and empowerment, Manav Rachna University's "Kuch Kehna Hai" project

exemplifies its commitment to promoting gender equity and ensuring the well-being of all members of society. Through such proactive efforts, the university is making significant strides towards achieving SDG 5 and building a safer and more inclusive environment for children to thrive.



## ESDP: SUSTAIN ED

SustainEd: Nurturing Tomorrow's Stewards" program is paving the way for a sustainable future by harnessing the potential of youth to become responsible global citizens. This innovative initiative trains university students to serve as ambassadors of sustainability throughout their academic journey and beyond. The program's curriculum is meticulously aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), ensuring that every department of the university plays a role in sustainable education. Additionally, value-added courses, such as "Essential for Sustainability," powered by OER and UNESCO, are attracting students from across India, highlighting the program's nationwide impact. Beyond the classroom, "SustainEd" organizes a series of awareness programs, including webinars, seminars, expert sessions, competitions, and international conferences, reinforcing the importance of sustainability. Level three of the program focuses on empowering enthusiastic students to connect with their communities and cultivate global sustainable citizenship, starting at the grassroots level. Through activities such as Nukkad Natak (street plays), peaceful rallies, cleanliness drives, and educational sessions, students actively engage with their localities to drive positive change.



## **SECOND STITCH**

The Manav Rachna Centre for Peace and Sustainability has embarked on an eco-conscious endeavor known as the "Second Stitch" project. This innovative initiative involves the collection of old denim garments and the transformation of these discarded fabrics into stylish and sustainable bags or kits.

The project not only encourages the recycling and upcycling of materials but also promotes the reduction of textile waste. "Second Stitch" is a shining example of the center's commitment to fostering environmental sustainability and harmony within the community, one stitch at a time. It serves as a reminder that by reimagining the potential of everyday items, we can contribute to a more eco-friendly and sustainable future.



## **REVIVING PAPERS**

In a proactive stride toward cultivating a sustainable campus and nurturing an eco-conscious ethos among students, a pioneering student-led initiative was established by MANAV RACHNA CENTRE FOR PEACE AND SUSTAINABILITY.

This visionary project ingeniously repurposed discarded paper, breathing new life into it by crafting exquisite handmade sheets adorned with a vibrant palette of colors. This creative endeavor not only championed the cause of sustainability but also empowered young minds to become stewards of the environment, embodying the essence of true sustainability champions.

