



## Phasing Out Single Use Plastics

**Swami Rama Himalayan University (SRHU) in Jolly Grant, Dehradun, has implemented a comprehensive set of initiatives to reduce or eliminate single-use plastics on its campus. These efforts align with the university's broader commitment to environmental sustainability and have garnered recognition, including the CII-Gold Award in the "Green Practices Award" category**

### Transition to biodegradable or compostable alternative

To reinforce its commitment to sustainability, Swami Rama Himalayan University has installed "Plastic-Free Campus" signage across the campus. These signs serve as constant reminders for students, staff, and visitors to avoid single-use plastics and support the university's initiatives like the Plastic Waste Bank and plastic-to-diesel recycling project. The signage not only promotes awareness but also fosters a culture of environmental responsibility within the university community.





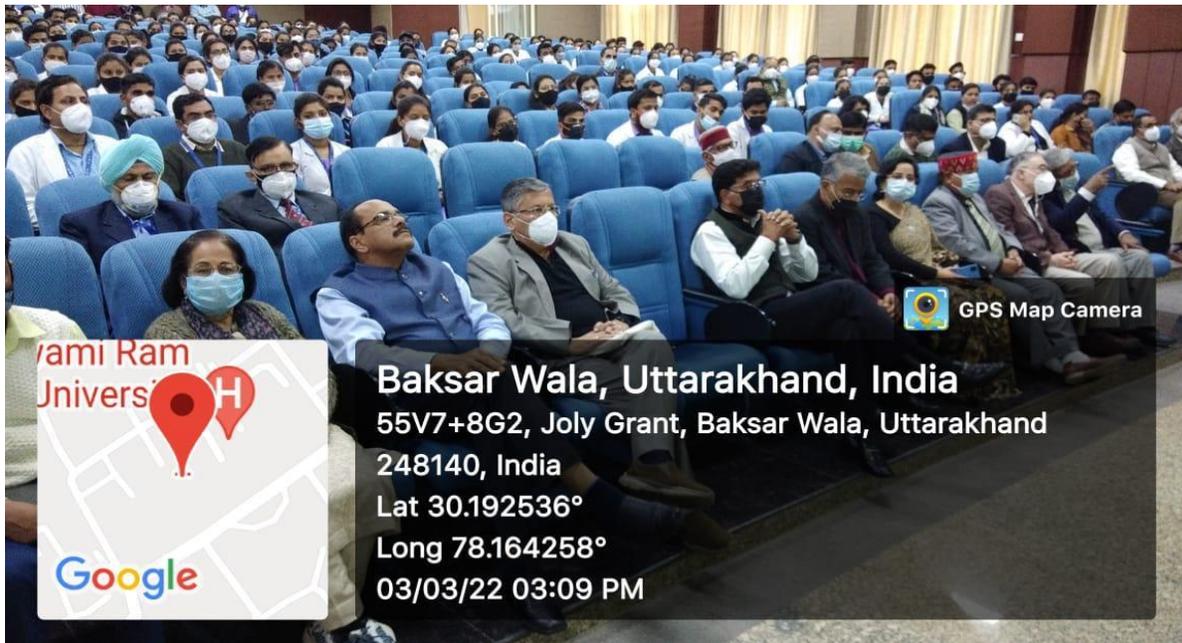
**Plastic-Free Campus signage at Swami Rama Himalayan University promoting sustainability.**

## Awareness Campaigns

The university conducts regular awareness campaigns to educate students, staff, and the local community about the detrimental effects of single-use plastics. These campaigns are designed to foster a culture of sustainability and encourage the adoption of eco-friendly alternatives. Seminar on "Plastic Waste Management" was organized on March 3, 2022, at Swami Rama Himalayan University to sensitize the students/faculty members on recycling usable plastic waste and the use of effective methods for disposal of plastic waste for a clean environment.



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### **Plastic Bank for Recycling**

SRHU has established a plastic bank aimed at promoting the recycling of single-use plastics. This initiative encourages the collection and proper disposal of plastic waste, contributing to the reduction of plastic pollution on campus.

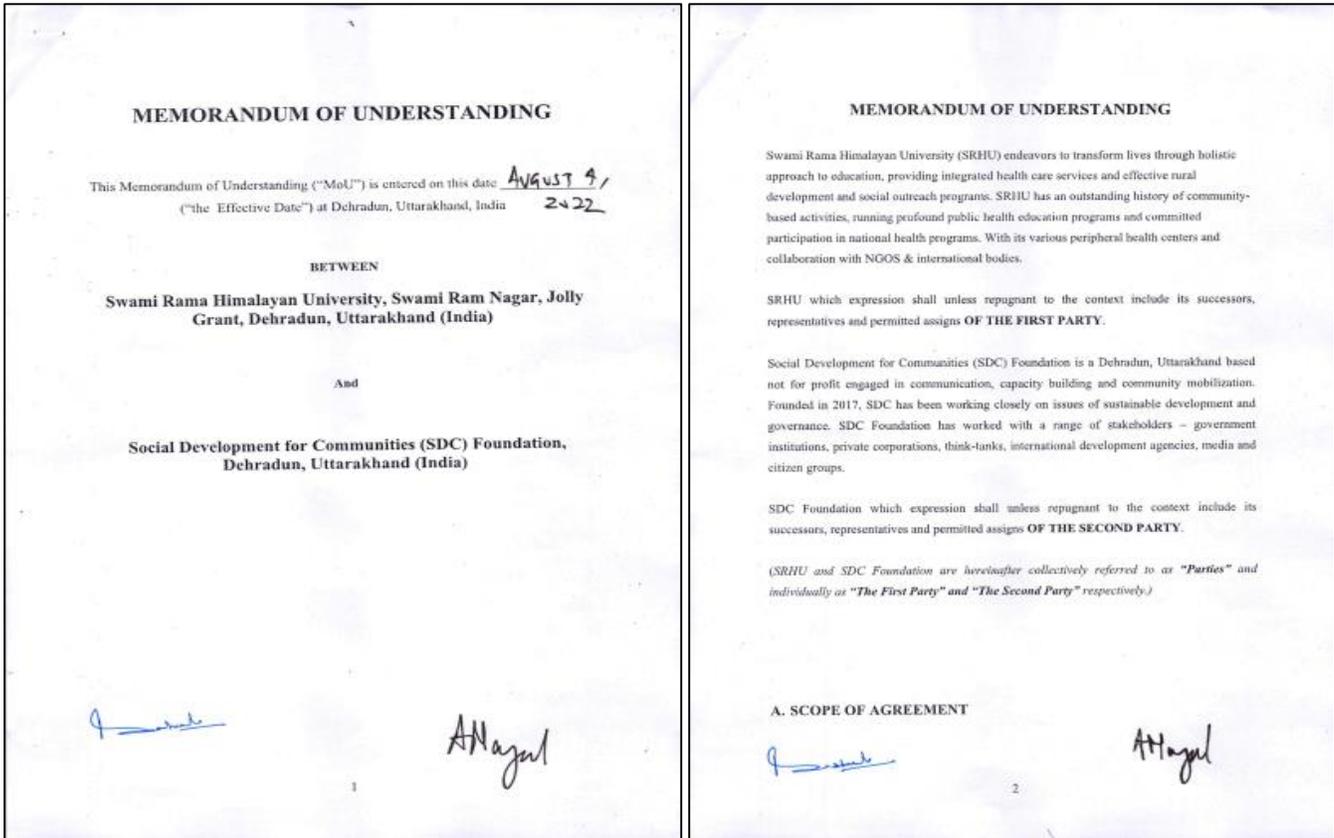


**Plastic Bank at SRHU promoting recycling and reducing plastic waste on campus**



## Innovative Plastic-to-Diesel Initiative:

From 2021 to 2025, Swami Rama Himalayan University recycled a total of 5,600 kg of plastic in collaboration with CSIR-IIP, its Social Technology Partner for the Plastic-to-Diesel Lab project. This initiative, launched alongside the 'Plastic Waste Bank' in 2022, reflects the university's commitment to sustainable waste management and innovative recycling solutions. Through this partnership, collected plastic waste was processed into fuel, supporting both environmental conservation and technological advancement in plastic waste utilization.



### MoU between SRHU and SDC for sustainability and plastic waste management