

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Dayalbagh as a Healthcare Habitat**

Dayalbagh is, as its name suggests, a lush green garden colony with trees, bushes, lawns, orchards, and parks. The air and water quality are routinely checked. Some of the measures taken to maintain air pollution-free are: (i) use of fossil fuel driven vehicle is discouraged, and the residents use brisk-walking, bicycles or e-rickshaws provided by local authorities for travel within the colony, (iii) burning of domestic biomass, crop residues and crackers are banned, (iv) all houses have piped-in Green Gas, and community kitchen and hostel kitchens also use solar power for cooking. (iv) Tree plantation is a regular feature. During high air pollution periods, such as the harvesting and threshing of crops, fogging, and sprinkling are done.

Pure milk from cattle fed on organic fodder is available to the residents. We do not use toxic pesticides or herbicides in our agriculture, and the soil is fertilized with compost and other organic preparations (Organic Farming).

Use of plastic bags in Dayalbagh is banned.

Dayalbagh also takes preventive measures against diseases. For example, all residents are given free *kadha* before the breeding season of Malaria and Dengue mosquitoes. Fogging of the colony with 2.5% Malathion in Diesel and hypochlorite spray in houses and offices are routinely done. During COVID-2019 the residents strictly followed the preventive measures and could withstand the onslaught of the Pandemic without affecting their normal routine

Dayalbagh area is said to be Lungs of Agra because it is difficult to find green belt elsewhere in the city. People from the town come to Dayalbagh for morning walk.

The green belt that you see in this area comprise of Dayalbagh fields spread over about 1200 acres. Most of the villagers have sold their land to builder, industrialist, and educational institutions.

The lifestyle of the residents also contributes to the Health-care Habitat. Physical exercise, rigorous daily routine, healthy lacto-vegetarian food, pure milk from cattle fed on organic fodder right from the beginning add to the attributes of Health-care Habitat. Instead of going to paid indoor gyms, Dayalbagh residents do physical productive work in the fields in the open clean air and in environment fully charged with spirituality. Working with SPHEEHA, an NGO, DEI is developing Dayalbagh area as an Eco-village.