



**Events**

**Pedalling histories...**

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"As we sow, so we reap" – yes indeed - the Chettinad students along with AFS (American Field Service), have laid foundation for generations to come. An average science book has half its pages filled with words, "pollution, carbon dioxide, ozone depletion, wildlife extinction....." and the like. Under the guidance of the management of Chettinad and the noble and persistent effort of Mrs. Jayanthi Bharath, the teens trumpeted a wakeup call to the entire city.

A cycle Rally for awareness, clubbing myriad causes, namely:

1. Eco awareness
2. Dwindling tiger population
3. Requesting a separate cycling lane.

A swarm of 200 plus students were aided by TI cycles and they set off in glorious sunlight, and the cool morning air of Sunday the 31st of October 2010. Having tied placards, flags and banners to the bikes; no wonder every passerby had his/her eyes glued on the cyclists.

The Rally began from the CV grounds and went via Santhome to the Gandhi Statue on Marina Beach; the purpose of the rally was achieved here, in the presence of Mr. Narayanan, secretary of IFUNA, the principal of Chettinad presented the Honorable Mayor of Chennai –Mr. Subramaniam a memoranda signed by many students requesting him to open cycling lanes in Chennai.

On the eve of such a historical movement the Mayor also addressed the crowd and warmed their hearts saying 14 kilometers stretch of a road in north Chennai has been fabricated with separate cycling lanes.

Extensive media coverage was also central to the event. NDTV Hindu was present with many other media companies. NDTV Hindu was very active taping student opinion on pressing and stressing issues as the above stated of the 21st century.

I am happy to conclude CV Students have written history in the pages of this monumental city. Kudos guys!!

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