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The Murder of *Wied il-Għasel*?



In Mosta lies what was once the most quaint and prosperous of all the Maltese Valleys: *Wied il-Għasel*. This valley, as the name implies, was famous for bee-keeping. Species which once charmed this valley like the Sicilian Spider Orchid, can no longer be seen. Although the Mosta Local Council claims that they organize various campaigns to clean the valley, a survey in Mosta revealed that astonishingly 65% of the residents did

not know anything about *Wied il-Għasel* of which 25% did not know it even exists. What was even more impressive was the amount of rubbish found in the valley, with more than 100 different items recorded and even off roading is practised! (MATSEC Environmental Project Analysis, 2011). Action must be taken to safeguard the valley; rubbish should be cleaned, off roading should not be allowed and more information should be given about *Wied il-Għasel*. Let's help the environment!

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