



**INTERNATIONAL MIGRATORY BIRD DAY CELEBRATION ACROSS THE GANGA STATES;
DEVPRAYAG AND UTTARKASHI, (UTTARAKHAND); VARANASI AND NARORA, (UTTAR
PRADESH); SAHIBGANJ, (JHARKHAND); SERAMPORE (WEST BENGAL) ON 12TH MAY 2018.**

DETAILED REPORT

The WII-NMCG project team celebrated the 'International Migratory Birds Day' on 12th, May 2018, by organizing various activities in different locations along the Ganga River States. The main objective was to sensitize the local community and youth about the different species of migratory birds, important characteristics of bird migration, threats to migratory birds, their ecological importance and the need for the conservation of these species and their habitat along the Ganga River and its floodplains.

In Uttarakhand, the activities were organized at two sites Devprayag and Uttarkashi. At Omkarananda Public School, Tehri Garwal, Devprayag an awareness programme on different species of Migratory Birds and their importance to conserve were organized for 18 students by three representative members of Ganga Praharis. All the total 18 students were enthusiastic to join as Bal Ganga Prahari. In Uttarkashi, a sensitization workshop for students of Class VI-XII was organized at Gosoami inter college, Uttarkashi. During the programme, a total of 35 students were sensitized on conservation significance of Migratory birds and their habitat.

In Uttar Pradesh, at two sites of Narora and Sarnath, conservation awareness on Migratory birds was organized. Around 150 Students of intermediate level and 6 teachers from Raghunath Inter College, Narora and 70 primary students and 3 teachers from Primary School, Rajghat, Narora were participated at the event. During the programme the students were sensitized on important characteristics of bird migration and the need for the conservation of these species and their habitat. At Sarnath, a total of 70 students from both Primary and Junior High School including 6 teachers and Principal participated in the event. The participants were sensitized on different species of Migratory Birds, their ecological importance and the need for the conservation of these species.

In Sahibganj, Jharkhand a sensitization programme on hands-on experience was organized at the bank of the Ganga, Sahibganj. A total of 51 Students (Class VIII to X) and 2 Teachers from Utkramit High School participated with great enthusiasm. Around 8:00 am the participants were assembled on the bank of Ganga. They were briefed about the Migratory Birds and importance of the Migratory birds' day. The team explained the identification characters of the bird's species, diversity and their habitat. Different bird's species like Red Naped Ibis, Lesser Adjutant, Asian Open Bill Stork, Great Egret, Cormorant, and Pond Heron were observed during bird watching programme. The team also briefed and demonstrates two counting techniques viz. point count method and total count method with the help of onsite example. Other than birds the students were also informed about other species that are found in the Ganga River. Students actively interacted with the team and asked their doubts.

At Serampore, West Bengal, the International Migratory Bird Day was celebrated in the Department of Zoology at Serampore College. Forty one Postgraduate students and two Professors participated in this awareness program. Two interesting lectures on "Bird Migration: A Natural Marvel" and "Knowing Migratory Birds of West Bengal" was delivered. Subsequently, in the interactive session, some common migratory bird species that visit West Bengal, their breeding ground and food habit were described to the participants. Both sessions were followed by extensive interaction with the participants regarding various concerned issues. A short documentary film on bird migration was also organized.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

1000 -1030	Welcome Address	Resource Person
1030-1100	Introduction to the NMCG-WII project "Biodiversity Conservation and Ganga Rejuvenation"	WII Team
1100 -1130	Migratory Birds of Ganga River	WII Team & Ganga Praharis
1130 - 1200	Training Impact Assessment/ Feedback	
1200 - 1210	Vote of Thanks	
1210-1230	Refreshments	

PHOTO GALLERY

(i) Devprayag, Uttarakhand



Photo: Presentation by Ganga Prahari, Devprayag on conservation significance of migratory birds of Ganga River.

(ii) Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand



Photo: Group discussion with students on important characteristics of migratory birds.

(iii) Sarnath (Varanasi) Uttar Pradesh



Photo: Presentations and discussion with students on ecological importance of Migratory birds of Ganga river, Sarnath.

(iv) Narora, Uttar Pradesh



Photo: Presentations and discussion with Teachers and students on conservation significance of Migratory birds of Ganga river, Narora.

(v) Sahibganj, Jharkhand



Photo: Presentations and discussion with Teachers and students on conservation significance of Migratory birds of Ganga river, Narora

(vi) Serampore, West Bengal



Photo: Presentations by Professors and Ganga Praharis on Migratory Birds of West Bengal

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राष्ट्रीय स्वच्छ गंगा मिशन एवं भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में पुरानी साहिबगंज स्थित उत्कृष्ट उच्च विद्यालय में 'जैव विविधता संरक्षण एवं गंगा जीर्णोद्धार' पर शुक्रवार को कार्यक्रम का आयोजन हुआ। इसमें मुख्य अतिथि सिंडिकेट सदस्य डॉ. रंजीत कुमार सिंह व विशिष्ट अतिथि कॉलेज की प्रधानाध्यापिका डॉ. मीरा शामिल हुए। डॉ. रंजीत ने जैव विविधता संरक्षण एवं गंगा की महत्व को बताते हुए कहा कि अपने भविष्य को संरक्षित रखने के लिए पर्यावरण को संरक्षित रखना आवश्यक है। प्रधानाध्यापिका डॉ. मीरा ने स्वच्छता की अहमियत पर प्रकाश डाला। उधर, एकता शर्मा, मोनिका मेहरालू व मयंक ओझा ने जैव विविधता संरक्षण एवं गंगा



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साहिबगंज। भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान की ओर से शनिवार को विश्व प्रवासी पक्षी दिवस मनाया गया। मौके पर स्कूली बच्चों को शहर के पुरानी साहिबगंज स्थित गंगा घाट पर पक्षियों के बारे में बताया गया। संस्थान के विवेक रंजन ने विद्यार्थियों को गंगा किनारे पाए जाने वाले पक्षी गरूड़, एशियन ओपेनलिवल, बगुले, पनडुब्बी आदि की खासियत बताया। डीपीआरओ प्रभात शंकर ने विद्यार्थियों को पक्षी के वैज्ञानिक व स्थानीय नाम की जानकारी दी है। यूनिवर्सिटी के सिंडिकेट सदस्य डॉ. रंजीत सिंह ने बाहरी व स्थानीय पक्षियों के शिकार को दंडनीय अपराध बताया।