



**“CONSERVATION AWARENESS FOR *BAL GANGA PRAHARIS*, TEACHERS AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES” ON THE OCCASION OF “EARTH WEEK CELEBRATION” ACROSS GANGA STATES
DATED: 22ND – 28TH APRIL 2019**

DETAILED REPORT

The Wildlife Institute of India (WII) under the NMCG-WII's “Biodiversity and Ganga Conservation” project celebrated Earth Week from 22nd to 28th April, 2019 across Ganga States. A series of special events and activities were carried out for *Bal Ganga Praharis* at different schools and Ghats. This year the theme of the Earth day celebration was ‘protect our species’ and save every one of the species in the planet. The objective was to promote Ganga's biodiversity conservation and show environmental awareness in different ecological issues like contamination of the river, solid waste left over the land, protection and conservation of the endangered and rare species are addressed.

Date and Sites

The awareness programmes was held from 22nd to 28th April, 2019 at 30 sites; Dehradun, Uttarkashi, Rishikesh, Haridwar (Uttarakhand); Dhaka, Rampur, Molnapur, Sujabaad, Domri in Varanasi, Prayagraj, Kannauj, Farrukabaad, Narora (Uttar Pradesh); Nahkar, Naugachia, Bhagalpur (Bihar); Sahibganj (Jharkhand) respectively.

WII Team, Resource Person and Ganga Praharis

The event was conducted by WII team Dr. Sangeeta Angom, Ms. Suneeta Rawat, Dr. Heena Khan, Ms. Monika Mehralu, Ms. Amanat Gill, Ms. Advaita Ravindran, Mr. Rahil Khan, Mr. Akshay Bajaj, Mr. Keshav Kumar, Mr. Ratish Singh, Ms. Keara Bakshi, and Ganga Praharis include Mr. Pawan Katiyar (Farrukkabaad), Mr. Manoj Nishad (Haidwar), Ms. Radhika (Uttarkashi), Ms. Rama Tiwari (Kannauj), Mr. Deepak Kumar (Bhagalpur), Mr. Gyan Chand Gyani (Bhagalpur) respectively.

Participants

A total of 2065 students, 117 teachers and 127 Ganga Praharis were participated in the event across the Ganga States. The programme was attended by 444 students, 12 teachers and 4 Ganga Praharis from Uttarakhand. 651 students, 76 teachers and 114 Ganga Praharis from Uttar Pradesh; 530 students, 29 teachers and 7 Ganga Praharis from Bihar; 440 students, and 2 Ganga Praharis from Jharkhand.

Day 1: 22nd April, 2019

Day 1 was celebrated with 25 primary school children and 2 teachers at Saraswati Shiksha Sadan Academy, Dehradun, Uttarakhand. The emphasis was on understanding the importance of preservation of wildlife habitats. The students and teachers were also briefed about the biodiversity found in Ganga River and its significance of conservation. The session was concluded with the anthem “Namami Gange” and distribution of refreshments for the children and teachers.

Day 2: 23rd April, 2019

On the second day two activities were conducted at the Government Primary School (GPS), Kishanpur, Uttarakhand and Wisdom children Academy, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh. An individual coloring activity was conducted for students of Class 1 to Class 3. They were also briefed about the animal species present in River Ganga as they saw the Anthem “Namami Gange”. The students were extremely enthusiastic about the competition and took part in it with utmost interest. They were also awarded for their performance. A total of 40 students and 3 teachers attended the event in Uttarakhand and a total of 25 students, 5 teachers and 5 Ganga Praharis attended the event in Prayagraj.

Day 3: 24th April, 2019

On the third day, the event was organized at 5 sites, in Uttarakhand a plantation drive was held at the Rajkiya Prathamik Vidyalaya, Kuno, Rishikesh with 12 Students, 2 teachers, 5 local people. The students planted 4-5 saplings within their school premises and pledged to safeguard the saplings as they grew. The younger students’ recited poetry related to the animals.

In Uttar Pradesh, the activities were carried out three schools, at Narora an awareness rally was organized with 149 students, 12 teachers of Raghubar Bara Saini Inter College Rajghat Narora and 26 Ganga Praharis participated the programme. Two awareness workshops was organised at Government Primary school Rampur, Varanasi with 96 students, 4 teachers and 3 Ganga Praharis and a total of 32 students, 5 teachers and 5 Ganga Praharis in Playway Kids schools, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh.

At Sahibganj, Jharkhand, an awareness rally was organised with 12 local people in Maskalaiya Village of Sahibganj district by two Ganga Praharis. The Ganga Praharis marched on streets with banners and slogans and interacted with people to aware them on the importance of biodiversity of the Ganga and its conservation for the ecological integrity of the river. The rally started from Maskaliyan skill development training centre, continued for an hour in the village vicinity with Ganga Praharis reciting slogans and ended on the training centre.

Day 4: 25th April, 2019

On the fourth day, painting competition was conducted for the students of the intermediate classes at the Cantt Junior High School, Clement Town, Dehradun, Uttarakhand. A total of 113 students and 11 teachers participated in the event. The theme of the competition was 'Life in River Ganga'. The students were also briefed about the various species found in and around the river. The session was concluded by a prize distribution ceremony where students were awarded prizes and certificates for their inspiring works.

At Uttar Pradesh, awareness activities were conducted at three sites; an awareness rally was conducted by WII team with the students and teachers from Government higher secondary school, Molnapur, Varanasi. A total of 60 students and 12 teachers participated in the rally; in Farrukabaad with 70 students, 9 teachers and 4 Ganga Praharis at Primary School Sota Bahadur, Uttar Pradesh; a drawing competition was organised at B. S. Baswar, Prayagraj, where a total of 28 students and 7 teachers participated in the programme.

Day 5: 26th April, 2019

On the fifth day celebration was organized at seven sites. At Uttarakhand, students from Shri Purnanand Public School, Rishikesh, a coloring activity was conducted for 39 students and 5 teachers and the winners were awarded. A drawing competition was organised by the Ganga Praharis at Government Primary School Matli Village, Uttarkashi, where a total of 37 students, 3 teachers and 3 Ganga Praharis were present. Similarly, drawing competitions were organised in Primary School, Bhupatwala, Haridwar, where a total of 65 students, 2 teachers and 3 Ganga Praharis were present in the event.

At Uttar Pradesh, an awareness rally was organized by WII team with 76 students, 13 students and 12 Ganga Praharis at Government Primary School, Domari, Varanasi.

At Bihar, painting competition was organised by WII team and Ganga Praharis at Gajendra MS Donia School Tala Pakra, Naugachia, Bhagalpur. A total of 18 students, 6 teachers and 1 Ganga Praharis participated in the programme. An awareness programme was organised by Ganga Praharis at Saint Paul School, Bhagalpur where a total of 251 students and 6 teachers participated.

At Jharkhand, conservation awareness was organised at High School, Maharajpur, Sahibganj where a total of 150 students and 2 teachers participated in the programme.

Day 6: 27th April, 2019

On the sixth day, at Uttarakhand, awareness programmes were organised at 3 schools; in Rajkiya Kanya Purv Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Shemshargarh, Dehradun, a total of 29 students and 2 teachers participated in the programme; in Rajkiya Kanya Uchha Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Shemshargarh, Dehradun, a slogan writing competition was organised where a total of 28 students and 5 teachers participated; in Government Upper Primary School, Miyanwala, Dehradun, an awareness

programme was conducted where a total of 56 students and 2 teachers participated. At Uttar Pradesh, awareness programmes were organised by Ganga Praharis at Junior Primary School, Chaurachandpur, Kannauj, where a total of 24 students, 7 teachers and 6 Ganga Praharis participated and Government Primary School, Dhaka, Varanasi, where a total of 72 students, 5 teachers and 2 Ganga Praharis participated in the event.

At Bihar, awareness programmes were organised by Ganga Praharis for 18 students at M.S. Simra School, Naugachia, Bhagalpur; in Middle School, Shankarpur, Nahkar, Bhagalpur, for a total of 200 students, 7 teachers and 2 Ganga Praharis; and in M.S. Tamta Tola, Pakra, Naugachia, Bhagalpur, a total of 47 students, 7 teachers and 2 Ganga Praharis participated in the programme.

At Jharkhand activities was organised at Upgrade High School, Maskalaiya, Sahibganj, where a total of 290 students participated in the programme.

Day 7: 28th April, 2019

On the 7th day, a conservation awareness programme was organised by the WII team at Livelihood centre, Sujabaad, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. Total 22 women participated in the programme sharing the experience of initiatives they have undertaken to improve the Livelihood and conservation activities organized on the banks of the Ganga River.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

World Earth Week Celebration(22 nd to 28 th April, 2019)		
Time	Activity	Resource Person
10:00-10:05	Welcome	WII Team/ Ganga Praharis/ School Teachers

10:05-10:30	About Workshop	
10:30-11:30	Conservation Awareness Programme:- Painting /Drawing /Slogan Writing Competition Awareness Rally/Poem recitation	
11:30-12:00	<i>Namami Gange</i> Anthem	
12:00-12:15	Prize & Certificate distribution	

PHOTO GALLERY



(A) Group photograph on 22nd April, 2019 at Saraswati Shiksha Sadan Academy, Dehradun, Uttarakhand



(B) Prize distribution on 23rd April, 2019 at Government Primary School (GPS), Kishanpur, Uttarakhand



(C) Painting competition on 23rd April, 2019 at Government Primary School (GPS), Kishanpur, Uttarakhand



(D) Painting competition on 23rd April, 2019 at Government Primary School (GPS), Kishanpur



(E) Plantation activity on 24th, April, 2019 at Government Primary School, Kunao, Rishikesh



(F) Recitation Ganga Poem on 24th, April, 2019 at Government Primary School, Kunao, Rishikesh



(G) Awareness rally on 24th, April, 2019 at Raghubar Bara Saini Inter College Rajghat Narora



(H) Awareness rally on 24th, April, 2019 at Raghubar Bara Saini Inter College Rajghat Narora



(I) Awareness rally on 24th April, 2019 with local people in Maskalaiya Village of Sahibganj, Jharkhand



(J) Awareness programme on 24th April, 2019 at Government Primary school Rampur, Varanasi



(K) Awareness programme on 24th April, 2019 at Government Primary school Rampur, Varanasi



(L) Awareness programme on 25th April, 2019 at Cantt Junior High School, Clement Town, Dehradun, Uttarakhand



(M) One to one interaction about the biology of Ganga species on 25th April, 2019 at Cantt Junior High School, Clement Town, Dehradun, Uttarakhand



(N) Awareness programme on 25th April, 2019 at Cantt Junior High School, Clement Town, Dehradun, Uttarakhand



(O) Certificate distribution on 25th April, 2019 at Cantt Junior High School, Clement Town, Dehradun, Uttarakhand



(P) Awareness programme on 25th April, 2019 at Primary School Sota Bahadur, Farrukabad, Uttar Pradesh



(Q) Awareness programme on 26th April, 2019 at Gajendra MS Donia School Tala Pakra, Naugachia, Bhagalpur, Bihar



(R) Awareness programme on 26th April, 2019 at Saint Paul School, Bhagalpur, Bihar



(S) Painting competition on 26th April, 2019 at Shri Purnanand Public School, Rishikesh, Uttarakhand



(T) Awareness programme on 26th April, 2019 at Government Primary School, Domari, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh



(U) Awareness rally on 26th April, 2019 at Government Primary School, Domari, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh



(V) Awareness programme on 27th April, 2019 at Rajkiya Kanya Uchha Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Shemshargarh, Uttarakhand



(W) Awareness programme on 27th April, 2019 at Government Upper Primary School, Miyanwala, Dehradun, Uttarakhand



(X) Awareness rally on 27th April, 2019 at Uchha Primary Vidhyalaya, Chaurachandpur, Kannauj, Uttar Pradesh



(Y) Poster making competition on 27th April, 2019 at M.S. Simra School, Naugachia, Bhagalpur, Bihar



(Z) Poster making competition on 27th April, 2019 at M.S. Tamta Tola, Pakra, Naugachia, Bhagalpur, Bihar



(Z1) Awareness Programme on 27th April, 2019 at Middle School, Shankarpur, Nahkar, Bhagalpur, Bihar



(Z2) Awareness programme on 27th April, 2019 at Government Primary School, Dhaka, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh



(Z3) Awareness programme on 28th April, 2019 at Livelihood centre, Sujabaad, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

MEDIA COVERAGE

पृथ्वी और पर्यावरण संरक्षण के लिए जरूरी है लोगों में जागरूकता

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नवगछिया। पृथ्वी और पर्यावरण एक ही सिक्के के दो पहलू हैं। इनके बिना जीव के जिंदा रहने की परिकल्पना असंभव-सी प्रतीत होती है। जीवों को जिंदा रहने के लिए उन के अनुकूल पर्यावरण बहुत जरूरी है। पृथ्वी के बिना पर्यावरण अनुकूल हो ही नहीं सकता। इसलिए पृथ्वी और पर्यावरण एक-दूसरे के पूरक भी माने जाते हैं। इसी मूल मंत्र से अभिप्रेरित है नवगछिया स्थित प्राथमिक विद्यालय आचार्य टोला पकरा के शिक्षक ज्ञान चंद्र ज्ञानी, जो गंगा प्रहरी भी हैं। इसलिए ये पृथ्वी और पर्यावरण के साथ साथ जीव विविधता संरक्षण का भी पूरा ख्याल रखते हैं।

चलाया जागरूकता अभियान : इस समय ये पृथ्वी दिवस को पृथ्वी सप्ताह के रूप में मना रहे हैं। जिसके तहत कई स्कूलों में पृथ्वी और पर्यावरण को लेकर बच्चों के बीच जागरूकता कार्यक्रम चला रहे हैं। इसी क्रम में शनिवार को भी कई स्कूलों में विभिन्न प्रकार के जागरूकता अभियान को चलाया भी। इस दौरान शनिवार को रामधारी आदर्श मध्य विद्यालय पकरा में पौधरोपण का कार्यक्रम किया गया। साथ ही मध्य विद्यालय सिमड़ा और मध्य विद्यालय ततमा टोला तथा दोनिया टोला पकरा स्थित गजेंद्र मध्य विद्यालय में पृथ्वी और पर्यावरण से जुड़ी पेंटिंग्स और बिजु प्रतियोगिता आयोजित कर स्कूली बच्चों को जागरूक किया।

अपने शिक्षण समय में वर्ग आठ की पढ़ाई के दौरान शिक्षक आचार्य टोला पकरा से प्रेरित होकर नवगछिया तुरु करने के बाद पृथ्वी और पर्यावरण के प्रति पलक प्यार आज परकाय पर है। शिक्षक वर्गीज है कि तब से लेकर आज तक हर अवसर पर पौधा रोपण का कार्य निरंतर जारी है। बीते 9 अगस्त को इल्हाइलपुर, कटवा और नवगछिया क्षेत्रों में तीन हजार से अधिक पौधों का वितरण कर पौधरोपण भी कराया था। साथ ही आने वाले 5 जून को विश्व पर्यावरण दिवस पर भी पुनः पैमाने पर पौधरोपण करने की तैयारी जारी है।

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पर्यावरण के बारे में बच्चों को दी जानकारी

फर्रुखाबाद, (पंजाब केसरी): भू सप्ताह के अंतर्गत नमामि गंगे पर्यावरण संरक्षण जैव विविधता संरक्षण एवं गंगा जीर्णोद्धार के तहत गंगा प्रहरी कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत गंगा प्रहरी पवन कटियार ने पर्यावरण के बारे में बच्चों को जानकारी दी। इस दौरान कक्षा-04 के छात्र विराल को गंगा प्रहरी नियुक्ति किया गया। छात्र विराल ने बताया कि गंगा को मैला हम लोगों ने किया है। इसलिए जीव-जन्तु गंगा में नहीं रहते हैं।

स्वीप टीम-04 प्रभारी अनुसुइया दीक्षित ने कहा कि गंगा में पोलोथिन व मूर्तियों का विसर्जन न करके भूमि विसर्जन करना चाहिए। साथ ही छोटे बच्चों को वृक्षों की उपयोगिता बताते हुए एक पेड़ लगाने को प्रेरित किया। इस दौरान अनुसुइया दीक्षित ने सभी को



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