



**“WORLD ENDANGERED SPECIES DAY CELEBRATION WITH *BAL GANGA PRAHARIS* AND  
TEACHERS” AT UTTARAKHAND ON 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2019**

**DETAILED REPORT**

The Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun and National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) under the project “Biodiversity and Ganga Conservation” celebrated “World Endangered Species Day” with Bal Ganga Praharis and teachers in schools of Uttarakhand on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2019. The objective was to spread the awareness about the importance of protecting endangered species, their habitats and its ecosystem and everyday actions they can take to help protect them.

**TEAM MEMBERS**

WII team comprised of following persons: Dr. Sangeeta Angom, Scientist & Training Coordinator; Ms. Monika Mehralu, Assistant Training Coordinator; Mr. Keshav Kumar, Project assistant; Mr. Ratish Singh, Project Assistant.

**PARTICIPANTS**

A total of 125 students, 11 teachers were participated from Government Inter College, Ganga Bhogpur, Rishikesh; and a total of 134 high school students (class 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>) of Govt. Girls High School Vajirawadi, Khadkhadi, Haridwar (UK), and 6 teachers attended the programme.

**DETAILS OF THE EVENT**

**Rishikesh, Uttarakhand**

A sensitization workshop was organized for the students and teachers at Government Inter College, Ganga Bhogpur, Rishikesh, Uttarakhand. The event commenced with a presentation about the various endangered species found in Ganga River, with a special focus on the conservation of Gangetic River Dolphin and Indian Skimmer followed by a formal discussion on

how to protect the species in their habitat. Subsequently, a competition of puzzle and crossword on biodiversity of Ganga theme was organised for the students. A total of 125 students, 11 teachers attended the event.

### **Haridwar, Uttarakhand**

In Haridwar, the event started with a brief presentation on Biodiversity and its importance followed by a discussion about endangered species found in Ganga river, and the efforts being taken by the WII-NMCG for their conservation. Other than this, the students were also informed about the different freshwater turtle species and otters found in Ganga River. The students and teachers were then asked to give their feedbacks based on the information disseminated. The students were given mementos at the end of the event, in order to motivate and inspire them towards sustained action as the *Bal Ganga Praharsi*. The workshop was concluded by the distribution of awareness materials to the teachers and refreshments to all the participants. A total of 134 high school students (class 6<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup>) of Govt. Girls High School Vajirawadi, Khadkhadi, Haridwar, and 6 teachers attended the programme.

### **PROGRAMME SCHEDULE**

<b>17<sup>th</sup> May 2019</b>	<b>Session</b>	<b>Resource person</b>
0930 – 1000	Registration	<b>Mr. Keshav Kumar and Mr. Ratish Singh</b>
1000 - 1100	Biodiversity Profile of Ganga River: An overview	<b>Dr. Sangeeta Angom</b>
1100 -1130	Biodiversity Profile of Ganga River: An overview	<b>Ms. Monika Mehralu</b>
1130 -1200	Interaction and feedback of <i>Bal Ganga Prahari</i> s	<b>Mr. Ratish Singh</b>
1200 - 1215	Distribution of awareness material	<b>Mr. Keshav Kumar</b>
1215 - 1230	Refreshments	<b>Mr. Keshav Kumar and Mr. Ratish Singh</b>
1230 - 1235	Group Photographs	<b>Mr. Keshav Kumar</b>

## PHOTO GALLERY







