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GREEN TEACHER'S TRAINING PROGRAMME

27th - 28th November, 2014 | Forest Conference Hall



A REPORT

ENVIS Centre at Forests, Environment & Wildlife Management Department, Government of Sikkim organized a Two-Day Green Teacher's Training programme on 27th and 28th of November 2014 at Forest Conference Hall in Deorali, Gangtok as an initiative towards strengthening the National Green Corps (NGC) programme being implemented in Sikkim. The inaugural session of the programme was chaired by the Hon'ble Minister Forest Shri Tshering Wangdi Lepcha, PCCF-cum-Principal Secretary Dr. Thomas Chandy IFS, CCF (T/ HQ) Shri C. S. Rao IFS and CCF/ OSD (Environment) –cum- Programme Coordinator (ENVIS) Shri B.K.Tewari.

During the inauguration of this two-day training programme for the 200 green teachers from all districts of the State, the Hon'ble Minister Forests released a booklet published by ENVIS Sikkim titled 'ECO-CLUB HANDBOOK' and also felicitated three schools namely Namchi Government Girls' Senior Secondary School, Melli Gumpa Government Secondary

School and Lower Samdong Government Secondary School with Paryavaran Mitra Puraskar which included trophies and certificates under the best schools category as conferred by Centre for Environment Education (CEE) North-East. The Hon'ble Minister also handed away a token grant of Rs. 2500/- each to the participating school as Eco-Club grant sanctioned by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), Government of India under the National Green Corps Programme 2014-15.

The training programme organized in collaboration with the MoEF&CC's Centre of Excellence the Centre for Environment Education (CEE) from the North-East was held to provide basic guidelines to the Green Teachers or the Teacher In-Charge of the School to undertake Eco-Club activities in their respective schools under the NGC programme. The resource persons from CEE Guwahati office Miss Himashree Bhattacharya and CEE Gangtok office Miss Meghna Thapa imparted the training to the participating 200 green teachers selected from the Jr. High School level from all districts.

The training was conducted in two batches in which 100 green teachers from North and East Districts were trained in the first day and another batch of 100 green teachers from South and West Districts on the second day. The training was conducted in an interactive manner with role plays, eco-games, group discussions, AV shows and understandings on the basic needs and wants of the human nature and actions on ways to promote environment awareness and education amongst the school children for environment sustainability.



Green training programme for teachers

GANGTOK, November 27 (IPR): The 'Green Teachers Training Programme' for school teachers was inaugurated today by Forest minister T.W. Lepcha at the conference hall of Forest Secretariat here.

The minister, in his address, stated that the National Green Corps Programme is an effective environment educational tool which is being implemented both in the national as well as in State-level, while the Center for Environment (CEE) has been playing a key role as a resource agency.

Sikkim has been a part of this programme since the year 2001 and the Paryavaran Mitra Oath was taken during the World Environment Day celebration at Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok to address the

challenges of environment in the State.

Lepcha informed that the Sikkim government has constituted a State-level award scheme to acknowledge the efforts of top performing schools namely the Chief Minister's Green School Rolling Trophy which has cash prize of Rs. 5 lakhs to the top school. He requested the participants to take this opportunity to enrich one's capacity as a 'Green teacher' and lead the school eco-clubs with positive actions for environment sustainability.

The minister also released the Eco-Club handbook.

The programme also saw the presentation of best schools by CEE North East for Paryavaran Mitra Programme namely Namchi girls' senior secondary school, Lower



Forest minister T.W. Lepcha (center) along with secretary Dr. Thomas Chandy (R) and CCF C.S. Rao (L) releasing the Eco Club handbook during the inaugural session of the training programme.

Samdong secondary school and Melli Gumpa secondary school.

A grant in aid of Rs. 2,500 each provided by Union Ministry of Environment and Climate Change was also handed to five schools of north and east districts.

PCCF Dr. Thomas Chandy stated that the State government has come up with host of initiatives for upgrading environment awareness and providing knowledge and information at the school level. He informed that during 2006-07 the

department had set up 354 eco clubs under National Green Corps Programme at schools with a token financial assistance of Rs. 1,000 per school and now the number of eco clubs has been increased to 766 with one eco club in every school and an enhanced grant to Rs. 2,500 to each eco club.

The inaugural session was also attended by the CCF (Territorial Division) C.S. Rao, OSD Environment B.K. Tiwari and resource persons and around 200 selected teachers from north and east districts who will be attending the training.

Dr. Mechung demands State Civil Services Board

Kishan Morcha persist with its complaint on Sikkim Organic Mission

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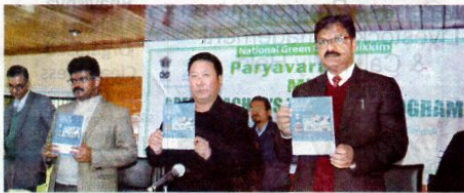
GANGTOK, November 27: The BJP's frontal organization, Kishan Morcha

Shimla and the Union minister today morning.

The delegation emphasized that Sikkim Chief Minister Pawan Chending is

"The farmers insisted that things are adverse. Farmers use chemical fertilizers and pesticides in the night. If farmers start organic farming,

Green Teachers Training Programme commences, Forest Minister released Eco-Club Handbook



Sikkim Reporter Bureau Gangtok, Nov 27

Minister for Forest Environment and Wildlife Management, Tshering Wangdi Lepcha inaugurated the Green Teachers Training Programme for the school teachers at the conference hall of the Forest Secretariat, here in the capital today.

Mr. Lepcha during his inaugural address stated that the National Green Corps Programme (NGCP) is an effective environment educational tool which is being implemented both in the national as well as in state level, while the Center for Environment (CEE) has been playing a key role as a Resource Agency.

The Minister further stated that Sikkim has been a part of this programme

since the year 2001 and the Paryavaran Mitra Oath was taken during the World Environment Day celebration on 5th June 2011 at Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok to address the challenges of environment in the state.

He also informed that the State Government has constituted a State level award scheme to acknowledge the efforts of top performing schools namely the Chief Minister's Green School Rolling Trophy which has cash prize of Rs. 5 lakhs to top school, Rs 1 lakh each to four schools from Sr. Secondary and Secondary category and Rs. 50,000 each to schools from Jr. High School and Primary school. He requested the participants to take this opportunity to

Green teacher and lead the school's eco club with positive actions for environment sustainability. Earlier during the inaugural session the Minister Mr. Lepcha also released the Eco-Club Handbook.

The programme also saw the presentation of Best Schools by CEE North East for Paryavaran Mitra Programme namely Government Girls Sr. Secondary School Namchi, Lower Samdong Secondary School and Melli Gumpa Secondary School.

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Govt of India also handed Grant in Aid of Rs. 2500 to 5 schools of North and East districts.

Dr. Thomas Chandy, PCCF cum Secretary who also addressed the gathering stated that the

State Government has come up with host of initiatives for upgrading environment awareness and providing knowledge and information at the school level.

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Now the number of eco clubs has been increased to 766 with one eco club in every school and an enhanced grant to Rs. 2500 to each Eco club, Dr. Chandy informed.

The inaugural session was also attended by the Chief Conservator Forest Territorial Division C.S. Rao, OSD Environment Mr. B.K. Tiwari and resource persons from Center for Environment (CEE) Guwahati Miss Himashree Bhattacharya, CEE Gangtok Miss Meghna Thapa, and around 200 selected teachers from North and East District who will be attending the training.

The inaugural session of the day concluded with the vote of thanks by DFO(E&S) East Mr. Sangay Bhutia. The programme will go on for two days.

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गान्तोक, २७ नोभेम्बर।

वन विभागको सचिवालयस्थित सम्मेलन कक्षमा आजदेखि दुई दिवसीय हरित शिक्षक प्रशिक्षण कार्यक्रम शुरु भयो। यस कार्यक्रमको उद्घाटन वन मन्त्री डिजिट वाट्सेले गरे। कार्यक्रमलाई सम्बोधन गर्दै मन्त्रीले पढ्नुपर्ने राष्ट्रिय ग्रीन ग्रुप कार्यक्रम एउटा प्रभावी पर्यावरण मिशन सामग्री भएको र यसलाई राष्ट्रिय राज्यव्यापी

रूपमा कार्यक्रमयन गरेको बताए। यसका निम्ति पर्यावरण केन्द्र (सीईई), ले संसाधन एजेन्सीको रूपमा महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निर्वाह गर्ने बताए। मन्त्रीअनुसार राज्यमा वर्ष २०११ देखि नै यो कार्यक्रम लागू गरिएको र ५ जून, २०११ मा आयोजित विभव पर्यावरण दिवसको अवसरमा राज्यको पर्यावरणका युनीजीवित सामग्री गर्न पर्यावरण वैज्ञानिक बन्ने गरिएको

पनि बताए। राज्य सरकारले पर्यावरण संरक्षण गर्न स्कूल र शिक्षकसहित विद्यार्थीहरूलाई प्रोत्साहन गर्दै उत्कृष्ट प्रदर्शनी गर्ने स्कूललाई पुरस्कार दिने पत्रम्भरा शुरु गरेको बताए। मुख्यमन्त्री ग्रीन स्कूल रोजिएर दुईदिनेका निम्ति रु. ५ लाख नगद पुरस्कार भएको र उच्च माध्यमिक र हाइस्कुल स्कूलका शीर्ष चार स्कूललाई रु. १ लाख प्रतिस्कूलको रहल रु ०६-११