

REPORT ON STATE LEVEL WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY CELEBRATION 2015 GANGTOK, SIKKIM



ENVIS SIKKIM REPORT: 5 JUNE, 2015: State Level World Environment Day was celebrated at the premises of Sir Tashi Namgyal Government Senior Secondary School, Development Area, Gangtok, Sikkim. The programme began with the ceremonial plantation of about 100 indigenous saplings by the Chief Guest Hon'ble Minister (RMDD) Shri S.B. Subedi, Hon'ble Minister (Forests) Shri T.W. Lepcha and other political dignitaries, Upadhaksyas, Adakhshyas, Head of Departments, officers, principals, teachers, students and general public.

The day was observed to acknowledge the effort of various schools in the State in regards to conservation and protection of the school's environment. The felicitation cum awareness programme was organised at the school auditorium.

The programme began with the welcome address by PCCF- cum- Principal Secretary Dr. Thomas Chandy by highlighting and addressing the gathering on the theme of this year's World Environment Day – "Seven billion Dreams. One Plant, consume with Care".

The Hon'ble Minister (Forests) Shri T.W. Lepcha highlighted environment achievements of the Government and appealed the people especially students to be the leader of the future and take wise step towards conserving and protecting the environment.

The Chief Guest on the occasion Hon'ble Minister (RMDD) Shri S.B. Subedi talked about the conservation of local and native trees, protection of young plants and appealed to all to be model for one another for environment protection and conservation. He also congratulated the awardee schools and Department Forests, Environment & Wildlife Management for the organising the event.

The ENVIS Centre in this Department Forests, Environment & Wildlife Management played a key role in organising World Environment Day celebration. Being the nodal agency for the environment education cell, ENVIS had scrutinised reports from about 80 schools throughout the state, conducted screenings, physical monitoring and recommended about 28 schools to

the selection committee for Chief Minister's Green School Rolling Trophy and State Green School Award 2015. The Sr. Programme Officer who is also the member secretary of the screening community for this award had made detail presentation to the selection community on 1st of June 2015 after which the following school was selected and presented the state level Green school award on this day by the Chief Guest:

SN.	SCHOOLS NAME	AWARDS
1.	Sonamati Memorial, Government Sr. Sec. School, Khamdong, East Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakhs
2.	Government Senior Secondary School, Hee-Yangthang, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
3.	Government Secondary School, Singhik, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
4.	Government Secondary School, South Regu, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
5.	Government Sr. Sec. School, Yangyang, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
6.	Government Junior High School, Rabitar, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
7.	Government Primary School, Titribotey, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
8.	St. Xavier's School, Pakyong, East Sikkim (Pvt.)	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-

Besides, the Chief Guest also handed away token grants of Rs. 2500/- to four school Eco-Clubs under the National Green Corps Programme which is being coordinated in State of Sikkim by ENVIS Cell of this department. Schools granted the funds on the day are namely:

1. Sir Tashi Namgyal Government Senior Secondary School, East Sikkim.
2. Tadong Government Senior Secondary School, East Sikkim.
3. Deorali Government Girls Senior Secondary School, East Sikkim.
4. West Point Government Girls Senior Secondary School, East Sikkim.

A short documentary of about 10 minutes prepared and published by ENVIS on “Green School Programme Sikkim” was also projected for display to the dignity and gathering during celebration. The video has also been uploaded in the ENVIS Sikkim website



ENVIS Centre publication on Nepali vernacular language highlighting the environment initiative of the Government of Sikkim from 1995 to 2015 was also released during the Press Conference on 4th of June 2015 by the Hon'ble Forest Minister Shri T.W. Lepcha.

The WED programme on 5th June 2015 ended by the vote of thanks by Principal Scientist (SPCB) Shri Gopal Pradhan.

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Plantation by Hon'ble Minister (Forests)



Release of Eco-Club Grants to Schools



State Green Schools Award



Address by Hon'ble Minister (RMDD)



State Green Schools Awardees – 2015