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World Ozone Day 2017 with the UNEP theme “Caring for all life under the sun” was observed and celebrated across the State of Sikkim on the 16th day of September 2017 with several pre-event and during the event activities. Sikkim State ENVIS Centre at Forests, Environment & Wildlife Management Department, Government of Sikkim, also functioning as a part of the State Nodal Agency for National Green Corps School Eco-Club programme coordinated and conducted the following activities from 11th September to 16th September 2017 to commemorate the 30th anniversary of Montreal Protocol for the preservation of ozone layer that supports entire life on earth;

1. Painting and Slogan writing competition at about 400 eco-club schools of the State on the theme “Protection of Ozone layer”; and submission of best entries in the ozone portal www.ozone30mp.nic.in
2. Wide Publicity through ENVIS portal (<http://sikenvis.nic.in/ViewEvents.aspx?Id=5359&Year=2017>); Publicity through digital billboard at Forest Secretariat premise of Gangtok; Dissemination of posters in print, videos to schools at rural areas through block administrative centres.
3. Coordination of rally/ banner campaign/ signature campaign/ morning assembly speech by school students across the State.
4. Awareness/ video screening at various schools of the State; and at Forest Secretariat for schools at Gangtok, the capital town of Sikkim.
5. **Field Activity: Outreach interactive programme amongst students and electronic vendors/ service centers/ local people / tourists**

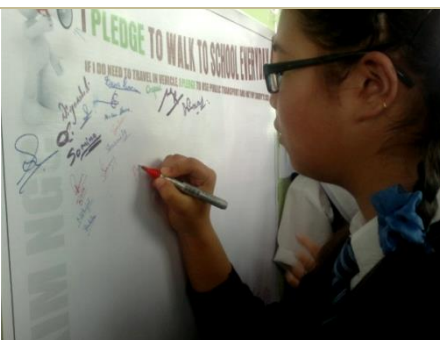
Active and energetic participation of school students and teachers were observed throughout the event. Amongst all events organised, field activity cum interactive outreach programme amongst the school students with the electronic vendor at the service centre was a unique experience for the students and noted as an effective sensitization drive. Both the students and the vendor shared information on the need to protect the ozone layer particularly by following safe practices of repair and dumping of appliances that could have harmful ozone depleting substances. ENVIS centre coordinated this event with the students of Government Girls Senior Secondary School, Deorali, Gangtok East Sikkim by taking them to a nearby Samsung Service Centre where they interacted with the service engineer Mr Benu Sharma.

(Photographs of various events are followed in next page)

Some Photographs of State-wide Celebration of World Ozone Day 2017



Painting competition at schools



Signature campaign on green pledge



Morning assembly programme



Rally / banner campaign by students across the State



Publicity through digital boards



Screening at Forest Secretariat



Video ppt by students/ teachers



Painting and slogan writing competition at schools



Interactive programme at Samsung Service Centre