

# Sikkim

# Eco-Club e-Newsletter

## ENVIRONMENT EDUCATION PROGRAMME (EEP)

Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim

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### Monitoring of Environment Education Programme

During February 2025, Consultants from the Environment Education Programme (EEP) Cell, New Delhi along with officials from Forest and Environment Department visited the six Eco-Club Schools in respective districts. These were PM Shri Government Girls' Senior Secondary School Deorali, PM Shri Government Junior High School Adampool, PM Shri Government Senior Secondary School Rumtek, PM Shri Government Senior Secondary School Rangpo, Government Senior Secondary School Melli Bazar and Government Senior Secondary School Kitam. The officials interacted with Eco Club coordinators, green teachers and students and also inspected some of the focal environmental initiatives in the school, such as Eco Corner, Herbal Garden, Craft Room, waste to arts exhibits, Vermicomposting pit, Kitchen Garden, zero waste initiatives, no dustbin policy. The visiting team appreciated the schools for their sustainability efforts.

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**Great Bird Backyard Count**  
14-17 February, 2025

- Watch and Count Birds around you
- Join thousands of others in this India-wide event
- Upload your sightings through eBird Mobile App

Venue: Forest Secretariat, Deorali  
Date: 15. 02. 2025  
Time: 9 AM  
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### Great Bird Backyard Count

Amidst National Birdwatching campaign, the Great Bird Backyard count was scheduled on February 14-17, 2025 wherein eco-club students and teachers participated in numbers. The activity involved observing and counting birds with the motive to instill bird conservation in young minds. This initiative of eBird India was given a huge support by youths and students of the State.

### WASTE TO ART

As new academic session begin in Sikkim Schools, Eco-club of Government Secondary School Duga initiated an educational activity promoting Reduce, Reuse, Recycle by encouraging students to transform discarded items into decorative. The activity is an outcome of the skilling acquired through EEP workshops. The students and teachers are making efforts to propagate the skills.

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### National Green Schools Award

On 4 February, PM Shri Govt. Sr. Sec. School Namchi received the National Green Schools Award from CSE at India Habitat Centre. Among 10,000 schools, only 150 were rated Green for 2024-25, with Namchi the only northeast school in the top 100. The school credits its decade-long sustainability efforts to EEP Eco-Club programme.

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### NATURE CAMP FOR ECO-CLUB

The Eco-club of Government Senior Secondary School Lingdok got a wonderful opportunity to embark on an adventurous two days nature camp at Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary, Golitar, with 55 students, escort teachers, MoEF&CC officials, Sikkim EEP Team, wildlife experts and guides from Forest Department. Activities included Nature walk, Bird watching and Trekking to Tinjurey. On the second Day, students visited the Himalayan Zoological Park, where they observed various wildlife such as Himalayan Black Bear, Red Panda, Himalayan Griffon Vulture, Ring-necked Pheasant, Indian Peafowl, Goral, Yaks, Wild Big Cart.

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