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FOREWORD

Sikkim, a small state covering just 0.2% of the geographical area of the country has tremendous biological diversity and has been identified as one of the 36 global biodiversity hot-spots. The undue credit for such varied biodiversity goes to its unique geographical location and the peculiar characteristics of this Himalayan region.

To stimulate awareness and action catalysing young minds, Environment Education Programme of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India has been the most effective programme at intuitional school level. This programme has reached to almost all eco-club schools and colleges of Sikkim as an action based environment education programme. EEP in Sikkim state is also supported by the State Government with the implementation of State Green Schools Audit Programme in all Sr. Secondary and Secondary, Jr. High School, Primary School, Private School and Colleges enhancing the environment management system at schools/ colleges and neighborhood.

Students are a great catalyst in bringing change in the mindset of general people and we do hope to continue to spread environment education awareness and training through Eco-Clubs with doable actions for promoting sustainable lifestyle. Environment Education Programme 2022-23 has strengthened the LiFE actions. We are optimistic about further strengthening of Environment Education Programme being implemented in Sikkim and look forward for extended support from the Ministry.

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In this era of drastic climate change, awareness among the people has become an important agenda to help people understand the anthropogenic effects on environment. Likewise, National Green Corps (NGC) erstwhile programme sponsored by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India had set up eco-clubs in schools and colleges to take up environment related activities.

The main objective of the revamped Environment Education Programme is to spread environment awareness among the school children and college going youths with the focus on active involvement of the students in action-oriented drives for promoting sustainable lifestyle. The programme also visualizes the role of students as agents of change and active ambassadors of Mission LiFe – Lifestyle for Environment among the public at large.

EEP Sikkim is being coordinated by the State Environment Agency, an autonomous body, constituted by the Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim.

National Green Corps programme and EEP – Sikkim at a glance:

- 🌿 **2002:** NGC programme setup with a financial aid of Rs.1000/- per eco-club.
- 🌿 **2006:** NGC programme strengthened with the establishment of 354 eco-clubs with a financial grant of Rs. 2500/- per eco-club.
- 🌿 **2009:** Green Schools Programme (GSP) launched. *Sikkim is the first state in the country to launch GSP at the state-level.*
- 🌿 **2010:** 123 Green Teachers appointed and trained. GSP launched in all 182 Sr. Sec. and Sec level schools.
- 🌿 **2011:** 182 Green teachers provided two days training. Environment kits like biodiversity register, environment activity register, environment calendar, NGC caps and badges, permanent banners to celebrate environment calendar days in schools provided. State Green School Awards instituted with the most prestigious Chief Minister’s Green School Rolling Trophy with the cash prizes up to Rs. 5 lakhs to top five green schools of the state.
- 🌿 **2012:** NGC extended to Junior High Schools (JHS). Environment kits like waste segregation bins, white boards, biodiversity register and so on provided to all 197 JHS.
- 🌿 **2013:** 100 Green teachers provided one day training for Paryavaran Mitra.
- 🌿 **2014:** 200 Green teachers provided two days training under the NGC Programme and also published Eco – club hand book and distributed all over the state eco club school.
- 🌿 **2015:** 250 Green teachers provided three days training.
- 🌿 **2016:** 280 Green teachers provided three days training.
- 🌿 **2017:** 300 Green teachers provided three days training.
- 🌿 **2018:** 300 Green teachers provided three days training, NGC extended to Private School and Colleges.
- 🌿 **2019:** 340 Green teachers provided four days training, Capacity Building Activities (CBA) & National Nature Camping Programme (NNCP).
- 🌿 **2020:** 240 Green teachers provided four days training. NGC fund release to 417 Eco-Clubs
- 🌿 **2021:** 161 Green Teachers underwent online training. NGC fund released to 856 Eco-Clubs.
- 🌿 **2022:** 310 Green teachers provided training
- 🌿 **2023:** 60 schools under Zero Waste Initiatives, 500 students in nature camps

This report attempts to reflect the efforts of the students and teachers in bringing about positive change in the schools’ environment in terms of practices followed to improve the quality, usage and sustainability of Land, Air, Water, Waste and Energy resources in their ultimate strive to become green schools of the nation and also environmentally responsible citizen in the near future.

Format for Annual Reporting:

SN	Date of Event	Details of Initiative (In Brief only)	Category (A/B)	Number of Days of Camp, in case of Category	District(s) covered (Number)	District (s) covered (Name)	Number of Children participated	Number of Youth participated (College/etc.)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1.	23.02.2023	Workshop on Zero Waste Initiatives	A	-	3	Gangtok, Pakyong, Mangan	60	30
2.	24.02.2023	Workshop on Zero Waste Initiatives	A	-	3	Namchi, Soreng, Gyalshing	60	-
3.	During the month of March, 2023	Nature Camps (10 nos)	B	2	6	Gangtok, Pakyong, Mangan, Namchi, Soreng, Gyalshing	400	100

For the column a (4):

A: Financial Assistant for organizing Sustainable lifestyle workshops/projects/exhibitions/campaigns/competitions

B: Financial Assistant for organizing Nature Camps/Summer Vacation Camps



LiFE
Lifestyle for Environment



Report on DIY project on Zero Waste Initiatives By Eco-Clubs of School/Colleges/Universities Under Environment Education Programme 2022-23



Report on Workshop on Zero Waste Initiatives held for 60 schools and colleges of Sikkim held on 23rd-24th February, 2023:



Day 1 (23rd February, 2023) for Gangtok, Pakyong and Mangan District



Day 2 (24th February, 2023) for Namchi, Soreng and Gyalshing District

ENVIS Hub at Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim organized a two-day peer educator's workshop on Zero Waste Initiatives on 23rd and 24th February 2023 at Forest Conference Hall, Deorali, Gangtok. The workshop was participated by 120 students and 60 teachers from 60 schools/colleges across the State. The programme was conducted as a part of Mission LiFE – Lifestyle for Environment campaign (2022-2028) under the Environment Education Programme (EEP) supported by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

The zero-waste mantra of Reflect-Switch-Demand based on toolkits focusing on waste and brand auditing and 12 key steps for zero waste developed by Zero Waste Himalaya was broadly elaborated amongst the participants by the subject expert Ms. Priyadarshinee Shrestha. School teachers and the students were provided zero waste skills to enable them to further engage with eco-clubs, youth clubs etc at their schools and colleges with hands-on DIY activities for making zero waste possible. It was envisaged to minimize waste at source through lifestyle choices to minimize and negate the impact on landfill. The workshop also motivated the students to be agents of change and pass on their reflections and demand positive action at the community level. As a support to this initiative, Forest and Environment Department provided token grant of Rs.5000/- each to the participating schools/ colleges along with other resource materials.

The inaugural session had the presence of Shri B.B Gurung IFS, Director (ENVIS) cum Nodal Officer (EEP-Eco-Club Programme), Smt Kusum Gurung, Joint Director (ENVIS) and Shri Rajen Pradhan, Senior Programme Officer (ENVIS) as other speakers.



Report Summary

State Environment Agency at Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim has been identified as the State Nodal Agency conducted workshop on Zero Waste Initiative to Eco-club coordinator and Eco-club members on 23rd-24th February, 2023 under Environment Education Programme FY 2022-23.

The two days along workshop on Zero Waste Initiative was provided to Eco-club coordinator and Eco-club member on 23rd -24th February, 2023. The expert for the workshop was Ms. Priyadarshinee Shreatha from Zero Waste Himalaya. During the workshop, provided zero waste skills to enable them to further engage with eco-clubs, youth clubs etc at their schools and colleges with hands-on DIY activities for making zero waste possible. It was envisaged to minimize waste at source through lifestyle choices to minimize and negate the impact on landfill.

Eco-club members conducted cleanliness drive at school compound, nearby villages/ towns, monastery and bird sanctuary. Waste was collected and segregated and waste brand audit was conducted and students upload the photo demanding the companies to take back their waste. During the workshop, it was directed to upload the details of waste on the KOBO apps. While doing those activities it gives knowledge and also motivated every students as well as teachers to be mindful of their purchase and reduce plastic waste as soon as possible. Students took oath of keeping surroundings clean and purchasing less use of plastics.

The mission LiFE posters distributed by SNA during the workshop was pasted on school notice boards as well as public places intending the message to be reached to each and every individuals.

List of Eco-club schools/college/university participated in Zero Waste Initiative workshop:

SN	Name of schools
Gangtok District	
1.	Deorali, Government Girls Sr. Secondary School
2.	Sir Tashi Namgyal Government Sr. Secondary School
3.	Enchey, Government Sr. Secondary School
4.	Singtam, Government Sr. Secondary School
5.	Westpoint, Government Sr. Secondary School
6.	Nazitam, Government Secondary School
7.	Penlong, Government Secondary School
8.	Burtuk, Government Secondary School
9.	NBBD Government Colleg Tadong
10.	Sikkim University 6 th Mile
Pakyong District	
1.	Assamlingzey, Government Sr. Secondary School
2.	Dikling, Government Sr. Secondary School
3.	Mamring, Government Sr. Secondary School
4.	Namcheybong, Government Sr. Secondary School
5.	Rhenock, Government Sr. Secondary School
6.	Aho- Shanti Government Secondary School
7.	Bordang Government Secondary School
8.	Linkey, Government Secondary School
9.	Chanatar Rangpo, Government Secondary School
10.	Dalapchen, Government Secondary School
Mangan District	
1.	Mangan Government Sr. Secondary School
2.	Hee- Gyathang Government Sr. Secondary School
3.	Kalzang Gyatso Kabi, Government Sr. Secondary School
4.	Mangshila, Government Sr. Secondary School
5.	Mangan Girls, Government Secondary School
6.	Passingdong, Government Secondary School
7.	Singhik, Government Secondary School
8.	Gor, Government Secondary School
9.	Phensong, Government Secondary School
10.	Manul, Government Secondary School
Namchi District	
1.	Kitam Government Sr. Secondary School
2.	Nandugon Government Sr. Secondary School
3.	Namchi, Government Sr. Secondary School
4.	Namchi, Government Girls Sr. Secondary School
5.	Maniram Government Secondary School

SN	Name of schools
6.	Rabitar Government Secondary School
7.	Melli Bazar Government Sr. Secondary School
8.	Salghari Government Secondary School
9.	Bikmat Government Sr. Secondary School
Soreng District	
1.	Chota Samdong Government Sr. Secondary School
2.	Chakung Government Sr. Secondary School
3.	Mangalbaria Government Sr. Secondary School
4.	Daramdin Government Sr. Secondary School
5.	Kamling Government Sr. Secondary School
6.	Tharpu Government Sr. Secondary School
7.	Hathidhunga Government Secondary School
8.	Rinchenpong Government Secondary School
9.	Zoom Government Secondary School
Gyalshing District	
1.	Dentam, Government Sr. Secondary School
2.	Gerethang, Government Sr. Secondary School
3.	Lingchom, Government Sr. Secondary School
4.	Pelling, Government Sr. Secondary School
5.	Sakyong, Government Sr. Secondary School
6.	Gyalshing Government Girls Sr. Secondary School
7.	Legship, Government Sr. Secondary School
8.	M. Gyalshing Government Secondary School
9.	Sardong, Government Secondary School
10.	Tashiding Government Sr. Secondary School

Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Tashiding**
District : **Gyalshing Sikkim (West District)**
No. of participants : **35 nos.**
Date of start : **27/02/2023**
Date of End : **28/03/2023**

Eco-club members observed a mass clean-up in the school and its surrounding areas to conduct waste counting and a brand audit. This clean-up was successfully carried out by all the students in collaboration with eco-club members. While segregating the waste, it was found that the plastic packaging for products and drinks was the major component of the waste. The top brands in our audit were found to be String, Tedhe Medhe, and Lays, which are the products of the PepsiCo company. This clean-up drive gives us knowledge and also motivates every student and teacher to be mindful of their purchases and reduce plastic waste as much as possible.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Nazitam**
District : **Gangtok Sikkim (East district)**
No. of Participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **27/02/2023**
Date of End : **01/03/2023**

Eco-club members organized a cleanliness drive at the school and nearby areas. The objective of the drive was to create awareness in the community regarding the hazard caused by the plastics. As the school surroundings were much cleaner, we took the opportunity to clean the monastery, which was nearby our school surroundings. We gathered the waste material, and students were assigned to segregate the waste products according to brand. After segregation and counting, the waste materials were disposed of.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Bordang**
District : **Pakyong Sikkim (East District)**
No. of Participants : **30 nos.**
Date of start : **27/02/2023**
Date of end : **28/02/2023**

Eco-club members of Government Secondary School Bordang organised a cleanliness drive on February 27 and 28, 2023. The objective of the drive was to create awareness about the hazards of using plastic items. On February 27, students and the teacher cleaned the surrounding area by picking up all the plastic and waste materials. Students have been divided into 3 groups, and each group was assigned to specific work, viz., cleaning, segregation, and counting. After cleaning the surrounding area, all the waste was collected into rags. On the next day, that is, February 28, 2023, students segregated the waste products according to the brands; after that, they counted them according to the brands and uploaded them in the Kobo collection app.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Burtuk**
District : **Gangtok Sikkim (East District)**
No. of participants : **70 nos.**
Date of start : **27/02/2023**
Date of end : **28/02/2023**

Government Secondary School Burtuk Eco-club members organised cleanliness drive at school premises. The main purposes of the programme was to create awarness among the Students regarding cleanliness drive and its impact. All the students from class 6-10 is actively particated along with the teachers.Groups were made for collection segregation and counitng of waste and then all the information were uploded in Kobocollect App. Thereafter students were giving healthy food.In the end we all took Oath of keeping our surrounding clean



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Chakung**
District : **Soreng Sikkim (West District)**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **27/02/2023**
Date of end : **1/03/2023**

Eco-club members conducted a brand audit in the school premises. After the audit, the biodegradable waste was dumped into the newly constructed pit in the school premise and the non-biodegradable waste was loaded into the garbage collector vehicle. The mission LiFE pamphlets provided by the ENVIS were pasted at different notice boards of the school as well as the public places intending the message to be reached to each and every individual as much as possible.



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School
Kripasalyan Daramdin**
District : **Soreng Sikkim (West District)**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **28/02/2023**
Date of end : **01/03/2023**

Eco-club organised a cleanliness drive within the School compound to conduct waste Segregation and brand audit. This programme was successfully carried out by Eco-club members. While segregation the waste the top brand in our audit was wai-wai of Chaudhary group.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Gor**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North Sikkim)**
No. of participants : **60 nos.**
Date of start : **28/02/2023**
Date of end : **2/03/2023**

Government Secondary School Gor Eco-club conducted activities on Zero wastes initiatives as directed by Forest Deptt. Govt. Of Sikkim ie Himalayan clean up. We first did the pledge of Himalayan cleanup and then we pick up all plastic and other trash from our school and roadside till upto one kilometre of distance. The drive was also attended by guardians and Health and Wellness Centre representative Ms Dawa Lhamu Bhutia (Sister) with our students and teachers. The total wastes collected was 7 kg which is 1266 pieces of trash/wastes made up of wrappers, plastic bottles etc. The wastes are sorted out and cleaned and are let out to dry which will be used as we are already doing from 2018 onwards to make decorative dolls, wind chimes, decorative hangings, fencings, roofing for sitting shed ,flower pot ,cushions and for our small model greenhouse. We have been doing our best to recycle and reuse plastic wastes and will continue to do so and still try to bring out the innovative reuse of plastic wastes as our very small role for minimising pollution by plastic wastes.we successfully conducted this activity and also posted in the KOBO app as directed by the Forest Deptt.



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Gerethang**
District : **Gyalshing Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **30 nos.**
Date of start : **1/03/2023**
Date of end : **2/03/2023**

Eco Club members of Govt. SSS Gerethang carried out massive cleanliness drive in an around school campus and Daragoan Village and collected huge number of plastics and other bottles. These collected plastics and bottles were sorted out as per their companies' brands.



Name of School : **Government Girls Senior Secondary School Deorali**
District : **Gangtok Sikkim (East Sikkim)**
No. of participants : **80 nos.**
Date of start : **27/02/2023**
Date of end : **01/03/2023**

Eco Club members of Govt. Girls SSS Deorali carried out massive cleanliness drive in an around school and collected lots of chips wrappers and cold drink bottles. The LiFE poster was put on EHC boards and surrounding to create awareness on Mission LiFE. Door to door awareness campaign was also conducted.



Name of School : **NBB Degree College Tadong**
District : **Gangtok Sikkim (East district)**
No. of participants : **50+ nos.**
Date of start : **24/02/2023**
Date of end : **24/02/2023**

SUMMARY:

A Cleanliness Drive and waste segregation programme was carried by Botanical Society (Eco Club) at Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College, Tadong on 24th January 2023. The drive was supported by ENVIS, Forest and Environment Department, Govt. of Sikkim. The programme mainly aims to promote behaviour change for strengthening waste segregation and provide opportunity to understand Waste Management concepts through live interaction and participation.

The program started with briefing of importance of Zero waste Management by Dr. Nima Tshering Lepcha (Assistant Professor, Dept of Botany). He also highlighted the role of every individual in tackling waste and sustainable practices and urged young minds to be the ambassador of hope for the society. He highlighted the different policies and work done by the state government and share the information related to zero waste management. The drive had participation of 50+ students from UG III Semester, UG V Semester and PG III Semester from Department of Botany along with other members from Eco Club.

CLEANLINES DRIVE:

Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College is situated at Tadong, heart of capital City. It is considered to as the Premium Institution of Sikkim, which is renowned for its academic excellence. More than 4000 students are enrolled in the institutions under various UG and PG programmes. The Eco-Club observed unattended waste in various areas that require an immediate cleanliness drive.

The cleanliness drive commenced from the 'Dr. Mahendra Pradhan Memorial Botanical Garden' and collected waste throughout the way till Department of Botany which was a stretch of about 400 m. Several bags of waste were collected containing all sorts of discarded non recyclable items. The different principle of waste management was discussed among the participants after the cleanliness drive. The sample of total waste collected was segregated to correctly identify the type waste that is generated. Then, in order to understand the nature and constituents of the waste, a random stratified sampling method was carried out where the taken sample was segregated into 13 different items. These items were in their respective proportions which are depicted below in the pie chart.

RESULT & DISCUSSION:



The segregation and study of waste gave us a rough idea of the constituents of waste that is generated in our college premises. As the pie chart suggests, the major chunk of waste comes from glass and plastic bottle which constitute 15% each followed by chips plastic (13% mainly multi-layered), cardboard and paper (10%) were the five major constituents. These materials are hazards for our environment and also for human subsistence. Plastic bottles and packets may result in clogging of drains which may lead to unwanted mishap. Such plastic not only threatens our fragile ecology but also destroys the aesthetic beauty of our college.

So, in order to avoid the aforementioned situations, a proactive step must be initiated.

Stimulating the consumption of drinks and chips inside the college premises can be a great start. This will not only preserve our nature but will also help in building a healthier environment.

- Complete ban on use of plastic packaged consumables during all official and unofficial events inside the college premises should be encouraged.
- Organizing awareness programmes involving students can greatly help in reducing our plastic. Regular interaction with students will further help in improving this initiative altogether.
- Workshops and panel discussion can be organized in regular intervals.

These are just small suggestions on what can be done. There are a lot of other ways by which we can make NBBGC one of the best colleges in terms of cleanliness and aesthetic beauty. Such small steps today can make a huge impact tomorrow.

(The data represented above are achieved by Probability Sampling Method and may not represent actual collected data)



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Assamlingzey**
District : **Pakyong Sikkim (East district)**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **03/03/2023**
Date of end : **06/03/2023**

Cleanliness and segregation of different brands was carried out by members of eco club at school premises and surroundings.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Singhik**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North district)**
No. of participants : **40**
Date of start : **04/03/2023**
Date of end : **06/03/2023**

Eco-club of Government Secondary School Singhik has conducted a mass cleanliness drive in and around school premises, during which huge amount of plastic waste of different varieties was collected and segregated accordingly, we have kept the record of manufacturing companies so that we can search in the near future. Further to utilize these waste a resource person from Singhik Sentam SHG visited our school, she trained our children to make different useful things/ articles of plastic waste. All together it was a great step towards “learning by doing”.



Name of School : **Government Girls Secondary School Mangan**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North Sikkim)**
No. of participants : **60 nos.**
Date of start : **4/03/2023**
Date of end : **6/03/2023**

Eco Club members of Govt. Girls Secondary Schools Mangan carried out massive cleanliness drive at Helipad Mangan. During the cleanliness drive lots of chips wrapper, water bottle etc. found and waste was segregated. Total non-plastic waste collected 33 pieces and plastic waste collected 961 pieces.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Phensong**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North District)**
No. of participants : **50**
Date of start : **03/03/2023**
Date of end : **04/03/2023**

The Eco club activity was conducted under the direction of Mr Den Tshering Lepcha teacher of Phensong Secondary School, North Sikkim and also “Green Teacher “ with Eco-club members.

Students from classes 6 to 10 showed active participation while doing these, activities it was insightful and a learning opportunity for the students.

The activities were as follows:

1. Segregated the branded trash according to the brand.
2. The students counted the number of pieces of each brand.

In the future days to come, we will be actively involving the students for this kind of activities.



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Bikmat**
District : **Namchi Sikkim (South district)**
No. of participants : **60 nos.**
Date of start : **28/02/2023**
Date of end : **02/03/2023**

Eco club Government Senior Secondary School Bikmat organized a mass cleanliness drive for “zero waste and waste segregation” where in the morning assembly the students took an oath for not littering in an around school compound and also a short speech was delivered by Bisen Subba Sir about zero waste. After that all the students senior and junior along with the guidance and participation of eco club segregated the waste in 2 different types:1. Solid (2) wet waste.



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Melli Bazar**
District : **Namchi Sikkim (South district)**
No. of participants : **80 nos.**
Date of start : **03/03/2023**
Date of end : **04/03/2023**

Government Sr. Sec. School Melli Bazar initiated the waste and brand audit with oath taking ceremony in morning assembly followed by segregation of waste in and around school surrounding. The waste so collected was segregated. Not only segregation, the management of waste is also in pipeline.

The top three pollutants were:-

1. Centerfruit
2. Mama puntey
3. Lays

This provides enough food for thought to reduce our wants, switch towards zero waste lifestyle and be careful about choices.



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Kitam**
District : **Namchi Sikkim (South district)**
No. of participants : **80**
Date of start : **04/03/2023**
Date of end : **08/03/2023**

Kitam SSS Eco-club organised a cleanliness drive at school premises and surrounding areas. On 8th March 2023 Eco-club organised nature trail to nearby bird century on the occasion of international woman's day. Panchayat president, SMC chairperson, other members of SMC, Principal, staff n students participate in the programme led by birding guides, which began at 6: 30 am in the morning. A cleanliness drive around the watch tower was also conducted and the waste so collected will be audit.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Dentam**
District : **Gyalshing Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **28/02/2023**
Date of end : **02/03/2023**

Dentam S.S.S Eco-club members conduct a cleanliness drive programme in an around school premises and Dentam bazar. After segregation of collected waste we found "TEDHE MEDHE" chips from ITC was much more.



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Legship**
District : **Gyalshing Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **60 nos.**
Date of start : **1/03/2023**
Date of end : **3/03/2023**

Eco Club of Legship SSS carried out cleanliness drive under the banner 'Zero Waste Management' in the vicinity of Legship Bazar covering in and around school area. Students from the school participated on the stated drive & collected trash & plastic wastes which is harmful to environmental health & human health. Students further segregated the branded trash according to the brand. This cleanliness drive was conducted to raise awareness, mobilize people & ensure their participation in making India Clean. "Cleanliness is not a one day activity. Let us embrace it as a part of our own lifestyle".




Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Mangan**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North district)**
No. of participants : **60 nos.**
Date of start : **03/03/2023**
Date of end : **06/03/2023**

The Green Warriors consisting of thirty-three students from Class X headed by Chief Warrior Mr Dilip Pradhan along with other teachers Mr [Krsna Sharma](#), Mr Tashi Topden Bhutia, Mr [Dupden Lepcha](#) and Mr Samson Karki conducted the first Himalayan Clean up from Mangan Traffic Point to the school gate covering the stretch of 1.5 km approximately. We were astonished to collect 2382 pieces weighing 58.86 kg of TRASH. The majority of the waste collected was packets from Junk food and ill managed waste from the regular household carelessly thrown in the neighbourhood making the environment dirty.

Also, it is pertinent to mention that our school has been following the No Junk No Plastic policy since last year and this year the school has pledged to follow the No Dustbin Policy in the classroom to keep control of the waste.

Below is the list of waste collected by the students and data segregation done with the help of the kobo app

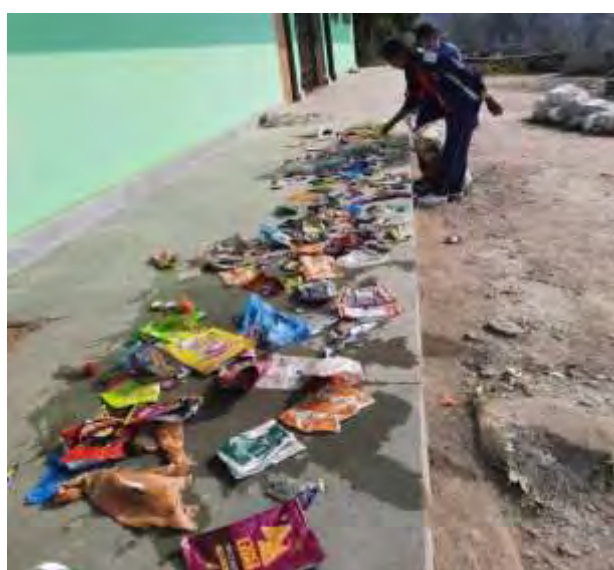
1. Total Non-Plastic waste collected: 40 pieces weighing 7.8 kgs
2. Total plastic waste collected 2342 pieces weighing 50.86 kgs
3. Plastic waste: 137 recyclable  pieces
4. Non Plastic waste: 2205 non-recyclable pieces.

The school management has also pledged to involve the community and clean up Mangan in the next clean-up drive and hereby pleads to the public to keep the environment CLEAN and GREEN the way it should be.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Rinchenpong**
District : **Soreng Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **60 nos.**
Date of start : **03/03/2023**
Date of end : **06/03/2023**

Eco-club member of Rinchenpong SS conducted a cleanliness drive in an around school campus. Cleaning and drying up of waste material that is plastics and plastics bottle to reuse by making plastics basket ,wind-Cham, pot ,etc. LiFE poster was used to make awarness in schools.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Passingdong**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North district)**
No. of participants : **25 nos.**
Date of start : **03/03/2023**
Date of end : **04/03/2023**

Eco-club member of Passingdong Secondary School did the activities of Zero Waste Initiatives by doing cleanliness drive at nearby village road side and jhoras and segregated the waste and upload the details on Kobo apps.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Chanatar Rangpo**
District : **Pakyong Sikkim (East district)**
No. of participants : **50**
Date of start : **1/03/2023**
Date of end : **3/03/2023**

Chanatar Rangpo SS members of the eco club cleaned up, collected, and separated waste such as single-use plastics, sweet wrappers, tetra-pack pouches, tin cans, thermocol, papers, and pens in and around school premises. The segregated waste collected was measured and recorded for auditing purposes for the Eco Club's upcoming Green School Program.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Rabitar**
District : **Namchi Sikkim (South district)**
No. of participants : **30 nos.**
Date of start : **2/03/2023**
Date of end : **4/03/2023**

ZERO WASTE & WASTE SEGERATION under the flagship of LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) and ENVIS SIKKIM were carried on successfully by Eco-Club Govt. Sec. School Rabitar under Namchi district today on 4th of March 2023. The campaign began with the collection of waste material moving in and around the school premises. It was segregated thoroughly by all the members of Eco Club.

The main objective of this kind of drive was to identify the source of pollution and realization of accountability from our part. The cleanliness activities and audit of collected waste material was also conducted by the Eco-Club of Rabitar SS.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Kamling**
District : **Soreng Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **60**
Date of start : **02/03/2023**
Date of end : **04/03/2023**

Eco-club of Kamling conducted cleanliness, where they would collect the plastic waste from their home to the school.



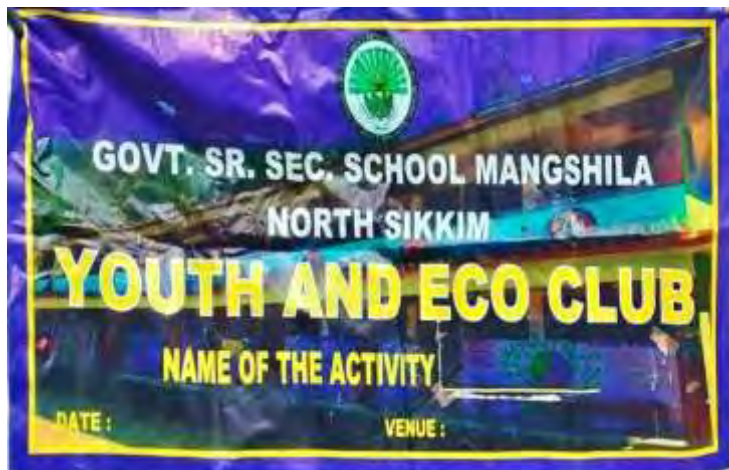
Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Pelling**
District : **Gyalshing Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **1/03/2023**
Date of end : **02/03/2023**

Government Senior Secondary School Pelling Eco-club conducted cleanliness drive in school compound. The programme was successfully conducted counting of waste and brand audit.



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Mangshila**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North district)**
No. of participants : **30 nos.**
Date of start : **27/02/2023**
Date of end : **01/03/2023**

Eco-club conducted cleanliness at school premises and surrounding area, during the cleanliness drive waste collected 180 pieces of wai wai cover, sting and sweet wrappers.



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Dikling**
District : **Pakyong Sikkim (East district)**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **07/03/2023**
Date of end : **10/03/2023**

Collection and segregation of single use plastic around the premises by Eco-club member of Dikling Senior Secondary School. Display of LiFE posters on Dikling school notice board.



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Chota Samdong**
District : **Soreng Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **28/02/2023**
Date of end : **02/03/2023**

Government Senior Secondary School Chota Samdong conducted cleanliness drive and waste brand audit.



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Enchey**
District : **Gangtok Sikkim (East district)**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **04/03/2023**
Date of end : **07/03/2023**

Eco-club activity conducted cleanliness drive at school premise and surrounding area and segregation of waste for further management was carried at Enchey Senior Secondary School.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Maniram**
District : **Namchi Sikkim (South district)**
No. of participants : **60 nos.**
Date of start : **02/03/2023**
Date of end : **03/03/2023**

Eco-club member of Maniram SS conducted cleanliness drive at school compoud. Segeration of waste and waste Brand Audit was done.



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Hee-Gyathang**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North district)**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **09/03/2023**
Date of end : **10/03/2023**

Eco-club member of Government Sr. Secondary School Hee-Gyathang conducted himalayan cleanup Activity in and out school compound and nearby villages. The waste collected was segregated and waste brand audit was done. At last the detail was uploaded on KOCO apps.



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Sakyong**
District : **Gyalshing Sikkim (West district)**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **01/03/2023**
Date of end : **03/03/2023**

A cleanliness drive in an around school campus and road sides on 3/3/23 and collected plastic waste and the waste top brand in our audit was chukli chachi(it's like a chocolate in which varieties of fake notes are available inside the packet) organised by the eco-club of Govt.sr.sec.school Sakyong Gyalshing District.



Name of School : **Government Sr. Secondary School Namchi**
District : **Namchi Sikkim (South district)**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **28/02/2023**
Date of end : **02/03/2023**

Eco-club member conducted collection of waste from school compound and waste brand audit was done.





Report on Nature Camping Programme by Eco-Clubs School/Colleges/Universities Under Environment Education Programme 2022-23



List of Eco-club schools/college/university participated in Nature Camp Programme:

SN	Name of schools
1.	Sir Tashi Namgyal Sr. Secondary School, Gangtok District
2.	NBBD Tadong College, Gangtok District
3.	Sikkim University, 6 th Mile, Gangtok District
4.	Government Secondary School Burtuk, Gangtok District
5.	Government Secondary School Bordang, Pakyong District
6.	Government Secondary School Linkey, Pakyong District
7.	Government Secondary School Phensong, Mangan District
8.	Government Sr. Secondary School Melli Bazar, Namchi District
9.	Government Girls Sr. Secondary School Gyalshing, Gyalshing District
10.	Government Sr. Secondary School Daramdin, Soreng District

Name of School : **Government Secondary School Burtuk**
District : **Gangtok Sikkim (East district)**
Venue : **Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary, Golitar**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **18/03/2023**
Date of end : **19/03/2023**



A nature walk was organised by the Eco club of Burtuk Secondary School catalysed and supported by ENVIS (Forest & Environment Department, Government of Sikkim) on March 18th -19th 2023 to Golitar, which is a part of The Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary located about 20 kilometres from Gangtok. It covers an area of about 52 sq km above the road between Singtam and Dikchu with the highest point at a place called Tinjure at 2130 metres.

50 students from class 8-10 participated in the nature camp and were escorted by 4 teachers, Mrs Peden Denzongpa, Mrs Dikky Dukpa, Mrs Yangchen Donkar Phalangtharpa, and Mrs. Chandra Maya Das. Mr. Topgay Lepcha our guide for the day led the team with his experience and explained the flora and fauna of the region. We were lucky enough to spot few birds like White Laughing Thrush (*Garrulax leucolophus*), Rufous Sibia (*Heterophasia capistrata*) and many medicinal plants like Bojho (*Acorus calamus*) Chirata (*Swerita chiraita*) Khanakpa (*Tetradium fraxinifolium*) on our way. The program concluded with a scrumptious lunch arranged in the local cafeteria.

The main objective of conducting the trip for students was to reinforce experimental and contextual learning. This trip gave an opportunity to students to observe a particular environment that gave them first-hand experience of what they have learned.

We want to extend our sincere thanks to our Headmaster Mr Thendup Namgyal Kazi for allowing the students to go for the nature camp. Special thanks go to ENVIS and the forest officials of Golitar for making prior arrangement for the trip. We would also like to thank the drivers of SNT bus who helped us reach our destination on time and got us back safely. Lastly we extend our appreciation to our students for their cooperation and adhering to the instructions.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Bordang**
District : **Pakyong Sikkim (East district)**
Venue : **Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **17/03/2023**
Date of end : **18/03/2023**



Eco Club of Government Secondary School Bordang, Pakyong district went on nature camp to “Teen Jurey”, Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary in Gangtok East Sikkim for the students of class VI - X. The nature camp was organized by the Forest and supported by Environment department Government of Sikkim, supported by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change, Government of India.

The tour started from the Dosa point Bordang at 6:30 AM in the morning, with permission from the Headmistress Mrs Tshering Ongmu Bhutia, three teachers namely Ms. Munna Chettri, Mrs. Ranju Mukhiya and Maheshwar Rai Sir escorted 40 students, on the 17th of March 2023.

The Headmistress had arranged everything for the tour which included a bus, tour guide and refreshments. We reached Pangthang at 9:00 am, from there we had a 40 mins walk to reach Fambonglho Golitar. There was a quick stop at Fambonglho golitar for breakfast and a quick photo session. A tasty breakfast was served to the student which included egg, bread & jam, tea and juice. Students enjoyed their breakfast. After breakfast, we all collected the waste in a bin and kept it aside. After breakfast, we all headed towards Teen Jurey trek, it was a 2 ½-hour trek. On the way students enjoyed the scenic beauty of nature, the beautiful chirping of birds and the bushes and trees. By the afternoon we reached the destination. At the destination, students got a chance to witness the beauty of nature, birds and the beautiful view of mountains. It was drizzling so we quickly took a few pictures and had our refreshments and headed towards downhill. Students on their way back collected the waste which was litter by other trekkers.

It was a very memorable and wonderful tour of nature. Special thanks to the Forest and Environmental Department, and the Government of India for providing us with a wonderful tour of nature. Special thanks to Headmistress Mrs Tshering Ongnu Bhutua for her support and guidance, without her support and guidance this tour wouldn't have been possible.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Linkey**
District : **Pakyong Sikkim (East district)**
Venue : **Tokchi**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **15/03/2023**
Date of end : **16/03/2023**



The Eco-club of Govt. Sec. School, Linkey Pakyong District organized Nature Camp to Tokchi, Halhallay nearby on 15th & 16th March, 2023 sponsored by Forest and Environment Department, Govt. of Sikkim. The total of 50 students and 12 school teachers took part in the Camp. All were very excited and thrilled about the camp because it was one kind and for the first time such trip has been granted. The main purpose of the nature camp was to explore the natural beauty and diverse range of flora and fauna, and to study the existence practically by student in a reality. Nowadays our students have become lazy and into internet addiction. They can't stay a day without phone and net but these treks made them closer to nature and experience the taste of nature. During the trek the students as well as we the teachers were very aware that nature has lot of gifts unfolded for us. The students were very thrilled to know about the various flora and fauna unrevealed for them. They also came to know about- the value and importance of diverse flora and fauna. The trek convinced them for the protection and Conservation of nature now and for near future. Overall the Nature camp provided them a spark to be one of the responsible citizen and good conservers.

Lastly, Linkey Sec. School would like to extend sincere gratitude to the forest and Environment Department, Govt. of Sikkim for providing such wonderful exposure to the students as well as to the teachers. Hoping for such trek in near future.



Name of School : **Government Secondary School Phensong**
District : **Mangan Sikkim (North district)**
Venue : **Kyongnosla Alpine Sanctuary**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **11.03.2023**
Date of end : **12.03.2023**



We the Govt. Sec. School Phensong eco club team visited at Kyongnosla Alpine Sanctuary. It is a beautiful natural reserve located in the Gangtok district of Sikkim. It's spread over an area of 31 sqkm and located at an elevation of 12, 313 ft. And is have of a wide varieties of flora and fauna. We visited the Sanctuary on 11th and 12th March 2023 .

Location : The Sanctuary is located around 31km from Gangtok .

Flora and Fauna: The Sanctuary is known for its diverse and exotic vegetation. During our visit we saw different species of RHODODENDRON, MAGNOLIAS, ORCHARDS, BIRDS, ANIMAL (YAK) and other wild flowers. The Sanctuary is also home to a wide variety of animals and birds like RED PANDA, HIMALAYAN BLACK BEAR, LEOPARD, BARKING DEER, and many species of birds.

Conclusion:

Overall our visit to Kyongnosla Alpine Sanctuary was a wonderful and memorable experience. Our students could get chance to explore with nature. Due to heavy snowfall we stuck at Tsomgu lake and at the end of the day INDIAN ARMIES came and rescue us. They took us down to 15th mile Arym's camp because of beautiful snow fall we get chance to spent one night at Arym's camp and we really had a wonderful time out there. I on behalf of our school and entire students would like to loads of thanks to INDIAN ARMY for their warm hospitality.



Name of School : **Kripasalyan Government Sr. Secondary School Daramdin**
District : **Soreng Sikkim (West district)**
Venue : **Barsey Rhododendron Sanctuary**
No. of participants : **50 nos.**
Date of start : **14.03.2023**
Date of end : **15.03.2023**



The Eco-club of Kripasalyan Government Sr. Secondary School Daramdin organized nature camp to Barsey Rhododendron Sanctuary on 14th and 15th March, 2023. A total of 45 students were taken for the trek along with 4 teachers. The main objective of the nature camp was to explore its nature beauty and diverse range of flora and fauna. The trek took 2-3 hours and was suitable for all fitness levels. Love for mountains and jungle both are entwined in the journey to Barsey. The activities included during the trek were nature trek, bird watching, listening of fauna, collection of waste and its segregation and suitable activities promoting eco-friendly lifestyle. All students got enlightened that Barsey is not only famous for the Rhododendrons, but also for its extremely beautiful forest rich with flora and fauna and splendid view of the Himalaya. All students were thrilled to enjoy the exotic beauty of the place and got to know important things related to environment and love for the nature. It was indeed a recreational time where they could relax and enjoyed with the nature.

Lastly, KGSSS Daramdin would like to extend your gratitude to the Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim for giving this opportunity to all students to visit the most enchanting place.



Name of School : **Government Girls Senior Secondary School Gyalshing**

District : **Gyalshing Sikkim (West district)**

Venue : **Rabdentse Birds Sanctuary –Khechupheri Lake- Yuksam Palce**

No. of participants : **50 nos.**

Date of start : **18/03/2023**

Date of end : **19/03/2023**



Eco club of Government Girls’ Sr. Sec. School, Gyalshing went on a one day nature camp to Norbugang coronation Throne at Yuksom, Khecheopalri lake and Rabdentse bird park organised by the Forest and Environment Department, Govt of Sikkim on 18/03/2023. A total of 50 Eco club students of class XII participated in the camp along with 7 escort teachers. We started our tour at 8.00am in the morning and reached Norbugang coronation throne at Yuksom where the first chogyal of Sikkim (Phuntsok Namgyal) was crowned in 1642AD. We also visited Kathok lake from where water for coronation was taken. The lake is also considered as the soul lake of lama Kathok kuntu Zangpo who pioneered in introducing Buddhism to that beautiful land in 1642 AD. Then we headed towards Khecheopalri lake. This lake is also known as wish fulfilling lake. The pleasant and refreshing weather rejuvenated us. We had the peaceful environment and worshipped. After this lunch was provided to the students and they were insisted to avoid packed foods in their daily life. A visit to Rabdentse bird park was completed on the way back to Gyalshing. The students got an opportunity to explore the nature through activities like bird watching, identification and listing of flora and fauna, collection of waste and walks to learn the importance of nature and biodiversity in their life. Students spent their time a lot in enjoying nature’s beauty. It was an amazing and wonderful experience of exploring of nature. We would like to thank the Forest and Environment Department (ENVIS) for providing us with this opportunity.



Name of School : **Government Senior Secondary School Melli Bazar**
District : **Namchi**
Venue : **Aritar and Fusrey**
No. of participants : **44 nos.**
Date of start : **22/03/2023**
Date of end : **23/03/2023**



The Eco- Club of Government Senior Secondary School, Melli Bazar Namchi District organized Nature Camp to Aritar and Fusrey sponsored by Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim. We express our deepest gratitude to ENVIS for the magnanimous opportunity in order to sensitize school on nature conservation and strengthening the eco-club through dissemination of knowledge on diverse aspects of conservation education.

The total of 44 students and 5 escort teachers with one well trained guide took part in the Nature's trail to Aritar and Fusrey. The aim of the Nature Camp was to sensitize young mind towards nature conservation and towards nature conservation and management through demonstration of live models and to build capacity of youth on diverse subject discipline of nature and ecosystem through onsite example of sustainable natural resource management.

The team trekked for about one kilometer in the Vicinity of Fuser. Varieties of flora and fauna were sighted on the way. The scenic beauty of the place was absolutely amazing. While returning they were also taken to Lampokhari Aritar. All of us in the team carried their own lunch in order to avoid plastic waste through buying junk food on the way.

Overall it gave student exposure to biodiversity, nature conservation, rural technology and ecosystem. The trip really fulfilled the need to connect to nature required for social wellbeing and individual mental health.





Name of School : **Sir Tashi Namgyal Government Senior Secondary School**
District : **Gangtok**
Venue : **Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary**
No. of participants : **44 nos.**
Date of start : **23/03/2023**
Date of end : **24/03/2023**



Sir Tashi Namgyal Senior Secondary School, Gangtok visited Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary on 23-24, March 2023. We started our trek towards Tinjurey from Golitar at 9.15 am. The climb and descent altogether took us nearly 5 hours to reach back to Golitar. During the climb, our tour guide recognize us with the varieties flora of the area with ease. On the way we saw plethora of plants some of which include cobra lilies, paris perrifilum, maple, hurture etc. Some of these plants have medical properties. During our climb guide told not to make be too loud as we raised the risk of attracting local bears in the area. On the walk, we had many indirect contacts with bears, we could see their claw marks on the trees and we could also see the twigs of trees broken due to their sheer strength. We reached the peak after nearly 2-3 hours of climbing after which we looked around the summit and studied the Magnolia flowers on the trees there and sat down for a break to have some snacks. After finishing this we started our descent which was a bit hard as the rains of the previous day had made the path extremely difficult to traverse.

After our descent, we had our lunch, after which we engaged in a bird watching activity after which our trek promptly came to an end. No trash was left behind on the route and every waste generated was brought back by the students.

The entire Nature Camping team of our school would like to thank ENVIS Cell, Forest Environment and Wildlife Management Department and Ministry of Environment & Climate Change, Government of India for the wonderful learning opportunity provided.



Name of School : **NBBG Government College Tadong**
District : **Gangtok**
Venue : **Kitam Bird Sanctuary**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **22/03/2023**
Date of end : **23/03/2023**



40 students and 5 faculty members from the Department of Botany, Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College visited Kitam Bird Sanctuary as part of a one-day "Nature Camp" programme organised by the Eco Club NBBGC. Because of its rich biodiversity, the Kitam Bird Sanctuary was chosen as a nature camp location. The programme was initiative and fully funded by ENVIS, Forest Department, Government of Sikkim and Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India. The students were also given nature camping kits provided by Environment Education Programme – Sikkim

ENVIS by the Principal, who expressed his best wishes to the students and congratulated them on their selection for the camp.

The participants assembled in the field as soon as they arrived at Kitam Bird Sanctuary. The introductory session was the fun based and knowledge based ice breaking session where in all the students, teachers and the resource persons got to know each other. The students were taken for a nature walk in the forest trail.

An activity “Photo Scavenger Hunt” was conducted in order to expand their observation skills and to make them feel the variety and variability of life around. They were asked to take note of their observations along with the photographs of various biological diversity and characteristics such as – different plant groups, phyllotaxy, flowering plants and inflorescence, leaf characteristics, direct and indirect sightings of wild animals, birds and insects, anthropogenic disturbances, water bodies, etc. Two experts, Mr. Prem Chettri and Mr. Prakash Chettri, guided the students for identification and interpretation of their observations. The students were very inquisitive and had a good interaction with resource persons. The students were also taught bird watching techniques and given information about the variety of birds found there in the sanctuary.

Further, to acknowledge the impact of human on ecosystem, an activity “Ecological Musical Chair” was played with the recitation of the poem (adapted from Peace corp. Jamaica) with modification for the local condition. In the game all the participants were portrayed as different species in an ecosystem. Game started with presence of all the species in an ecosystem which were lost one after another with the invasion of human until all the species were exploited and lost leaving behind only the humans in deplorable condition.

The students were encouraged to collect the plastic wastes found along the trail. So it was a win-win situation in which the students learned concepts practically while also carrying out a cleanliness drive on the sidelines. Together with learning about the local flora and fauna, these nature camp helps students to build soft skills like patience, teamwork, and communication.

Lastly, students and teachers, Eco-Club NBBGC were grateful towards ENVIS, Forest Department, Government of Sikkim and Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India for organizing such an insightful camp for students.



Name of School : **Sikkim University**
District : **Gangtok**
Venue : **Lachen Valley, Lachung Valley, Yumthang, Yumesadong & Gurudongmar**
No. of participants : **40 nos.**
Date of start : **09/03/2023**
Date of end : **12/03/2023**



A 4- day field training cum expedition was planned by STEP, Sikkim University between 9-12 March'2023. The expedition covered North part of Sikkim that includes Lachen valley, Lachung Valley, Thangu, Yumthang, Yumesadong, and Gurudongmar. The major objective of the field training expedition was to conduct waste brand audits in the region, in addition to basic orientation and training in field exercises such as collection of water and sediment samples, conducting river discharge measurements and geophysical and geotechnical investigations along with developing an overall understanding of the whole landscape with its distinctive flora and fauna. While much of the area beyond Tung has a strict no-plastic policy, especially in regard to single-use plastic bottles, plastic pollution was still observed at all major locations. Improper disposal of waste at such high altitudes also means that the degradation process is drastically slowed. At population centres such as Lachen and Lahung the waste management system was found to be very infrequent, operating only once a week, as per local people. It was also observed that the collected waste was not being treated properly and were being dumped along the river banks.

The planned waste brand audit made absolute sense in the mentioned context to develop a basic understanding of the characteristics of the plastic pollution observed. The audit was conducted in Yumthang Valley, where a large volume of waste was collected and segregated. Preliminary observations suggest that around 75 different brands were found in the waste, with a large portion of them coming from packaged food and beverage brands.

The team also visited the Cryospheric Data Acquisition Centre at Yumthang, where they were briefed about

the observational facilities available including Automated Weather Station for long term climate data, Aethalometer for Black Carbon studies, etc. The other primary objective of the training was to conduct basic experiments such as moraine sampling and river discharge measurement, both of which were successfully conducted in Gurudongmar and Yumthang, respectively. The data and samples collected during the trip will be analyzed at the department in the coming days.

As the team travelled from Gangtok to Lachung, the changes were visible, the vegetation changed from temperate to subalpine and alpine type. Tall evergreen trees were substituted by shrubs and dry meadows. The upper reaches of the area such as Yumthang are known hotspots for primula and rhododendron species. The dramatic landscapes were also observed that were carved by the glaciers of the past and the present. Glaciers and snowfields can be observed clearly as low as Lachen and Lachung. U-shaped valley glacial lakes and glacial moraines dominate the landscape. With a large population of the region being directly or indirectly involved in tourism for sustenance, the large and ever-growing influx of tourists has become a conundrum. While this helps improve the living standards of the locals, it also increases the burden on the region in terms of water and waste management. This highlights the need for a proper solid waste management system in the region, which is focused on dealing with the major polluter, such as multi-layered plastic, PET bottles, etc.







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MISSION LIFE ACTIVITIES BY ECO-CLUB OF SCHOOLS/ COLLEGES/ UNIVERSITIES





Eco-Club of Government Senior Secondary School Legship, West Sikkim

World Earth Day 2022: Sikkim Eco-Club students and teachers celebrated 'Earth Day' with theme **Invest in our planet** on 22nd April, 2022 conducted various activities like poster rally, cleanliness drive, painting and quiz competition, plantation drive, weeding the herbal and kitchen garden, reducing plastic waste – creation of No Plastic Zone to contribute towards saving environment by banning plastics in the school area, awareness speech on saving environment on morning assembly by Eco-club captains, oath taking, using recycled paper to wrap gifts and rewards during school programmes, a short skit to preserve resources, pledge to reduce use of plastic and collection of wrappers and a bio gas production plant is being built in one school to demonstrate how natural products may be used to generate energy.





Silent rally from school to Marchak and cleanliness drive by roadside conducted by Biraspati Parsai Government Senior Secondary School Ranipool East Sikkim



Cleanliness, plantation drive at rally conducted by Baha'I Senior Secondary School Saramsa, East Sikkim



Weeding of garden and cleanliness drive conducted by Government Senior Secondary School Singtam, East Sikkim



Skit and cleanliness drive by Mount Carmel Academy Deorali, East Sikkim



Oath Taking and little hands nurturing the Earth by Rey Valley International, East Sikkim



Cleanliness drive from Ganesh Tok to Tashi View Point conducted by TNSSS East Sikkim



Painting competition at Government Senior Secondary School Tadong, East Sikkim



Awareness speech on saving environment on morning assembly by Eco-club captain, weeding garden and cleanliness drive by Government Senior Secondary School Westpoint, East Sikkim



Rally conducted by Tasa Tengay Government Senior Secondary School Chungthang North Sikkim



Plantation drive by Government Secondary School Passingdong, North Sikkim



Making Herbal Garden in School premises for 20 different medicinal plants. Concept behind this is to educate school children in identifying different types of herbs and their uses by Government Senior Secondary School Hee-Gyathang North Sikkim



Field trip carried out by plantation cum cleanliness drive at Rabdenste, Skywalk (Pelling) and Pema Yangtze Monastery and using of recycled paper to wrap gifts and rewards during school programme by Government Secondary School Assangthang, South Sikkim



Speech by Eco-club captain and Cleanliness drive of water source "Purano Dhara" and water testing of same was conducted scientifically with the help of Water testing kit conducted by Government Girls Senior Secondary School Namchi, South Sikkim



Poster making, online tour to forest through PPT, speech and cleanliness drive conducted by Government Secondary School Lingee Paiyong, South Sikkim



Rally for the awareness about the importance of mother earth, cleanliness and plantation drive by Government Jr. High School Pamphok, South Sikkim



Poster, Quiz and Painting competition conducted by Government Senior Secondary School Pelling West Sikkim



A short skit and pledge to reduce use of plastic and collection of wrappers by Government Senior Secondary School Yuksum, West Sikkim



Plantation drive by Govt. Jr. High School Burung S/S, Greenvale Academy Lingmoo, Govt. Primary School Mangzing, NS



Speech by Govt. Sr. Sec. School Rangpo, East Sikkim Poster by Govt. Sr. Sec. School Legship West Sikkim



Poster competition by Palzor Namgyal Girls Sr. Sec. School East Sikkim

International Biodiversity Day 2022: Sikkim Eco-clubs in coordination with Sikkim SNA and State Biodiversity Board Sikkim celebrated International Biodiversity Day on 22nd May 2022 with theme: “Building a shared future for all Life” by conducting various activities such as poster making competition, awareness speech, drawing and painting competition, plantation drive, inter school quiz, field trip at State Biodiversity park, inter house gardening competition, seminar and exhibition, cleanliness drive in an around school surrounding and naming trees and plants of school compound etc.





Drawing and painting competition by Government Senior Secondary School Pabyuick East Sikkim



The students actively participated in the event. Fencing, planting flowers and planting sapling were done by the students under the guidance of the respective teachers. More emphasis was given in making the school area a Plastic Free Zone.



Poster making competition conducted at Government Secondary School Lachen North Sikkim



Maintenance of herbal garden and Kitchen garden at Government Primary School Mangzing School North Sikkim



Quiz competition on the topic of International Biodiversity Day on 22nd May 2022 at Government Secondary School Passingdong North Sikkim



Plantation of tea plants and preparing of herbal garden by Government Junior High School Sangtok North Sikkim



On the occasion of “international Biodiversity Day” Government Secondary School students and teachers Visited three different location such as Ravangla tathagated sal ,Chemchey and Biodiversity park the main objectives is to compare the nature and the artificial park and photography competition and report writing competition on the visit of the above mentioned places.



Inter house gardening competition by Government Senior Secondary School Damthang South Sikkim



On 22nd May 2022 Observed “International biodiversity day” conduct a small program such as a field trip to State Biodiversity Park near Temi Tea garden, Damthang road by Government Primary School Ganchung.



Eco club of Govt. Sec. School Lingi Paiyong south Sikkim observed “International Biodiversity Day” Following activities was conducted Cleaning drive in and around school surroundings, Plantation, Speech by students and nodal teacher, Interhouse quiz competition and Poster making.



International Biodiversity Day celebrated at Governmnet Senior Secondary School Damber Singh Limboo Memorial, Darap West Sikkim by conducting seminar on the topic "Endangered plants and animals of the world" , science exhibition on working model, painting competition and science exhibition on working model which is eco friendly.



Government Senior Secondary School Sombaria west Sikkim observed world biodiversity day by cleaning up herbal garden and also planting many local herbal plants



To commemorate the International Biodiversity Day,Eco -Club Govt .Sr. Sec. School Melli Bazar Field Trip to Deolo and Science City Kalimpong, Painting of tins and repotting of Plant

No Tobacco Day: Sikkim Eco-club celebrated **No Tobacco Day** on 31st May 2022 with theme: “Threat to our Environment” by conducted various activities such as poster making competition, awareness speech, drawing and painting competition, plantation drive, inter school quiz, field trip at State Biodiversity park ,inter house gardening competition, seminar and exhibition, cleanliness drive in an around school surrounding and naming trees and plants of school compound etc.





Poster making competition on the occasion of “World No Tobacco Day” by Government Junior High School Lingding East Sikkim



Rally conducted by Government Secondary School Lingtam



Drawing and painting competition on the Occasion of “World No Tobacco Day” on 31st May 2022 by Government Senior Secondary School Bordang East Sikkim



Drawing and Painting competition on the Occasion of "World No Tobacco Day" by Governmet Secondary School Lower Sumin East Sikkim



Ecoclub of Governmnet Senior Secondary School Pabyuik East Sikkim observed "WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY " today with the aim to spread awareness on harmful effects of using tobacco. Speech, slogan writing and awareness rally was conducted.

World Environment Day: Eco-Club of schools conducted various activities such as plantation drive, hugging trees with message, competition on drawing and painting competition, slogan writing, poster making, cleanliness drive, , quiz, essay writing, poem writing, etc. about the importance of environment protection and conservation related. The students delivered speech on the occasion of world environment day. Themain objective of programme is to save the earth though plantation drives to save the Environment.



Plantation done on the occasion “World Environment Day” by Eco-Club students



Drawing and painting competition on occasion of "World Environment Day" by Government Junior High School Lingding East Sikkim



Government Junior High School Upper Jaubari celebrated Environment Day. The day was flagged off with plantation, slogan writing and poster making.



Plantation by Teachers, Students and Inter House Drama competition, Presentation competition, and dance competition on occasion of "World Environment Day" at Government Secondary School Rabitar South Sikkim kindly see the link given below - [:https://www.facebook.com/groups/328153977838861/permalink/1010394176281501/?sfnsn=wiwspwa&ref=share](https://www.facebook.com/groups/328153977838861/permalink/1010394176281501/?sfnsn=wiwspwa&ref=share)



*Poster making competition on the occasion of “World Environment Day”
by Government Secondary School C.M. Rai Omchu South Sikkim*



On 5th June 2022, Government Primary School, Genchung under Temi BAC, observed “World Environment Day” Eco club members conducted cleanliness drives in and around school premises and plantation of saplings



Prashanti Vidya Mandir Sec School, Gangtok observed “World Environment Day” by drawing and painting competition and plantation drive with great enthusiasm.



Government Junior High School Rakdong- Tintek also celebrated World Environment Day



Government Senior Secondary School Ranka observed "World Environment Day"



Poster making by Government Senior Secondary School Deorali Girls East Sikkim



*Reuse of plastic bottle for making flowering garden on the occasion of World Environment Day at Government Senior Secondary School Damber Singh Limboo Memorial Darap West Sikkim kindly see the link given below-
<https://youtu.be/aQca-Rnl418>*



Reuse of plastic bottle by Eco-club of Governmnet Primary School Mangzing North Sikkim



Display various model regarding how to make Eco-friendly School by Government Senior Secondary School West Point East Sikkim

Presentation of Chief Minister’s Green School Rolling Trophy and State Green School Awards 2022: The Chief Minister’s Green School Rolling Trophy & State Green Schools Award was instituted in the year 2011 for acknowledging the efforts of school’s positive action for environment. This award is presented every year since then during the occasion of World Environment Day to schools under Sr. Secondary, Secondary, Jr High Category, Primary and private school category with cash prizes of Rs. 5.0 lakh to one best school and Rs. 1.0 lakh to 5 schools. Best schools from Primary School category and Private School category are awarded cash prize of Rs. 50,000 each. The schools are selected based on their meritorious performance of eco-club activity followed to improve the quality, usage and sustainability of air, water, land, waste, food and energy resources at the school and community level. The eco-club schools are assessed by screening committee comprising of district level officers and are selected by the selection committee duly considering the impact of schools initiatives and innovation in establishing an efficient environment management system at the school level. To facilitate this award scheme, the Forest and Environment Department has set up 856 eco-clubs at schools and colleges with provision of financial aid of Rs 5000/- each annually along with Green teachers training and other resource materials from time to time. This year the department of Forest, Environment & Wildlife Management, Government of Sikkim selected 8 schools under these categories to be presented with trophies, certificates and cash prizes.

The awardee schools for 2022 are as under:

SN.	SCHOOL NAME	AWARDS
1	Govt. Jr. High School, Lingthem, Upper Dzongu, Mangan District	CM Green School Rolling Trophy, Certificate, and Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakh
2	Govt. Jr. High School Adampool, Gangtok District	Trophy, Certificate and Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
3	Damber Singh Limboo Memorial Govt. Sr. Sec. School Darap, Gyalshing District	Trophy, Certificate and Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
4	Govt. Sec. School Lingi Paiyong, Namchi District	Trophy, Certificate and Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
5	Kalzang Gyatso Govt. Sr. Sec. School Kabi, Mangan District	Trophy, Certificate and Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
6	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Bikmat, Namchi District	Trophy, Certificate and Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
7	Carol Academy, Yangsum, Gyalshing District	Trophy, Certificate and Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
8	Govt. Primary School, Chawang, Mangan District	Trophy, Certificate and Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-



Govt. Jr. High School, Lingthem, Upper Dzongu, Mangan District with the Rolling Trophy



Chawang Primary School



Carol Academy, Yangsum



Bikmat SSS



Kalzang Gyatso Kabi SSS



Lingi Payong SSS



Damber Singh Limboo Memorial SSS, Darap



Adampool JHS

International Yoga Day: Sikkim Eco-Club students and teachers celebrated ‘**International Day for Yoga**’ with theme: “Yoga for Humanity” on 21st June, 2022 during 67th week of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav. Eco-clubs conducted various Yoga practices to raise awareness of the value of yoga and how to contribute to the total well-being of the body and meditation for mind. Pranayama session and plantation drive at local place were also conducted. Eco-club member also celebrated ‘**World Olympic day**’ with theme “Together for a peaceful World” on 23rd June, 2022 by conducting short run/ mini-marathon and walkathon.



Government Junior High School Timbrong West Sikkim conducted International Yoga Day



Government Senior Secondary School Tashiding West Sikkim conducted meditation, pranayama on the occasion of International Yoga Day



Celebration of International Yoga Day at Government Senior Secondary School Pelling West Sikkim



International Yoga Day by Government Senior Secondary School Rangpoo East Sikkim



International Yoga Day by Government Secondary School Tarpin East Sikkim



Marathon and walkathon on the occasion of World Olympic Day by Government Senior Secondary School Bikmat South Sikkim

Celebration of A Day for Mother Earth: Eco-club Schools and colleges of Sikkim State conducted various environmentally friendly activities focusing on the theme “**Celebrating Nature – Say No to Single Use Plastics**”. Activities conducted were shop to shop awareness drive on ban on SUP items from 1st July 2022 with pasting of SUP ban posters, awareness rally, cleanliness drive, plantation drive, plastic litter pickup drive, assembly speeches on ban of single use plastic drawing competition, segregation of waste, reuse of old cloth and prepare bags, sensitization of taxi drivers and stoppage of vehicles for seven minutes on July 7 from 11am to 11:07 am.





Poster making and rally on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Senior Secondary School BiraspatiParasiRanipool



Morning speech on ban of Single Use Plastic

Awareness to shopkeeper



Awareness rally at Deorali Bazar



Cleanliness drive



Drawing and painting competition on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Senior Secondary School Pabyuik East Sikkim



Shop to shop campaign on ban of single use plastic items



Segregation of wastes into Biodegradable or Non-biodegradable waste by Government Junior High School Rehnock Bazar East Sikkim



Rally on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Senior Secondary School Rumtek East Sikkim



Plantation drive and cleanliness drive on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Senior Secondary School Singtam East Sikkim



Collection of Single use of plastics items and eco-friendly items on the occasion of “A Day for Mother Earth” by Sir Tashi Namgyal Government Senior Secondary School East Sikkim



Poster making and cleanliness on the occasion “A Day for Mother Earth” by Government Senior Secondary School Girls Mangan North Sikkim



Poster making by Government Senior Secondary School Hee-Gyathang North Sikkim



Reuse of old cloths and prepare bags and plastic bucket for flower pot on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Secondary School Lachung North Sikkim



Making bamboo water bottle on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Junior High School Lingthem North Sikkim



Poster making and cleanliness drive on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Primary School Badamtam South Sikkim



Awareness on Ban of SUP items and stoppage of Vehicle s except emergency and essentials service for seven minutes from 11am to 11.07 am on July 7, 2022 duringcelebration of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Senior Secondary School Bikmat South Sikkim



Awareness and Cleanliness drive by Government Primary School Genchung South Sikkim



Poster making and reuse of plastic for making fruit basket on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Secondary School LingiPaiyong South Sikkim



Plantation drive on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Junior High School Lower Chhalamthang South Sikkim



Cleanliness drive occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by Government Secondary School Rabitar South Sikkim



Awareness rally and pick up drive by carol Academy School West Sikkim



Plantation drive and rally by Government Junior High School Singling West Sikkim



Reuse of plastic bottle for making flower pot by Government Senior Secondary School Sombaria West Sikkim



Drawing and painting competition on the occasion of "A Day for Mother Earth" by JNV Rothak West Sikkim



Cleanliness drive and plantation drive by Eco-club of Harkamaya College on the occasion of A Day for Mother Earth



Cleanliness drive by Loyola College, Namchi



Pickup drive by Eco-club of Government Science College, Chakung



Eco-club of Sikkim Government Law College organized various activities on the occasion of A Day for Mother Earth – on July 7, 2022

Har Ghar Tiranga: The 75th week of 75 week-long Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav 856 Eco-Clubs at schools and colleges of Sikkim State concluded on 18th of August 2022. The states joined in the nation-wide ‘Har Ghar Tiranga’ campaign reflecting patriotism, rejoicing history with determination and affirm belief of strong Nation in unity amidst diversity. To commemorate the occasion, several activities were conducted such as hoisting of Tiranga in all schools, offices and households with lightings and floral decorations. Events like Inter school parade, culture, drill, football tournaments were organised. The 76th Independence Day celebrating 75 years of independence was witnessend across the state with great jest and fervor. Sikkim SNA Secretariat buildings were also decorated with National Flags, flowers, lights and LED displays as a part of Har Ghar Tiranga Campaign for sensitization of public.







Inter schools Parade march Past at Governmnet Senior Secondary School Bal Kasaju Namthang



National Flag hosting ceremony at Government Primary School LingmooPepthang



Mass Drill of Students at Green Dale Senior Secondary School Tadong



Inter schools Parade march Past at Government Senior Secondary School West point



Parade march Past by Captains contingebt at Green Dale Senior Secondary School



Parade march Past at St.Xavier's School Pakyong





Inter school dance competition at Government Senior Secondary School West Point



Independence Day Football Tournament at Government Senior Secondary School Bal Krishna Kasaju Namthang



Har ghar Tiranga campaign at Government Senior Secondary School Mangshila



Patriotic song by Government Secondary School New Namchi at Bhaichung Stadium

World Ozone Day: Sikkim Eco-clubs celebrated World Ozone Day on 16th September 2022 with theme: “Global Cooperation Protecting Life on Earth” by conducting various activities such as poster making competition, awareness speech, drawing and painting competition, plantation drive, skits etc.



Skit on Ozone Day by Govt. SSS. Tadong



International Red Panda Day: Sikkim Eco-clubs celebrated International Red Panda Day with theme: “to save the red pandas from extinction” by conducting various activities such as poster making competition, awareness speech, drawing and painting competition, short video on Red Panda, skits etc.





National Science Day: Eco-clubs celebrated National Science Day with theme: “Global Science for Global Wellbeing” by conducting various activities such seminar competition



Lt. Lopen Thisung Tshering Govt. Secondary School Lachen conducted National Science Day



Damber Singh Limboo Memorial Govt. Sr. Sec. School Darap



Govt. Sec. School Bordang conducted Science Day



Govt. Sec. School Duga



Government Senior Secondary School Kitam conducted exhibition on Natinal Science Day



Poster awareness conducted by Govt. JHS Lingding



Poster display & Quiz competition observed Science Day by Govt. SS Lingi Paiyong



Eco-club teacher speech by Govt. JHS Namphrick

Model present by Govt. SSS Singtam



Exhibition on the occasion of National Science Day by Govt. SS Passingdong



To make the programme interesting teachers and students were asked to prepare different recipes out of Millet by Govt. SS Nazitam



Government Junior High School Observed National Science Day by conducting various models



Govt. SSS Lingdok conducted science exhibition where student showcased their different models on the occasion of National Science Day

World Forestry Day: Eco-club of School conducted World Forestry Day on 21st March, 2023 with theme “Healthy Forests Healthy People” conducted various activities like quiz competition, painting competition, awareness about the important of forest, poem, delivered speech on the important of Forest & Health on morning assembly, short skit, plantation drive etc.



Planation drive on the occasion of World Forestry Day by Govt. SSS Lingdok



Eco-club teacher speak about the importance of Forest and Quiz competition conducted on the occasion of World Forestry Day by Govt. JHS Gnon Samdong



Awareness about the importance of Forest at Govt. SS Neya-Broom



Short skit on the importance of Forest by Govt. SSS Lingdok



Speech by Eco-club captain on Govt. JHS Lingding



Slogan

World Water Day: Eco-club of School celebrated World Water Day 2023 with theme "Accelerating the change to solve the water and sanitation crisis" on 22nd March, 2023 conducted various activities like painting competition, self-composed poetry recitation, placard quiz competition, short skit on the importance of water, LiFE poster was display, morning assembly speech on importance of Water, rally to spread awareness on conservation of water, cleanliness drive nearby water sources, slogan competition etc.





Painting competition conducted World Water Day by Govt. Sec. School Bordang



Poster display conducted on World Water Day by Eco-club of Govt. Girls Sr. Secondary School Deorali



Speech and Painting competition on World Water Day by Eco-club by Govt. SS Duga



Display of LiFE poster and awareness on World Water Day by Govt. SSS Enchey



Awareness speech on World Water Day by Government Junior High School Lingding



Rally to spread awareness on conservation of water by Govt. Sr. Sec. School Lingdok



Morning speech on Water and plantation drive by Govt. JHS Lower Nandok



Poster display awareness on water conducted by Govt. SSS Mamring



Speech, painting, poem competition conducted on World Water Day by Govt. SS Mulukey



Green Teacher talk on the importance on Water and painting competition conducted by Govt. JHS Namong Arithang
Environment Education Programme – Sikkim



Exhibition was conducted on conservation of Water by Govt. SS Nazitam



Poster display and skit conducted on Importance of Water by Prashanti Vidya Mandir Sec. School



Painting and awareness on importance of Water by Rey vally International school



Painting competition on the occasion of World Water Day by Eco-club of Govt. Sec. School Chanatar Rangpo



Green Teacher of Govt. SS Rongli talked on the importance of water for all the living beings in this earth and how we can conserve the various sources of water by adopting different measures.



Govt. Sr Sec School, Sang observed World Water Day by organizing various activities such as drawing competition, speech, poetry recitation and cleanliness drive.



Eco-teachers delivered speech on the importance of water and sanitation at Govt. JHS Tumin Namrang



Short skit on importance of water



Eco-club captain gave the speech on the importance of water and how we can raise awareness to safeguard water on the occasion of World Water Day at Govt. SS Phensong



Eco club of KitamSr Sec school actually ventured to clean up two dilapidated water tanks which were unused for years together on the occasion of World Water Day



Eco-club of Govt. Sr. Sec. School Melli Bazar conducted Speech, cleaning of water sources and Painting competition was observed on World Water Day



Eco club of Govt. Girls' Sr. Sec. School Namchi celebrated World Water Day in the school conducted various activities such as painting competition, poster making competition, slogan writing competition.



Govt. Sec. School Sangmoo observed World Water Day



Cleaning of water source on the occasion of World Water Day by Govt. Sec. School Begha



Green Teacher explain to conserve water, painting competition observed by Carol Academy on the occasion of World Water Day



Cleaning of Water source at Damber Singh Limboo Memorial Govt. SSS Darap



Green Teacher talk about the important of water on the occasion of World Water Day by Govt. SSS Gelling



Eco club GSSS sombaria observed world water day by morning speech, community programme and poster.



Cleaning of Water source by Govt. SSS Soreng on the occasion of World Water Day

Sikkim SNA represented by officers from SLNA, Social Forestry, Environment and Soil Conservation divisions visited some of the eco-club to conduct awareness programme on environmental issues.



Plantation drive by Eco-club students and Forest Department staffs at Government Secondary School Phensong North Sikkim under the programme of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

Celebration of “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav”: Sikkim Eco-club school students and teachers conducted various activities such as cleanliness drive, waste collection and segregation, reusing the reusable wastes, intercom petition, rally, poster competition, speech, a short skits, pledges, exhibition, No Single Use plastic, Har Ghar Tiranga campaign, inter school parade, drill etc.









School Nursery Yojana: School Nursery Yojana under Green India Mission (GIM), Sikkim has supported 10 schools with grant-in-aid of Rs. 50,000/- each along with resource materials and kits for creating School Nurseries to raise 1000 saplings and take up greening activities. The list below is the schools selected for School Nursery Yojana from Sikkim State.

1. Govt. SSS Makha, Gangtok District
2. Govt. SSS Chujachen, Pakyong District
3. Govt. SSS Machong, Pakyong District
4. Kalzang Gyatso Govt. SSS Kabi, Mangan District
5. Govt. SSS Phodong, Mangan District
6. Govt. SSS Kitam, Namchi District
7. Govt. SSS Nandugaon, Namchi District
8. Govt. SS Kamrang, Namchi District
9. Govt. SSS Kaluk, Soreng District
10. Govt. SSS Soreng, Soreng District





Reintroduction of Cheetah: Sikkim ENVIS Hub at Forest and Environment Department Government of Sikkim conducted physical awareness drive on 'Reintroduction of Cheetah in India' during 12th -16th September 2022 reaching 500+ students and teachers of schools across the State. While the event was conducted with one hour session for students of GGSSS Deorali, GSSS Tadong and GJHS Adampool at their respective schools, the awareness propagations orientation for about 160 teachers from all the six districts of the State was held at Forest Conference Hall on 15-16 September, 202. Several schools from Sikkim also participated in the online/webinar organized by MoEF&CC in which about 5000+ students participated.





World Peacock Day: Namchi Wildlife Division of Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim celebrated World Peacock Day on 15th of November 2022 at Kitam, Namchi District. The programme organised at Munal Community Hall at Kitam was participated by 61 students of Class XI & XII of Kitam Government Senior Secondary School. They were accompanied by their class teachers, PGT Science teachers and Vice Principal Mrs Pratima Subba who was the chief guest on the occasion. All the Environment Assistants, Field staffs of the Kitam Bird Sanctuary were also present in the program. The event was organised as per the direction of the ACS-cum-PCCF and the Chief Wildlife Warden. This is the first World Peacock Day celebrated this time.

Head FG Mr. Ajay Kunwar conducted the programme. ACF Kitam Bird Sanctuary Mrs Hari Maya Thapa addressed and welcomed all the guest and invitees. Mr. TB Subba DFO Namchi Wildlife Division addressed with all the background information, aims and objectives of the World Peacock Day. He also made a power point presentation about the values, different peacock species and its worldwide distribution, its characteristics, conservation values, its legal status and present threat. He also ensured to raise awareness among the local villagers through the participation of Kitam Government Senior School students. Mr. Roshan Kaushik General Secretary of FALCON (Fraternity for Avian Life conservation) of Kitam made a brief presentation on the Birds of Kitam Bird Sanctuary. As per his presentation there are 170 birds as per his check list. There are 9 bird watchers working in FALCON organisation Kitam. They also do bird watching guide as and when necessary.

The event intended to raise awareness on the importance of the day and need for conservation and protection of the National Bird Peacock. The event was organised at Kitam as peacock was abundantly found in the region, also Kitam being the only bird sanctuary of the State.



Swachha Hawa Campaign: Sikkim SNA along with Eco-club students and teacher steered Harit Diwali Swasth Diwali – Swachh Hawa with various activities viz campaign on ban of firecrackers, making of eco-friendly ronglis, cleanliness drive, propagating plastic free gift wrappers, minimizing and stopping the use of single use plastics especially cutlery items, cultural programmes on local traditions (Bhailin and Deushi), making of posters and banners for awareness rally and preparation of placards etc.



National Awards to Sikkim Schools 2022

Sir Tashi Namgyal Government Senior Secondary School, East Sikkim wins WIPRO's Earthian Award 2019



The Eco-Club from Sir Tashi Namgyal Government Secondary School, Gangtok was conferred with WIPRO Earthian Award 2022 at Bengaluru on February 11, 2023 by WIPRO Foundation. The school eco-club had conducted a Water & Sustainability Project facilitated by Sikkim ENVIS Hub, Sikkim State Nodal Agency, Forest and Environment Department supported by MoEF&CC during Jul-Nov 2022. The activity featured amongst top 20 amongst 1200+ entries across the country. The award includes prize money of Rs 50,000. The event was participated by Rajen Pradhan, Sr. Programme Officer, Binod Pokhrel, PGT (Biology) and five students Dorjee Namgyal Bhutia, Tenzing Dadul Bhutia, Kavya Agarwal, Deepak Sharma and Deo Ashish Subba.

GREEN SCHOOL AWARDEES

List of Sikkim School Awardees at the NATIONAL LEVEL

SN	Year	School Awardees	Award/ By
1.	2007	Govt. Sec. School, Daramdin, West Sikkim	CSE *
2.	2010	Govt. Sec. School, Reshi, West Sikkim (Top 10 NS)	-do-
3.		Govt. Sec. School, Linkey, East Sikkim (Best Manager in Air)	-do-
4.		Govt. Sec. School, Namcheybong, East Sikkim (Best Manager in Energy)	-do-
5.	2011	Govt. Sec. School, Middle Camp, East Sikkim (Top 10 NS)	-do-
6.		Govt. Sec. School, Lower Samdong, East Sikkim (Top 10 CM)	-do-
7.	2012	Govt. Sec. School, Dentam, West Sikkim (1 st Rank NS)	-do-
8.		Govt. Girls Sr. Sec. School, Deorali, East Sikkim (2 nd Rank NS)	-do-
9.		Govt. Sec. School, Tingley, South Sikkim (4 th Rank NS)	-do-
10.	2013	Govt. Sec. School, Penlong, East Sikkim (2 nd Rank in NS)	-do-
11.		Govt. Sec. School, Tingley, South Sikkim (2 nd Rank in CM)	-do-
12.	2014	Govt. Girls' Sr. Sec. School, Namchi, South Sikkim (NS)	-do-
13.		Govt. Sec. School, Lower Samdong, East Sikkim (CM)	-do-
14.		Govt. Girls; Sr. Secondary School, Namchi	Paryavaran Mitra Puraskar (Best Schools)
15.		Govt. Secondary School, Lower Samdong	Paryavaran Mitra Puraskar (Best Schools)
16.		Govt. Secondary School, Melli Gumpa	Paryavaran Mitra Puraskar (Best Schools)
17.	2015	Govt. Sec. School, Lingdong, North Sikkim (4 th Rank)	CSE *
18.		Govt. JHS, Mangzing, South Sikkim (8 th Rank)	-do-
19.		Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Gyalshing, West Sikkim	-do-
20.		Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Hee-Yangthang, West Sikkim	PARYAVARAN MITRA PURASKAR (Exemplar schools)
21.		Govt. Sec. School, Bongten, West Sikkim	WIRPO'S EARTHIAN SCHOOL AWARDS & TN Khossoo Memorial Award
22.	2016	Govt. Sec. School, Aho-Shanti, East Sikkim (8 th Rank)	CSE*
23.		Govt. JHS, Raley, East Sikkim (Air)	-do-
24.		Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Hee-Yangthang, West (Energy)	-do-
25.	2018	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Pelling, West Sikkim (Air)	CSE*
26.	2019	Govt. Sr. Sec. School Bojoghari, East Sikkim	WIPRO'S EARTHINA SCHOOL AWARDS
27.	2022	Sir Tashi Namgyal Sr. Secondary School, East Sikkim	WIPRO'S EARTHINA SCHOOL AWARDS

* Gobar Times Green School National Awards – By Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), New Delhi

CHIEF MINISTER'S GREEN SCHOOL ROLLING TROPHY AND GREEN SCHOOL STATE AWARDS

Awardees

2011 – Chintan Bhawan , Gangtok

Rank	School Name	Awards and Cash Prizes
1 st	Govt. Sec. School, MIDDLE CAMP , East Sikkim	Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 5.0 lakhs
2 nd	Govt. Sec. School, Reshi , West Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
3 rd	Govt. Sec. School, Lower Samdong , East Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
4 th	Govt. Sec. School, Linkey , East Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
5 th	Govt. Sec. School, Lingchom , West Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh

2012 – Pangthang, East Sikkim

Rank	School Name	Awards and Cash Prizes
1 st	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Dentam , West Sikkim	Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 5.0 lakhs
2 nd	Govt. Sec. School, Rong , South Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
3 rd	Govt. Sec. School, Tingley , South Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
4 th	Deorali Girls Sr. Sec. School, East Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
5 th	CM Rai Govt. Sec. School, Jarrong , South Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh

2013 – Saramsa Garden, Ranipool

SN	School Name	Awards and Cash Prizes
1	Govt. Sec. School, Penlong , East Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy / Certificate/ Rs. 5.0 lakhs
2	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Tadong , East Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
3	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Yuksam , West Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
4	Govt. Sec. School, Bongten , West Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
5	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Rateypani , South Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh
6	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Mangan North Sikkim	Green Leaf Trophy/ Certificate/ Rs. 1.0 lakh

2014 – Namchi SSS

SN.	SCHOOLS NAME	AWARDS
1.	Government Girls' Sr. Sec. School, Namchi, South Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakhs
2.	Government Secondary School, Melli Gumpa, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
3.	Government Secondary School, Lingchom, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
4.	Government Secondary School, Lower Samdong, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
5.	Government Sr. Sec. School, Hee Gyathang, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
6.	Government Primary School, Bigyani, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
7.	Government Primary School, Samdur, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-

2015 – TNSSS, Gangtok

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/-

2016 – Mangan, North Sikkim

SN.	SCHOOLS NAME	AWARDS
1.	Sonam Choda Lepcha Memorial, Government Sec. School, Lingdong, North Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakhs
2.	Government Senior Secondary School, Hee- Yangthang, West Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakhs
3.	Government Secondary School, Bongten, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
4.	Government Girls Senior Secondary School, Gyalshing, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
5.	Government Sec. School, Aho Shanti, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
6.	Government Junior High School, Mangzing, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
7.	Government Primary School, Som Busty, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
8.	Greenvale Academy, Machong, East Sikkim (Pvt.)	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-

2017 – Kaluk BAC, West Sikkim

SN.	SCHOOLS NAME	AWARDS
1.	Government Senior Secondary School, Buriakhop, West Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakh
2.	Government Senior Secondary School, Kewzing, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 1.00 lakh
3.	Government Senior Secondary School, Lingmoo, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
4.	Government Secondary School, Passingdong, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
5.	Government Secondary School, Sopakha, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
6.	Government Junior High School, Raley, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
7.	Government Primary School, Tingda, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
8.	Sunshine English School (Private), Melli Bazaar, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-

2018 – Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary, Golitar, East Sikkim

SN.	SCHOOLS NAME	AWARDS
1.	Govt. Sec. School, Singhik, North Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakh
2.	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Pelling, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 1.00 lakh
3.	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Dikchu, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
4.	Govt. Sec. School, Chuba, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
5.	Govt. Sr. Sec. School, Phodong, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakh
6.	Govt. Jr. High School, Pakyong, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
7.	Govt. Primary School, Bakcha, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
8.	Govt. Primary School, Singpheng, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
9.	St. Josephs School Kingston Rhenock, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-

2019 – Chintan Bhawan, Gangtok

SN.	SCHOOLS NAME	AWARDS
1.	Government Sr. Secondary School, Pelling, West Sikkim	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakhs
2.	Government Sr. Secondary School, Nandugaon, South Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
3.	Government Senior Secondary School, Machong, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
4.	Government Sr. Sec. School, Makha, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
5.	Government Secondary School, Gor, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
6.	Government Secondary School, Sang Tshalamthang, East Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
7.	Government Junior High School, Singling, West Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
8.	Government Primary School, Burfok, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
9.	Government Primary School Gaikhana, North Sikkim	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
10.	Baha'i Sr. Sec. School, Saramsa, East Sikkim (Pvt.)	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-

2022– Saramsa Garden, Gangtok

SN.	SCHOOLS NAME	AWARDS
1.	Govt. Jr. High School Lingthem, Upper Dzongu, Mangan District	CM Rolling Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize – Rs. 5.00 lakhs
2.	Govt. Jr. High School Adampool, Gangtok District	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
3.	Damber Sigh Limboo Memorial Govt. Sr. Sec. School Darap, Gyalshing District	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
4.	Govt. Sec. School Lingi Paiyong, Namchi District	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
5.	Kalzang Gyatso Govt. Sr. Sec. School Kabi, Mangan District	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
6.	Govt. Sr. Sec. School Bikmat, Namchi District	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 1.00 lakhs
7.	Carol Academy (Pvt.), Yangsum, Gyalshing District	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-
8.	Govt. Primary School Chawang, Mangan District	Trophy/ Certificate/ Cash prize- Rs. 50,000/-

The Duties and Responsibilities of the State Environment Agency

1. To co-ordinate and implement the activities relating to the environment education, awareness and information, etc., through appropriate agency at state level.
2. To monitor the implementation of all the projects and activities relating to environment education, awareness and information, etc.,
3. To examine and recommend any proposal on the mentioned subject matter in the state for funding by the state, GOI and other agencies.
4. To suggest mechanism to improve the environment through environment information, education and awareness.
5. To maintain accounts under the committee and regularly audit their expenditure and submit report to the appropriate agency.
6. To monitor the activities of the District Environment Committee, National Environment Awareness Campaign, Eco-clubs in educational institutions, NGOs funded by the government agency for the purpose of environment awareness, education and information.
7. The state eco-club coordinator shall ensure timely implementation of the eco-club programmes in the schools and submit report to the Committee.
8. To carry out any other function relating to environment education, awareness, information, etc.,

District Environment Committee

At district level, an autonomous body namely "District Environment Committee" is hereby constituted in order to co ordinate all activities related to environment such as environment education, environment awareness, environment information, etc.. The composition of the Committee is as below and all the committee members are ex-officio members of their respective postings in the government department. The quorum for the committee is eight for the purpose of approving and sanctioning.

S. No.	Designation	Post
1	Conservator of Forest (Environment)	Chairperson
2	District Collector	Member
3	Superintendent of Police	Member
4	Divisional Forest Officer (Territorial)	Member
5	District Development Officer, Rural Management and Development Department	Member
6	District Planning Officer, Zilla Panchayat	Member
7	Divisional Forest Officer (Wildlife)	Member
8	Divisional Forest Officer (Social Forestry)	Member
9	Deputy Director, Tourism	Member
10	District Representative from Urban Development and Housing Department	Member
11	Representative from Motor Vehicles Department	Member
12	Two representatives from district NGOs– to be selected every year by other committee members.	Member
13	Divisional Forest Officer (EPC)	Member
14	Joint Director, Education. HRD Department.	Member/ District Eco-club coordinator
15	Divisional Forest Officer (LU & E)	Member Secretary

The Duties and Responsibilities of the District Environment Committee

1. To co-ordinate and implement the activities relating to the environment education, awareness and information, etc., in the District.
2. To monitor the implementation of all the projects and activities relating to environment education, awareness and information, etc., in the district.
3. To motivate educational institutions, NGOs and any other organization in the district to involve in environment awareness, education and information activities.
4. To suggest mechanism to improve the environment through environment information, education and awareness to the State Environment Agency.
5. To maintain accounts under the committee and regularly audit their expenditure and submit report to the appropriate agency.
6. To execute projects, schemes, etc., approved by the State Environment Agency.
7. The district eco-club coordinator shall ensure timely implementation of the eco-club programmes in the schools and submit all reports regarding eco-club to the committee.
8. To monitor the activities of the National Environment Awareness Campaign, Eco-clubs in educational institutions under National Green Corps, NGOs funded by the government agency and for the purpose of environment awareness, education and information, etc.,
9. To work in coordination with the State Environment Agency to perform all the functions relating to environment awareness, information and education.
10. To any other functions relating to environment education, awareness, information, etc., entrusted by the Government or the State Environment Agency.

Financial Mechanism

Any assistance for programme relating to the environment education, awareness, information, etc., from Government and other agencies for the state will be implemented through the State Environment Agency. The State Environment Agency will have institutional bank account operated jointly by its Chairperson and Member Secretary. The state committee shall utilize the District Environment Committee for execution of all activities relating to the district. All funds/assistance relating to the district related activities have to be transferred to the District Environment Committee for execution at the district level. The District Environment Committee will also have institutional bank account operated jointly by its Chairperson and the Member Secretary. The State Environment Agency shall be the approving and sanctioning authority for the state level and the District Environment Committee for district level. The committees shall ensure auditing of the accounts of both the bodies annually by a Government recognized Chartered Accountant.

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