



STOP SOIL EROSION
SAVE OUR FUTURE

World Soil Day

World Soil Day Celebrated with School Students



5 December 2019

Theme of the Event:

Stop Soil Erosion, Save Our Future

Venue: Guwahati Blind School, Guwahati

Delhi Greens celebrated World Soil Day 2019 with school students at Guwahati Blind School, Guwahati. The event was coordinated by the NE Greens programme of Delhi Greens in order to raise awareness about the importance of soil in children and the youth. The theme of the event was kept as the theme of World Soil Day, which is Stop Soil Erosion, Save Our Future.

The Delhi Greens Team reached the school early morning and was rejoiced to spectate the winter sunrays blessing the students as they assembled in the morning prayer assembly. The Delhi Greens Team was led by Ms. Chayanika Bhattacharyya and comprised volunteers from the Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS)-Guwahati campus.

The volunteers from TISS-Guwahati included Sreedevi M. N., Divya Momin and Avinab Baruah who occupied themselves in making a hand-made banner with chart papers titled, "WORLD SOIL DAY". The hall allotted by the Guwahati Blind School for celebrating 5th December, World Soil Day, to the Delhi Greens Team was already much decorated. The event commenced at 10.00 am, with a Welcome speech by the School Principal Mr. B. Barman followed by an Interactive Talk on the theme of the day, "STOP SOIL EROSION, SAVE OUR FUTURE" delivered by Divya Momin. The student participants learned about different types of soil erosion like Sheet erosion, Rill erosion, Gully erosion and Splash erosion. The next speaker was volunteer Avinab Baruah who discussed about the various types of soil like Sandy soil, Silt soil, Clay soil and Loamy soil. Wherever necessary, the talks were translated to Assamese by Chayanika.

Around 50 students participated in the talk and interactive discussions. This was followed by a Quiz Competition which saw participation from 14 students from Classes 9, 10 and 11. The First prize was won by Pradyunya Bora, the Second prize was won by Sri Tubil Brahma and the Third prize was won by Jayanta Bora. Tree saplings of one Bullet Wood tree (*Mimusops elengi*)/ *Bokulphool* and tree saplings of two Coconut trees (*Cocos nucifera*) were also planted by the School Principal. All the students were provided with refreshments. The event concluded with a group photograph of all the participating students along with teachers, staff and the Delhi Greens Team.

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