



# Eco Task Force Annual Report- 2024

## **1. World Wetlands Day, 02<sup>nd</sup> February 2024**

World Wetlands Day 2024 was celebrated in the department under the able guidance of Dr. Bharti Singh Raipat (HoD, Department of Zoology). During the event several competitions such as - poster presentation, speech and quiz competition based on environmental awareness were held. The event was marked by the presence of Dr. Bharti Singh Raipat, Dr. Priya Srivastava, Mr. Manoj Kumar, Dr. Pipas Kumar, Ms Mauli and Mr. Julian Ekka. The program ended with Certificate distribution to the winners of the competitions.





## 2. World Population Day, 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2024

In a bid to bring attention to population dynamics and their effects on socioeconomic development, environmental sustainability, and reproductive health and hygiene, Eco task force, Department of Zoology, St. Xavier's College, Ranchi, observed World Population Day, 2024 on Thursday, July 11. The event highlighted the importance of sex education and nuclear family. The theme for World Population Day 2024 is "To leave no one behind, count everyone".

The event was graced by Dr. Fr. Nabor lakra,s,j, Principal, and Dr. Fr. Pradeep Robert Kujur,s,j, Vice-principal, St. Xavier's college, Ranchi. On the eve of Population Day, Fr. Principal and Fr. Vice-Principal said that population is an important asset for nation building and gave a message that youth have to take the responsibility of sensitizing the public about the effect of overpopulation on natural resources. During the event several competitions such as poster making, debate and quiz based on theme population were held. Students of semester 2 and 3 from the department of Zoology took actively part in coordination and event management. A skit was presented that highlighted the challenges and triumphs in achieving reproductive health and rights for all. The event was organised under the guidance of Dr Bharti Singh Raipat, HoD department of Zoology and coordinated by faculty Dr. Pipas Kumar, Dr. Manoj Kumar, Ms Kanchita, Ms Mouli. At the end, Dr. Pipas Kumar, Faculty of Environmental Science highlighted the relationship between overpopulation and poverty. The event was concluded on a good note of making the public aware of benefits of small family and of family planning.





### **3. Van Mahotsav Celebration: Ek Ped Maa ke Naam- A tree as tribute to Mother, 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2024**

On the auspicious occasion of Guru Purnima and ongoing VAN MAHOTSAV, Eco task force, Department Zoology, students of semester 2, St. Xavier's College, Ranchi, in association with Indian Army, 2/5, Gorkha Rifle conducted a plantation drive under the banner of Prime Minister Initiatives 'EK PED MAA KE NAAM'.

Environmental protection is a concern for the world today. The increase in Carbon dioxide level has increased the annual average temperature of our planet. Our mother Earth is witnessing the effects of global warming and climate change. Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam Abhiyan initiated by Prime Minister Modi is the right answer to climate change. The event was marked by sapling plantation in the OTM accommodation area of Namkum Cantonment. Members of Gorkha Rifle with their families took part in this campaign with great enthusiasm and spirit. A total of 100 saplings of fruit and flowering plants were planted. Ms Richa of semester 2, department of Zoology from St Xavier College highlighted the importance of trees in our lives as they help reduce pollution and global warming by absorbing carbon dioxide from the environment. The event was organized under the guidance of Dr. Bharti Singh Raipat, HoD Department of Zoology, and Dr. Priya Srivastava. It was coordinated by the faculty Dr. Pipas Kumar and Ms Kanchita. The event was concluded on a good note with a vote of thanks by Ms Sarah Sarif of semester 2, department of Zoology making the participants aware of the benefits of trees and the environment.



