



LI-BIRD Event Newsletter

World Environment Day 2011

LI-BIRD Celebrated the World Environment Day 2011 at Pokhara

4 June 2011, Saturday, Pokhara

On the occasion of 39th World Environment Day, 05-June-2011, Local Initiatives for Biodiversity, Research and Development (LI-BIRD) and Pokhara Sub Metropolitan City's office organized a cycle rally and an environment parade on 04-June-2011. Information flyers, caps and handkerchiefs were distributed to raise awareness.

Unplanned urbanization and development, increased deforestation and change in land use, and the lack of environmental awareness and ethic among the public is leading to degradation in the quality of life and environment in Nepali cities. Pokhara, one of the major tourist destinations and one of the fastest growing cities in Nepal depends on its environmental beauty for its economy. Yet it is being polluted due to increased motor cycle and car use, improper waste management and emissions from industries. Thus, this campaign aimed at promoting cycling and plantation as eco-friendly alternatives to keep the city green and clean.

With the slogan "Healthy People Healthy City, Keep Pokhara Clean and Pretty" the cycle rally started from Hallan Chowk and went through Zero Kilometer, Srijana Chowk, Siddhartha Chowk, Chipledhunga, Sabhagriha Chowk, Prithvi Chowk, Mustang Chowk, Pardibirauta Chowk, Rastra Bank Chowk, Sahid Chowk, and Barahi Chowk before ending at Hallan Chowk.

Around 250 cyclists actively participated in the cycle rally with play cards and slogans. The participants included environmentalists, cyclists, students from more than 10 schools, Prithvi Narayan Campus and Forestry Campus, representatives from banks, youth clubs, media, governmental and nongovernmental organizations, tole development organizations, and tourists.

Reported by: Keshab Thapa/LI-BIRD, Pokhara



Glimpses of the cycle rally at Pokhara.

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The environment parade also started from Hallan Chowk just after the cycle rally started. Around 50 participants were involved in the parade. It ended in Barahi Chowk of Lakeside with a closing ceremony, where Mr. Bishwo Babu Tiwari, District Forest Officer, Kaski; Mr. Purna Gurung, Acting Executive Officer, Pokhara Sub Metropolitan; Mr. Hari Baral, member, Pokhara Sub Metropolitan level mechanism; and Mr. Abishkar Subedi, Programme Director, LI-BIRD spoke on the importance of environment conservation and the ways of making Pokhara a clean and green city with cycling as its preferred mode of transportation.

Radio Taranga, Big F.M., Pokhara Awaj Daily, and Tarakunja English Boarding School provided collaborativ

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World Environment Day Celebration in Jumla

5 June 2011, Saturday, Jumla

LI-BIRD in Jumla, in partnership with 11 different governmental and non-governmental organisations celebrated United Nation's World Environment Day (WED) on the 5th of June, 2011 in Khalanga, Jumla. 3 different events were organized on this day. The celebration program was initiated by Mr. Rishiram Tiwari (CDO) by the inauguration of the first event. He transplanted Deudaar, a tree that has high economic and ethnical value, at Shree Shiddhibinayak Samudayik Ban, Malavid, Jumla. More than 100 saplings of different plant species were transplanted during the event.

Later, two competitions were organized in the district - an essay competition, with the participation of 15 secondary level school students from 8 different schools, and a Deuda Geet (local song) competition, where 8 different community forest groups participated. The topic of both of the competitions was WED's slogan Forest: Nature at your service. First, second, third and consolation winners were awarded with a certificate and a cash prize. REDP/DDC, DADO, DFO, DBO, DSCO, FECOFON, 4S, World Vision, HEMIYA, RCDS and LI-BIRD were the organizer of the program, and DDC/Jumla was the leader of the organizing committee.

With the topic Biodiversity: its conservation, promotion and proper use and its link with the Environment, LI-BIRD and DADO/Jumla jointly organized a school speech competition at Jharjwala Higher secondary school, Depalgaun-6, Jumla. 6 students, 3 male and 3 female, participated in the event. Certificates and cash prizes were given to four best students.

Reported by: Sandesh Neupane/LI-BIRD, Jumla

अन्य खबर:

ली-बर्ड र सहयोगी हातहरूको समुह, साहास-नेपालको संयुक्त आयोजनामा ओखलढुंगा जिल्लाको इलाका नं. १० मा पर्ने उच्च माध्यामिक विद्यालय, माध्यामिक विद्यालय तथा निम्न माध्यामिक विद्यालयका विद्यार्थीहरू बिच "वातावरण संरक्षणका लागि जैविक विविधता" विषयक अन्तर विद्यालय वतृत्वकला प्रतियोगिता सम्पन्न भएको छ । कार्यक्रममा विभिन्न विद्यालयका प्राचार्य, शिक्षक शिक्षिकाहरू, विद्यार्थी, कृषि तथा वन कार्यालय तथा विभिन्न संघसंस्थाका प्रतिनिधिहरूको उपस्थित रहेको थियो । कार्यक्रममा सहभागी विद्यार्थीहरूले वातावरण संरक्षण, जलवायु परिवर्तन, मानव समाज र वन्यजन्तु माथि यसको असर र यो समस्या निराकरणका लागि जैविक विविधताको महत्वको विषयमा बढि जोड दिएका थिए ।

त्यसैगरी ली-बर्ड जुम्लाले खलंगामा विभिन्न एघारवटा सरकारी तथा गैरसरकारी संघ-संस्थाहरूसँग मिलेर यस वर्षको वातावरण दिवस मनाएको छ । दिवसका अवसरमा वृक्षारोपण गरिनुका साथै, निवन्ध प्रतियोगिता र देउडा नाच प्रतियोगिताको समेत आयोजना गरिएको ली-बर्ड जुम्लाका परियोजना अधिकृत सन्देश न्यौपानेले जानकारी दिनुभयो ।

वातावरण दिवसकै अवसरमा राष्ट्रिय प्रकृति संरक्षण कोष, खुमलटार, ललितपुरको आयोजनामा गएको जेठ २२ गतेदेखि २४ गतेसम्म कोषको आफ्नै भवनमा 'विद्यार्थीहरूका लागि संरक्षण सम्मेलन तथा प्रदर्शनी' भएको छ । प्रधानमन्त्री झलनाथ खनालद्वारा उद्घाटन गरिएको कार्यक्रममा करिब १४ वटा वातावरण, जलवायु परिवर्तन, उर्जा तथा संरक्षण सम्बन्धि अनुसन्धानमूलक कार्यक्रमहरू प्रस्तुत गरिएको थियो । संरक्षण सम्बन्धी विभिन्न विद्यालयबाट चित्रकला, अनुसन्धानसँग सम्बन्धीत पोष्टर तथा फोटोहरू प्रदर्शनीमा राखिएको थियो । यसका अतिरिक्त त्रिभुवन विश्वविद्यालय, काठमाडौं विश्वविद्यालय, सरकारी तथा गैरसरकारी संघ-संस्थाहरूका २० वटा प्रदर्शनी कक्षहरूमाफत संरक्षण क्षेत्रमा नेपालको अवस्था, नेपालमा भएका क्रियाकलापहरू र वातावरण मैत्री प्रविधिहरूको प्रदर्शनी गरिएको थियो । उक्त प्रदर्शनीमा ली-बर्डले जैविक स्रोत व्यवस्थापन सम्बन्धी विभिन्न प्रविधिहरू जस्तै: सामुदायिक बीउ बैंक, सहभागीतामूलक बाली प्रजनन, सिमसार व्यवस्थापन लगायत १२ वटा जैविक विविधता व्यवस्थापन सम्बन्धी तौरतरिकाहरूको प्रदर्शनी गर्नुका साथ ली-बर्डद्वारा प्रकाशित प्रकाशनहरूको वितरण गरेको थियो । प्रदर्शनी स्टलमा करिब पाच हजार विद्यार्थीहरूले प्रत्यक्ष अवलोकन गरेको ली-बर्डका परियोजना अधिकृत सचेस सिलवालले जानकारी दिनुभयो ।

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