Wildlife Week Celebrations 2018 celebrated at Tata Steel Zoological Park

Tata Steel Zoological Park has been celebrating Wildlife Week since 1994 and it is one of the longest running educational programmes of the Zoo. The weeklong programme was celebrated on the theme "Beat Plastic Pollution", from 2-6 October 2018.

It witnessed a number of events including Best Eco Club Award, Inter School Essay Competition, Inter School Debate Competition, Fancy Dress Competition and On the Spot Painting Competition.

About 1400 students from 30 institutions participated.



Inauguration by V.N.Shah, IFS, Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Singhbhum

On 2 October, the chief guest V.N. Shah, I.F.S. – Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Singhbhum inaugurated the celebrations in the presence of guest of honour Radhika Singh, Secretary, Tata Steel Zoological Society. The Chief Guest presented the Best Eco Club Teacher Award



Winner of Best Eco Club Teacher Award

2017-18 to the winner Sangita Sarkar from NML K.P.S, Jamshedpur, runners-up award to Rajalakshmi Sahu from Belpahar English High School, Jharsugoda and the special recommendation award to Maushami Giri, Motilal Nehru Public School, Jamshedpur.

Day one, the results for the Inter-School Essay Competition in Hindi and English were declared and the winners awarded. The topics of the essays in Hindi and in English were "Plastics are harmful to life- system". A total of 119 students participated for both English as well as Hindi from 17 different schools. And the winners were: Khusboo Sawaiyan from Gyandeep School and Anshara Jahan from Motilal Nehru Public School for the Hindi and English categories respectively.

On the second day, debate Competition in Hindi and in English was organized on the topic "Should plastic producing industries be banned?". Anuradha Kumari from KPS, Kadma emerged as winner in the Hindi



Debate Competition on banning plastic industries

category and Sweta Kumari from R.V.S
Academy was the winner in the English
category. Inner Wheel Club of Jamshedpur,
ZEST, sponsored the event and Hon.
Judges Alokananda Bakshi, Kamini Kabir
and Bipul Chakrabarty- Director, Tata Steel
Zoological Park presented the prizes.

On the third day, a fancy dress competition for children was organized. Sneh Kumar from Motilal Nehru Public School was declared the winner in the Junior Category (Nursery & Lower KG) and Snahasis Mondal from K.P.S kadma was the winner in the Senior Category (Upper KG & Std 1). Lions Club of Jamshedpur Steel City sponsored the event. Reepa Dutta, Sunita Singh, Meena Bhagat and Anisha Sinha judged the programme.

On the final day, on-the-spot painting competition was organized in association with Jamshedpur School of Art. A total of 917 students from 30 schools participated. It was organized for four categories-Primary Category (Nursery – Std 1), Junior Category (Std II-V), Middle Category (Std. VI-VIII) and Senior Category (Std. IX-X). The

winners were Bhumi Sharma of Vally View School (Primary Category), Prachi of Tagore Academy (Junior Category), Prem Kumar Das of KPS, Gamharia (Middle Category) and Vikash Prasad of Siksha Niketan (Senior Category). Krishna Sharan Mahato and Jashpal Singh judged the paintings. This was followed by the closing ceremony during which Chief Guest presented awards to the winners.

Dr. Seema Rani, Biologist Cum Education
Officer alongwith her education team
member Pratap Singh Gill and Zoo
volunteers Amlan Das, Bharti, Rahul Tiwari
and Vinay Kumar Pandey coordinated the
events. Likewise, all zoo staff and officers
provided their unconditional support for the
success of the celebration.



Participants during Fancy Dress Parade

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