

World Environment Day celebration at Sundarvan, Ahmedabad



Nature Trail walk for Ahmedabad Mirror Event.

World Environment Day is celebrated since 1974; 'Beat Air Pollution', was the theme for this year. Sundarvan celebrated the day with multiple events based on wildlife education and beat air pollution.

One of the most important entertaining and enthusiastic media partners "Ahmedabad Mirror" celebrated World Environment Day with great enthusiasm and oaths to spread the word among the city to save and conserve the environment with Sundarvan on 30 May, 2019. They involved many other local citizens and children in this event.

There were three major aspects to the event, first was 'nature based treasure hunt' where children learnt about trees, water

conservation and birds. Second session was a Nature trail walk which conducted after the adventure activities to sensitize participants about the wildlife of Sundarvan enclosure. The third and most interesting session was 'Bat Awareness program'. In which participants learnt different things on Bats like- Diversity, Myths, Communication Medium and interesting facts and figures.

In this increasing Global warming and Degradation of trees scenario growing more and more plant is an important aspect, understanding this need and creating a healthy awareness, DACC - Decathlon Ahmedabad Cycling Community, Decathlon Sports India and Sundarvan, Ahmedabad did a "Cycling and plantation drive" on 2



Echolocation Game for Bat Awareness program for Ahmedabad Mirror Event.

awareness program in which introduction on snakes, diversity in India, venomous & non-venomous, caution to avoid snake bite, snakebite and treatment, importance of snakes, threats and conservation measures and myths and facts were delivered to the audience.

June, 2019, where participants cycled a distance of about 10kms and planted around 30 saplings at Sundarvan campus. Later they were briefed about Sundarvan and its activities, also they were informed about importance and reason to celebrate World Environment Day (WED) and also they were introduced to its theme for the year “Beat Air- pollution”.

The participants took a pledge which aimed to collectively work towards conserving environmental resources and keep the earth clean and green. The session got ended with Nature Trail walk where participants got a chance to learn interesting facts and figures about Sundarvan’s wildlife.

Sundarvan celebrated the World Environment Day (WED) on 5 June to sensitize citizens about current environmental issues as well as the theme “Beat Air Pollution”.

Around 150 participants have joined the celebration. We conducted snake

After that Nature Trail walk was conducted in which interesting facts and figures as well as myths associated with the enclosure animals were delivered and got cleared out.

Bat awareness program was also conducted in which facts and figures on bats were delivered and also myths associated with bats got cleared out. The session was followed by a wildlife documentary screening to sensitize the citizens about wildlife.

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