## Vulture Awareness Day celebrated with interschool drawing competition in Kamrup District, Assam

The International Vulture Awareness Day was celebrated on 2 September 2023 by the Vulture Conservation Breeding Centre, Assam with a spectacular interschool drawing competition. This event drew participation from twenty schools, engaging nearly 1,200 students from both urban and rural areas of Kamrup District, Assam.

The competition had the theme of "Nature and Vultures," inviting students to express their creativity and raise awareness about these endangered birds. A diverse array of artistic talents was on display as students unleashed their imaginations on paper.

In a heartwarming display of inclusivity, both private and government schools representing various economic backgrounds, came together for this meaningful event. To ensure fairness, the best drawings from each school were selected as winners.

This approach celebrated the essence of unity in diversity.

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