

A REPORT ON

Celebration of World Environment Day 2018

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY DIAMOND HARBOUR WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY

SPECIAL LECTURE-IV [Date-12.06.2018]

In an attempt to celebrate **World Environment Day 2018**, the Department of Geography of Diamond Harbour Women's University has organised a '**Special Lecture**' on **12th June, 2018** at Conference hall, Academic Building, DHWU. The programme underwent with the active support of the West Bengal Pollution Control Board. The theme of the Special Lecture was "**Beat Plastic Pollution**". Two eminent speakers were invited to enrich with their valuable speech on this occasion.

Dr. Kalyan Rudra, Chairman, West Bengal Pollution Control Board gave a special lecture on "**Pollution of Ganga and Its Management**". At the very first phase of his deliberation, Dr. Rudra highlighted on the importance of River Ganga in our day to day life. He then focussed on the course of the river. He has chalked out the causes of pollution of the river, how the quality of the water of ganga is steadily deteriorating day by day. Not only that, Prof. Rudra also showed the percentages of various pollutants responsible for the pollution of the river. In the second part of the lecture, he assessed the management scenario of the pollution of the river. He reckoned some management strategies to combat pollution of the river. The simple way of speaking was very appealing to the members present over there.



SPECIAL LECTURE-V [Date-12.06.2018]

Dr. Gokul Chandra Debnath, Scientist F, Indian Meteorological Department, Kolkata shared his views on “**Disaster and its Impact on Environment**”. At the very outset, he made the audience realise the subtle differences between Environmental Stress, Hazards and Disasters. The types of disasters along with their spatial coverages were also focussed in his lecture. Dr. Debnath elaborately securitised the causes of disasters, the sources of energy, the origin and development of cyclones, super cyclones, tropical cyclones, Thunderstorms, Hurricanes, Heat Waves, Cold Waves etc. in a very comprehensive manner. He also discussed on the Climatic Hazards of South Bengal. The impact of Disasters on the environment were also assessed in detail by the eminent speaker. Last but not the least, Dr. Debnath mentioned the ways as to what could be done during disaster so that its harmful effects could be minimised.

