5th June, 2016

World Environment Day – Celebrated by Rural Development Wing (RERF) of Brahma Kumaris

Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative in association with Rural Development Wing of Rajyoga Education and Research Foundation is about awakening greater environmental awareness within Rural Communities, as well as collaborating and learning from others through dialogue, partnerships, UN conferences and local initiatives.

The Brahma Kumaris Environmental Policy aims to encourage all of us throughout the organisation to feel that we are guardians of the Earth's resources. This needs real awareness.

We can help each other to grow in terms of our awareness of the natural world as a living system that needs our care; and deepen our concern for cultures living in environmentally susceptible lands. By becoming more mindful of these issues and more compassionate in our attitudes we can make environmental choices that can be felt in all spheres of our lives – in our homes and personal life as well as in Brahma Kumaris activities and buildings. We will use all resources in a more mindful and sustainable way.

World Environment Day was celebrated with enthusiasm by holding cleanliness drives, tree plantation programs, informative talks on our responsibility towards environment, educated the importance of Organic Yogic Farming, competitions for children etc., encouraging different communities to adopt Sustainable Practices and bring awareness on Environmental protection.

Special thanks to Sis. BK Mohini, Chairperson; Bro. BK Raju, HQ. Co-ordinator; Sis. BK Sarla, National Co-ordinator of the Rural Development Wing; & Sis. BK Layanti, NGO representative to the United Nations, Geneva for the Brahma Kumaris; for designing inspiration to build a successful campaign involving thousands of people in hundred plus programs for calling to conserve nature and create a healthy flourishing planet.

OBJECTIVES

- To create awareness at the domestic level about Conservation of
 a) Fuel
 b) Water
 c) Electricity
- To create awareness about Global Warming and its harmful effects
- To discuss with them measures one can take to bring about big changes
- To encourage rural youth & women involvement in environmental issues and its conservation.

METHODSAND MATERIALS

Volunteers were given several tasks involving preparation and implementation of the event.

- Awareness Programs on Environmental Conservation were held in all over the country.
- More focus was given on the interactive session between the participants and the audience.
- On this occasion, massive tree plantations have been done across the country.

IMPACT AND SUSTAINABILITY OF THE INITIATIVE

The impact of the awareness programs was of such intensity that we received instantaneous responses from the audience.

- After the program, In almost every area a few members from the audience, volunteered to accompany us in order to contribute towards the cause.
- The members themselves gave a handful of facts and tips urging others to employ these measures in their daily lives.
- The Plants and seeds distributed by the volunteers were well appreciated and would help serve as reminders for the people to incorporate the measures efficiently.
- Mass Meditations are conducted for energizing the world with positive environment.

LOCATIONS

🗕 🛮 <u>Junagadh, Gujarat</u>



On 5th June Brahma kumaris has organised a program to give awareness on growing pollution and to awaken the consciousness of nature. Mr. S.K. Mehta (IFS – Chief Conservator Of Forest Junagarh Forest Circle) and Shinthil kumaran (Deputy Conservator of Forest – Junagadh Forest Division) were the chief guest there. During the program, centre coordinator BK Sister Damyanti and other guests did Plantation and Junagarh forest dept. has gifted plants to all 200 brothers and sisters.

Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh



An awareness programme in connection with "world environment day" was conducted at Chittoor, A.P. on 5/6/16 -Sunday, at 5:00 p.m. The function was organised under the guidance of B.K. Vasudha behn and B.K. Veena behn. The following three guests attended the program. Sis. Swapna Kumari, Forest Range Officer, West division, Chittoor. Sis. Prema Kumari, Forest rage Officer, social forest dept., Chittoor, Mr. Guna sekhar, Corporate.

↓ <u>Vadasery, Nagercoil, Tamil Nadu</u>



World Environment Day and International Yoga Day celebration was held at Shiva temple, Shivapuram, Kaliyankadu on June 5th, 2016. Bro. Murugan, Temple Trustee, Sis. Kokela Vadasery Incharge, Sis Sidantha Ratnam Anbumathi, Saratha Ashram and Bro. Venkatraman Temple Puchary lighted the Kuthuvilakku and inaugurated the function.

Varachha, Surat, Gujarat





Brahma kumaris brothers and sisters planted many trees in Varachha, Gujarat on world environment day, 5th June.

Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh



Celberating World Environment day doing plantation Srinuvas Raju Garu(R.C.S.Chairman), JSubba Rao Garu (Sayanc Pharma, M.D), B.K.Shekar Bhaiji, B.K.Someswari Sister

Sonipat, Haryana





Brahma kumaris had organised Environment day program on 5th june in sector-15 Haryana. Chief guest was Bro. Lallit Batra (BJP State spokesman), guest Bro. Rampat Jhangra (distt. agriculture engg.) & Bro. Wazir Rohilla (Subedar Major). Everyone did plantation and promised to make improvements to environment.

Sirsa , Haryana



Bro. Jarnail Singh, District & Session Judge, Sirsa attended as a Honorable Guest to inspire the program on World Environment day. This Program was organised by BK Bindu

¥ Y Junction, Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh





On the eve of World Environment Day, Brahma Kumaris, Y Junction, RJY has arranged an awareness program. About 70 people has participated and the Ward Corporator Verra Badram Garu of P & T Colony, ex-corporator J Vijayalaxmi Garu, Dr Bala Nagesh Garu, Dayal homoe clinic and BK Hema(Brahma Kumaris Center Incharge, Rajahmundry) are the chief guests. They all planted the Trees and gave message to save the trees. About 50 plants were distributed to the participants and took an oath to take care of the plants.

Vijaypur, Karnataka





Chikodi center, Belgaum, Karnataka



Guests:-

B.K. Ambika, Shri Manjunath Janamatti (director of krushi ilakhe), Dr. V. V. Sinde (Director of Taluka hospital), Shri N.V.Shirgaokar (R.D.College Professor), B.K.Shanta (Incharge Of Chikodi Center)

Balod, Chhattisgarh



In Program on environment day there was speech by our honourable chief guest Arun Sahu sir about environment pollution, Presentation on "Prevention from pollution", Rajyoga meditation and plants distribution to public.

Sitapur, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh



On world environment day a public program was organised, in which approximately 250 farmers of two villages attended the program. On this occasion neem trees were planted in a farm.

🚣 Jhalawar, Rajasthan



Many trees were planted on the occasion of world environment day

Kalol, Gandhinagar, Gujarat



On 5th June we have celebrated World Environment Day in Kalol Brhamakumaris Center. In this program we have organised different activities like Rally, Poster Competition, tree Plantation in Kalol, PowerPoint Presentation and different groups awareness activity.

Porbandar, Gujarat



On the Day Brahma Kumaris Ruralwing and Porbandar municipality jointly celebrated Porbandar chopaty safari Abhiyan and plantation samaroh. Chief officer Mr Rudresh Hudad and municipal president Bhartiben Modi were present. Cleanliness program was conducted at the Beach.

Proddutur, Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh



Guests

- 1. MLA (Mydukuru Constution) S.Raghurami reddy
- 2. Supe.Engineer (Rayalaseema Thermal Power plant) Seyshareddy
- 3. Divi.Engineer (Rayalaseema Thermal Power plant)
- Srinivasulu
- 4. BK SHANTHA incharge of omshanti bhawan

Proddatur YMR Colony, Andhra Pradesh



World Environment Day celebrated at Proddatur YMR Colony BK Center This program was addressed by Mandal Revenue officer Bro. Chandrasekhar Reddy and Forest Office Ranger Ss. Priyanka.

Hyderabad, Meerpet, Telangana



World environment day celebration at Meerpet HB Colony, Brahma kumaris meditation centre. Sis. BK Sunitha, Telangana state forest academy director P.Raguveer ji, Meerpet HB colony Corporator G. Anjaiah sapling plants near meditation center and many plants were distributed to colony members.

sec-15, Sonepat, Haryana



On world environment day a program was organised, in which chief guest Bro. Lalit Batra(BJP State spokesman), guest Bro. Rampat Jhangra(distt. agriculture engg.) & Bro. Wazir Rohilla (major Subedar) attended the program.

Jind, Haryana



Jind bk meditation centre celebrated world environment day with plantation in near by areas.

∔ Raipur, Chhattisgarh





Brahmakumaris organised environmental festival on world environment day. Chief guest Mr Rajesh Mudat (Environment minister) also motivated the audience to protect environment.

Cuttack , Odisha



On world environment day, students of different schools were participated in a rally, who cleaned some roads and giving the message to keep clean our surroundings and environment.

Suratgarh, Rajasthan



Chief guests - Bro. Surendra chhabra (Business committee president), L. R Daiya (President FX Club, Dev Chand Daiya(chaiman Rotary club), Rajesh Sidana (Chairman of Woman Organization), Jai Chand Chawala (retired principal), B.K Rani (Suratgarh Incharge), Brother Ramesh Ashwani.

Ambikapur, Chhattisgarh



B.K. Brothers and sisters recites slogans on Nature. All guests are felicitated by Godly gifts and Prasad.

Mandsaur, Madhya Pradesh



Organised exhibition on world environment and taken oath by public to protect the environment

Vastrapur, Ahmedabad



celebration.

"World Environment Day" is being celebrated on 5 th June - 2016 by Brahmakumaris Vastrapur (Ambawadi) Under the banner of Rural Development Wing R.E. & Department, Ahmedabad at Vanchetna Kendra Of Forest Department, Daskroi, Ahmedabad.

Many Groups like "Save Birds", "Navjivan Laughing Club", "Bhartiya Yoga Sansthan ", "Senior Citizen Club – Vastrapur" has participated in celebration. All division of life i.e. children, adult and youngsters, senior citizen etc. participated to

Programme is beautified with Slogan Recitation, Voice of Nature songs and dance by children with Natural posters and warm up exercise.

The very first speech is given by Dr. Prakashbhai Chauhan (Group Director, Isro, Ahmadabad) who appreciates Brahmakumaris effort for bringing awareness of environment among people. He explains small routine tips to save environment.

B.K. Janki, member of Rural Development Wing, explains the interdependent relation between soul, Supreme Soul and Nature. She clears with examples how pure and positive vibrations of human being effect natural elements like water, plants and also human mind. She also covers "Shashwat yogic Farming" experiments and finally she makes everybody to experience elevated by conducting "Meditation on five elements". Brother Kaushik Upadhyay (Regional Forest Officer – Daskroi), B.K. Niru (Incharge of Vastrapur Brahmakumaris branch), B.K. Shardadidi (Director of Ambawadi Brahmakumaris centers) also explains how we can contribute to environment.

Mirzapur , Uttar Pradesh

Experts have given detail discription using projector on the crucial environment topics like use of medicinal plants, disadvantage of plastic products, side effects of chemical fertilizers. At the end of the program plantation was done.





Sonipat, Haryana



environment pollution.

Environment Day was celebrated at Sonipat Retreat Centre . Hon'ble Mrs Kavita Jain (Haryana Minister for Local Self Govt and Women Empowerment) was the Chief Guest. Mr Rajiv Jain (Vice President of Bhartiya Janta Party Haryana) was among the distinguished guests present.

Mrs Kavita Jain planted Tulsi sapling and emphasized the need of tree plantation to save the mother earth from deterioration as a result of

Lashkar, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh





Chief guests - Mr Gajendra arora (JCl club), Speakers of the program- B.K. Adarsh (Center Incharge), B.K. Dr. Gurucharan. Theme of the speech delivered by Speaker- "Awareness about environment"

Bijapur, Karnataka



Program was inaugurated by Shri Pitar Algjandar (Social worker) and shri vasudev Tolbandi (Director, NGO), shri Ravindra Loni (Municipirty Member), Shri Prapul Manganvar (President of Basveshwar Sasta), and bk sisters and brothers

🕌 <u>Kadapa , Andhra Pradesh</u>



Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh



Hinmal, Rajasthan



Palanpur, Gujarat



Kota, Rajasthan





Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh



Jamkhed, Maharashtra



Guwahati, Assam



On 5th June they celebrated WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY with different activities such as Drawing Competition program, Awareness Program, Plantation, Inauguration of Computer Lab

Neemuch, Madhya Pradesh







WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY was celebrated with enthusiasm by planting trees. Lighting the candles are Industrialist D.S.Chouradiya with MLA Dilipsinh Parihar, BK Surendra and BK Savita with others. Participants taking oath to protect environment.

Tiruvannamalai, Tamilnadu





Nungambakam, Tamilnadu



Balasore, Tamilnadu





Korba, Chattisgarh



Hathras, UP



BK Saroj Didi Planting tree with district officials in Hathras.

Billimora, Gujarat





Thousands of people participated in the World Environment Day. Municipal Chairman Sis. Sumalata Verma, Sis. Hetal Desai, BK Prabha, BK Jagruti and BK Gurudevi addressed the program.

Dhamtari, Chattisgarh





World Environment Day appealed a global action through an awareness program Bro.Amar Sahu, Principal of the Government PG College, Smt. Anita Babar, President of Lions Club International, BK Sarita on the dias.

Tosham, Punjab



Assandh, Haryana



Thousands of participants took advantage of environmental awareness program held at Assandh. Bro. S.P.Chauhan, Chairman, Navchetan Manch, Dr. J.C. Mahela, Ex-Director, CCSHAV, Uchani, BK Meharchand, BK Puranchand, BK Mohan and BK Usha inspired participants.

Bhubaneshwar(Khandagiri), Gujarat



Mehsana, Gujarat



BK Sarla, National Co-ordinator of the Rural Development Wing planting tree on World Environment Day.

Rajkot(Awadhpuri), Gujarat





Korba, Chattisgarh





Raygada, Orissa





4 Gandhinagar, Gujarat



Bro. N.S. Yadav, Deputy Conservator of Forests,; Smt. Meera Ram Nivas, IPS, of Human rights; Bro. K.U.Mistry, Chairman, Gujarat Pollution Control Board; BK Bharatbhai Shah, BK Janki ben and BK Kailash Didi addressed the program.

Bilaspur, Chattisgarh



Rewa, Madhya Pradesh



West Maredpally, Secunderabad, Telangana





Rajkot, Gujarat





Gulmohar Colony, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh





Ajmer(Chaurasia Road), Rajasthan



Rajkot (Jasdan), Gujarat





Ranchi, Jharkhand



Borakhalan, Haryana



Aburoad, Rajasthan



Celebrated World Environment Day by planting trees in Aburoad. This program was inspired by BK Murthyunjaya, Executive Secretary of Brahma Kumaris, BK Bharat, BK Dev and others.

NEPAL

Nepal - Dhankuta Program:



Peace March Held at Dhankuta.
Chief Guest - Shri Ganesh Dahal
(Land Devlopment Officer), Guest Dr. Madan Upadhyay (Dist. Health
Officer), Shri. Gopal Guragain (Ex MP
Dhankuta), Shri Balram Dahal
(Journalist), B.K. Shrikant Bhai, B K
Nirmala Bahen (Center Incharge)

Damauli, Nepal

