

World Environment Day Celebration at School of Infrastructure, IIT Bhubaneswar

School of Infrastructure, IIT Bhubaneswar observed World Environment day (WED) on 5th June 2019. The theme decided by UN for this year's WED was "Air Pollution" with the motto of Cleaning the air, Combating the Air Pollution. The initiative was taken by research scholars of Environmental Engineering specialisation of the school to organise the event with great spirit and enthusiasm. The day began with plantation drive within the department by the faculty members and students. A total of 100 plant saplings including indoor and outdoor plants such as Mili plant, Aerilia, Thuja, Croton, Areca Palm, Madagascar Periwinkle etc. were planted inside and outside the department premises. After plantation, Dr. R. R. Dash welcomed all and Head of School Prof. R. K. Panda addressed the gathering. Prof. Panda ushered the importance of plants in human life, and urged the students to protect the nature through developing eco-friendly technologies. Additionally, a lecture on benefits of cold mix bitumen in place of hot mix bitumen for road construction to as a greed technology to reduce air pollution was delivered by Bitchem officials Mr. Rajiv Mohanty and Mr. Sumitra Jena. A poster making, waste to craft making and slogan writing bearing the theme "save environment" competition was held in the School. More than twenty students participated in competitions. Ms. Asmita Mohapatra was announced the winner for her poster themed "Green Angel" in poster making competition; whereas, there were joint winners in the waste to craft category Ms. Priyanka and Ms. Bushra along with Ms. Somdipta, Ms. Kumari Priyanka and Mr. Prashanth.



