

St. Edmund's College

# **Annual Report 2021-2022**

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Event: Earth Day, 2021

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2021

N.O.W Eco-club and the Department of Environmental Science in collaboration with IQAC St. Edmund's College organized a virtual Earth Day Celebration on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021. The main purpose of the event was to spotlight on the importance of Mother Earth and Restore Our Earth which happened to be the theme of 51<sup>st</sup> Earth Day anniversary since 1970. On this day a number of UG students and few staffs from the different departments were present.

During the programme, a presentation as well as video presentation was delivered by Arati Gurung of 4<sup>th</sup> semester EVS Department showing how precious our Earth is but unfortunately how cruel mankind had been to them. Manroi Imon Rymbui embraced the event by her welcoming speech. Following to which the college Principal, Dr. Sylvanus Lamare shared an unheard folklore of the region stating that 'Meghalaya shares a strong bond with Mother Nature since time immemorial'. Ancient Khasi scriptures such as 'Hynniew Trep Hynniew Skum', 'Ka Mei-Mariang', 'Ka Mei-Ramew', 'Ka Soti Juk' which translates as "at the very beginning of mankind, the Mother Nature, the Mother Earth was comparable to heaven, so pure dazzling with tranquality", the Principal added. Also an introductory speech was delivered was Lucky G Momin on World Earth Day starting from its history, its theme, its importance and the different principles to restore it. Kevin Thubru took the privileged to share the inspiring words on behalf of the vice Principal. Also a poem was cited and entitled as "Earth" by Biwel Binong followed by poster display prepared by the fourth semester students. And lastly there was an Earth Day Challenge to which every participant could not resist to take part after the exemplary knowledge that were shared to them. Eventually the event came to an unprecedented end with the thanksgiving speech delivered by John Robert Dkhar.



INTRODUCTORY SPEECH BY
LUCKY G MOMIN

\*MESSAGE BY VICE PRINCIPAL

PRESENTATION BY
ARATI GURUNG

DISPLAY OF POSTERS

EARTH DAY CHALLENGE

VOTE OF THANKS BY JOHN ROBERT

# EARTH DAY CELEBRATION





The Department of Environmental Science

N.O.W. Eco Club
in collaboration with the
IQAC St. Edmunds College, Shillong
invites you to join us to a scheduled Zoom event
on the 22nd of April 2021 to observe

#### **Earth Day**

TIME - 2PM TO 3PM

Eligible participants UG students of the college

For Registration , Touch this Green Leaf



**Event: World Environment Day, 2021** 

Date: 5th June, 2021

The students and members of the N.O.W. Eco-Club and Department of Environmental Science, St. Edmund's College observed World Environment Day on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2021 by planting trees in their residences or native places and Biwel Binong of 4<sup>th</sup> semester organized plogging and tree plantation event at Marngar Village.

This year's World Environment Day, 5 June 2021, was about preventing, halting, and reversing environmental damages to our Earth's ecosystems. It focuses in the ecosystem restoration and its theme is "Reimagine. Recreate. Restore." Ecosystem restoration means preventing, halting and reversing this damage – to go from exploiting nature to healing it.





Event: Van Mohatsav Week, 2021

Date: 1st to 7th July, 2021

N.O.W Eco-club and the Department of Environmental Science, St. Edmund's College organized a Photography and Videography Competition on the occasion of Van Mohatsav Week held from the 1<sup>st</sup> of July to 7<sup>th</sup> of July 2021. In the photography Competition, participants are planting a tree and took a picture of themselves during planting. And in the videography competition the participants create their original video of 1 minute duration relevant to Van Mohatsav occasion. Van Mahotsav or Forest Festival is an annual tree-planting festival celebrated in the month of July in which thousands of trees are planted all over the country. Van Mahotsav week is celebrated from 1 July to 7 July to spread awareness of forest conservation and to save the environment.







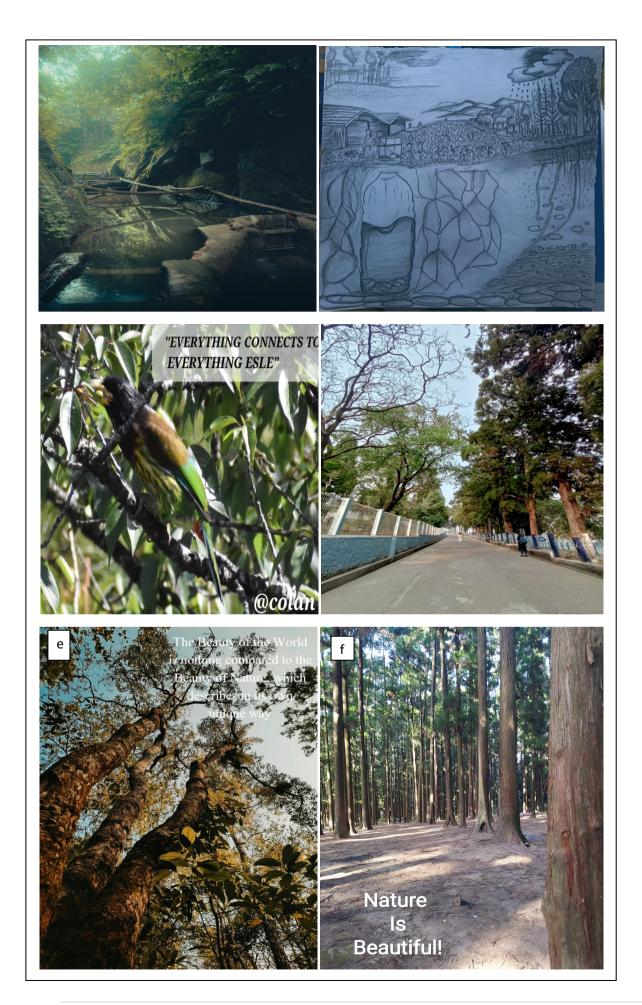
**Event: World Water Day** 

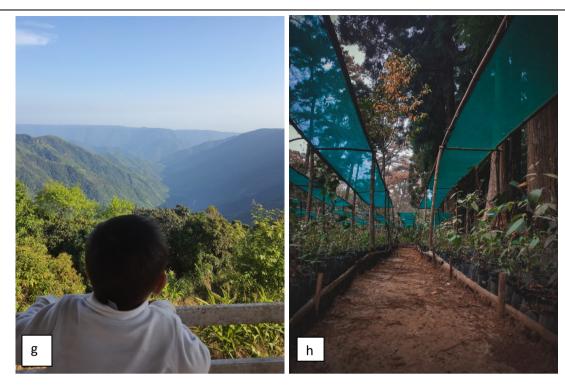
Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022

N.O.W Eco-club and the Department of Environmental Science, St. Edmund's College organized an online Photography/Painting/Sketching Competition on the occasion of World Water Day, 2022.

World Water Day, on 22 March every year, is about focusing attention on the importance of water. This year's theme 'groundwater', draws attention to the hidden water resource that has always been critically important but not fully recognized in sustainable development policymaking.

In this competition, there were 9 participants of whom Ginbiaklian Tombing, B.Sc. 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Department of Environmental Science bagged the first prize; Ahsan Sabry, BSW 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Department of Social Work got second prize and third prize was won by Edimon Kharkongor, B.Sc. 4th semester, Department of Mathematics.







- a) Ahsan Sabry (MSW 4<sup>rd</sup> Sem) 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize
- b) Ankita Basumatary (EVS 4<sup>th</sup> sem)
- c) Betwansaoo Passah (Botany 4<sup>th</sup> sem)
- d) Dorin Pathak (Biotech 4<sup>th</sup> sem)
- e) Edimon Kharkongor (Maths, 4<sup>th</sup> sem) **3<sup>rd</sup> Prize**
- f) Ginbiaklian Tombing (EVS 2<sup>nd</sup> Sem) First Prize
- g) Iarida Laloo (History, 6<sup>th</sup> sem)
- h) Mebanshan Suna (Maths, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sem)
- i) Satarupa Saikia (Bio-Chem, 6<sup>th</sup> sem)

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**Event: World Forestry Day** 

Date: 21st March 2022

The N.O.W. Eco-Club and the Department of Environmental Science, St. Edmund's College, are organizing a Poetry Writing Competition to mark the occasion of World Forestry Day, 2022 with a theme "Forest and Sustainable Production and Consumption". The United Nation General Assembly proclaimed 21 March the International Day of Forests (IDF) in 2012. The day celebrates and raises awareness of the importance of all types of forests. On each International Day of Forests, countries are encouraged to undertake local, national and international efforts to organize activities involving forests and trees, such as tree planting campaigns. Forest sustainable management and resource use are critical to preventing climate change and contributing to present and future generations' prosperity and well-being. Forests are also important for poverty alleviation. Despite these priceless environmental, economic, social, and health benefits, global deforestation continues at an alarming rate.

This year's World Forestry Day, the winners of the poetry writing competition are - Sebril N. Arengh, B.Sc. 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Department of Mathematics and Lijar Ngulom, BA 6th semester, Department of Political Science.

**Event: International Day for Biological Diversity** 

Date: 22nd May 2022

N.O.W Eco-club and the Department of Environmental Science, St. Edmund's College is celebrating International Day for Biological Diversity on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 with a theme "Building a shared future for all life" by organizing a 1 Minute Film Competition. The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity is pleased to announce the Biodiversity Day 2022 slogan: "Building a shared future for all life". The slogan was chosen to continue building momentum and support for the post-2020 global biodiversity framework to be adopted at the upcoming UN Biodiversity Conference #COP15. The slogan is available in the 6 United Nations languages. Biodiversity remains the answer to several sustainable development challenges. From nature-based solutions to climate, health issues, food and water security, and sustainable livelihoods, biodiversity is the foundation upon which we can build back better.

In this competition, Vania Shadap, B.Sc. 4<sup>th</sup> semester, Department of Environmental Science bagged the first prize.