

Saving the planet, Going Sustainable and Nature Conservation - our Prime Responsibly!

World Trade Center Jaipur in association with World Trade Center and National Skill Training Institute (W), Directorate General of Training, Ministry of Skill Development and Training, commemorated World Environment Day 2023 by organizing an informative speech on the 'Importance of Conservation and Protection of the Environment'. Industry experts and thought leaders present at the programme took up answered several questions that the participants had on burning issues such as climate change, deforestation, soil erosion, plastic waste, carbon emissions etc. Subsequently, a tree plantation drive was also organized at the NSTI (W) campus.

Speaking on the occasion **Mrs. Shailaja Deval, I.F.S., Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Wildlife Training Institute (R.F.W.T.I.), Jaipur and Chief Conservator Forest, Rajasthan** said that the World Environment Day was introduced by the United Nations General Assembly in 1972, to remember the Stockholm Discussion on Human Environment. However, it was observed for the first time in 1974 in Spokane city, United States of America. In order to protect and conserve nature, the Indian Government introduced the National Social Forestry Project by the Forestry Training Institute, Jaipur in 1986 amid a sprawling green campus in the heart of the city on Jawaharlal Nehru Marg. Two subsidiary campuses function from Jodhpur and Alwar providing regular training to foresters, forest guards and frontline staff. Having come a long way since its inception, the R.F.W.T.I. today stands out as an excellent support center for new challenges emerging out of the changing role of forestry in the precariously placed 21st century environment. "Balancing and managing the fast-diminishing forest resources equitably along with ensuring sustainable livelihood security to people living in and around forested areas for generations in a demanding task, while coupled with the imminent threat from global warming and vanishing wild species of flora and fauna, the job of the forester has become singularly difficult." pointed out Mrs. Deval.

Dr. Nivedita Kaul, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, MNIT, Jaipur deliberated, "If life is conceivable on earth, then the chief reason behind it is the green cover of trees and jungles resulting in abundant oxygen. Trees are also a big source of medicine and the best recourse to check soil erosion; hence we should plant trees in abundance. Understanding our accountability towards the atmosphere, deforestation has to be kept under check at all cost, as it takes years for a tree to grow and just a minute to bring it down. Trees safely can be considered as best friends of all existing life."

Mr. S. S. Naik, Regional Director, RDSDE (Rajasthan) and HoD for NSTI (W) Jaipur, in his address said that this is a day to pledge ourselves to save the atmosphere, capitalize in plants and develop the green belt for our future generations, say no to pollution and yes to recycling. Mr. Naik further stressed on making a promise to attune and fight against global warming and climate change by saving water and contributing to reduce the greenhouse gas impact.

Mrs. Omwati Udigiria, Assistant Director of Training, NSTI (W), Jaipur proposed the vote of thanks.

The programme was held on June 5, 2023.



Photo Caption:

(From left to right): Mr. S. S. Naik, Regional Director, RDSDE (Rajasthan) and HoD for NSTI (W) Jaipur; Mrs. Shailaja Deval, I.F.S., Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Wildlife Training Institute (R.F.W.T.I.), Jaipur and Chief Conservator Forest, Rajasthan; Dr. Nivedita Kaul, Associate Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, MNIT, Jaipur; Mrs. Omwati Udigiria, Director of Training, NSTI (W), Jaipur and Mr. Navneet Agarwal, Assistant Director, WTC Jaipur.