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**Report on Plantation Drive and Awareness  
Programme on the Theme 'Ending Plastic Pollution  
Globally' Held at BBDU on the Occasion of World  
Environment Day 2025  
(05 June 2025)**



# Celebration of World Environment Day – 2025

## Theme- Ending Plastic Pollution Globally

The Environmental Information, Awareness, Capacity Building and Livelihood Program Centre (EIACP) at National Botanical Research Institute celebrated “World Environment Day” on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025, on this year’s global theme “Ending Plastic Pollution Globally” in collaboration with Babu Banarasi Das University, Lucknow, and with Gracious Glory Innovative Education Foundation, Lucknow. The event was hosted at the Conference Hall, CA Block of BBD University.

The poster for World Environment Day 2025 features a light blue background with a water ripple effect. At the top, it displays logos for CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI), LIFE, and the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC). The text reads: "CSIR-National Botanical Research Institute (NBRI) Environmental Information, Awareness, Capacity Building & Livelihood Programme Centre (EIACP-PC) (Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC) Government of India) Celebrates WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 5 JUNE 2025 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Venue: Conference Hall, CA Block, BBD University, Lucknow THEME: ENDING PLASTIC POLLUTION GLOBALLY JOINTLY ORGANIZED WITH BBD UNIVERSITY, Gracious Glory Innovative Education Foundation, and NSS Unit IV School of Management, Babu Banarasi Das University". A cartoon girl character is on the left. The "PLASTIC POLLUTION CRISIS" section lists four points: 1. More than 400 million tonnes (MTs) of plastic are produced every year worldwide (UNEP). 2. Globally an estimated 11 MTs of plastic waste leaks into aquatic ecosystems each year (UNEP). 3. Without urgent action, plastic waste could triple to 1.2 billion tonnes by 2060 (OECD). 4. Only about 9% of plastic is actually recycled globally (OECD). A circular diagram on the right shows the 6R principles: Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair, and Rethink. The bottom of the poster includes the text "NBRI/EIACP PROGRAMME CENTRE ON PLANTS AND POLLUTION" and the website "http://nbrienvs.nic.in/".

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The event aimed to raise awareness among youth and the academic community about the devastating impacts of plastic pollution on ecosystems, human health, and sustainable development. It drew active participation from students, faculty, researchers, and environmental enthusiasts. The event began with a Plantation Drive. Over 20 saplings of native and environment-friendly species, such as Ashok (*Saraca asoca*), Neem (*Azadirachta indica*), and Bargad (*Ficus benghalensis*), were planted in the BBD University Campus under the initiative “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam”. This campaign, translating to “A Tree in the Name of Mother,” aims to foster emotional and ecological responsibility by encouraging people to plant trees as a tribute to their mothers and Mother Earth. Students, faculty members, NSS volunteers, and staff enthusiastically participated in planting the trees as a living tribute to their mothers.



Following the plantation activity, the main program commenced under the coordination of Dr. Kausledra Singh, Assistant Professor, BBD University, who served as the event coordinator. He welcomed all attendees with an introductory speech.







Following the Plantation drive, Dr. Kausledra Singh, Assistant Professor, BBD University, delivered a welcome address. **Dr. Anju Patel, Scientist, Environmental Technologies Division, CSIR NBRI, and Co-coordinator, NBRI-EIACP,** delivered an interactive lecture on World Environment Day and enlightened students about the theme of WED-2025, and also highlighted the history of WED as well as emphasized ways to reduce plastic use and adopt alternatives to single-use plastics. Dr. Patel emphasized, *“Ending plastic pollution is not a choice but a necessity. Through awareness, innovation, and responsible action, we can turn the tide against plastic waste.”*





Later, **Dr. Sandhya Mishra, Programme Officer, NBRI-EIACP** gave a brief introduction about the aim and objective of NBRI-EIACP Centre and its thematic area of “Plants and Pollution. She also informed the students about the Green Planner app, NBRI-ENVIS website, and Green Skill Development courses, which aim to enhance awareness and skill-building in environmental conservation. Dr. Mishra also delivered a lecture on the Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) initiative. She eloquently explained the objectives and seven themes of Mission LiFE and emphasized how each individual can become an agent of change through conscious consumption, waste reduction, and eco-friendly habits. Dr. Mishra’s lecture is specially focused on the Mission LiFE theme “Single Use-Plastic Reduced,” which aligned perfectly with the spirit of WED-2025. It reinforced the message that every citizen has a crucial role to play in protecting the environment by embracing eco-conscious habits.



Her session was followed by a unique dart game organized by Dr. Vartika and Ms. Ruchi, Project Assistant, NBRI. The game involved a magnetic dartboard with the seven themes of Mission Life written on it. Participants had to throw the dart towards the center, where "Mission Life" was inscribed, to win an award. This engaging activity successfully captured the interest of students and staff alike.

After the dart game, a session on plastic pollution emphasized by Mrs. Shikha Raj, CEO, Gracious Glory Innovative Education Foundation. Mrs. Raj talks on the environmental and health hazards of plastic, recent innovations in biodegradable alternatives, and strategies for individual and institutional action.



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The event concluded with a speech by **Dr. Prabhash Chandra Pathak**, Programme Coordinator, National Service Scheme, BBD University, Lucknow, who appreciated the initiative taken by NBRI-EIACP and underlined the university's commitment to fostering environmental consciousness among its students. Dr. Pathak administered the Mission LiFE Pledge to all the attendees, committing to sustainable practices in their daily lives. The event witnessed the enthusiastic participation of 66 students.



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The celebration was a part of a broader national campaign by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC), Government of India, implemented through the NBRI-EIACP Centre to promote awareness and action on environmental issues.



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