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### World Environment Day celebration 2023 Williamnagar Govt. College

Every year, the World Environment Day is celebrated on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June, to create awareness on the environmental problems and pollution, and to encourage efforts to protect the environment. This year's theme is "Solutions to Plastic Pollution" under the campaign #BeatPlasticPollution.

The Ong'telaigipa Environmental Club, Williamnagar Govt. College celebrated this year's World Environment Day through a series of Three-day events. Furthermore, this year also marks the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the World Environment Day celebration, therefore the activities adopted by the Ong'telaigipa Environmental Club was to ensure that the Institution raises awareness and put to the fore the pressing issues regarding plastic pollution.

Day 1 of celebration was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2023 with a Tree Planation Activity organized by the Environmental Club in collaboration with the EBSB Committee of the Institution. A total of 45 Tree saplings were planted in the college premises, comprising of fruit-yielding plant species of the Garo Hills region. These tree species are essential in ensuring the ecological balance in the college campus. The objective of the Tree Plantation Activity was to educate people on the significance of local species of flora and fauna in the ecological balance by filling a niche that no other species could. These species are also affected by deforestation and environmental pollution, which would have catastrophic effects on the local environment and climate.

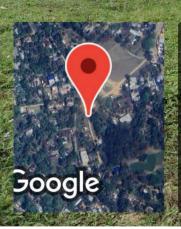


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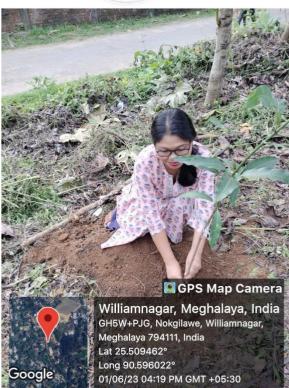


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Day 2 of celebration was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2023 with an E-waste Recycling Activity organized by the Environmental Club of the Institution. The faculties and students of the Institution were encouraged to bring their electronic waste to the college campus and the ewaste were collected and delivered to J S Enterprise, an E-waste collection unit. A total of 249 Kgs of e-waste was generated by the Institution, comprising of computers, printers, photocopy machines, ceiling fans, electric kettle, computer accessories, LED bulbs, miscellaneous items, etc. The objective of encouraging e-waste collection is to accentuate the significance of recycling all kinds of electronic wastes, by tackling both issues of environmental pollution and public health. Electronic devices are comprised of toxic substances and heavy metals, which if disposed carelessly, not only cause environmental pollution, but has significant impact on the health of people. Therefore, the initiative of E-waste Recycling has been adopted as a part of this year's celebration of the World Environment Day in order to put into practice the proper disposal of not only Plastic wastes, but also electronic wastes, which are made with a variety of materials such as metals and plastics.

# Recycle Today For A Better Future

THE ONG TELAIGIPA ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB, WILLIAMNAGAR GOVT. COLLEGE INVITES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN RECYCLING ELECTRONIC WASTES ON THE 2ND OF JUNE, 2023 IN CELEBRATING THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2023

Please bring any electronic waste to the college.
\* Keep the e-waste in the e-waste box.
\* Participate with the Club in delivering the e-waste to J.S. Enterprise, E-waste collection, at Soil IB, Williamanagar.

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Furthermore, a cleaning drive in the parking area of the college was also conducted by the office staff, whereby plastic wastes were segregated and collected, while bio-degradable wastes were disposed off properly.



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Day 3 of celebration was held on the 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 with the World Environment Day celebration. The Programme was held at 1 p.m. in the presence of the Principal, Shri. Rajiv K Marak; the Convener and Members of the 'Ong'telaigipa' Environmental Club; the faculties; students and student members of WGC Students' Union; and the non-teaching staff of Williamnagar Government College. A Keynote Address was also given by the Principal on the message of the World Environment Day, 2022 theme, followed by the collection of plastic bottles, old items such as shoes and other recyclable items. Furthermore, a pledge activity on 'NO PLASTIC CAMPAIGN' also was conducted through a Google Form (https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1mcp5mu\_58gb5K0Hj9w0LJvfqEJkE3DBVzWoMXpG90 mM/edit?pli=1) and received a successful response from the students and faculties of the Institution. Furthermore, the Environmental Club distributed **Bamboo Toothbrushes** to the faculties, students, and non-teaching staff of the Institution with an objective to bring to the fore the important role that individuals play in reducing plastic waste. Plastic pollution cannot be tackled exclusively by the manufacturing sector and the government. As consumers, we must change our consumption habits by making choices to purchase environmentally friendly products. A **Bamboo toothbrush** is one such change, by making a conscious choice on an item that we use on a daily basis in order to reduce plastic pollution. The Programme concluded with a photo session and light refreshments that followed thereafter.





This year's theme is focused on the solutions to Plastic pollution, under the campaign #BeatPlasticPollution

The Ong'telaigipa Environmental Club of Williamnagar Govt. college brings to the fore the dangers of plastic pollution on our health, the economy and the environment which can no longer be ignored. So let us join hands together and commit to reduce the consumption of single-use plastic, which can and must be replaced with durable and sustainable alternatives.

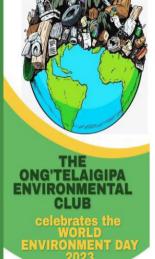
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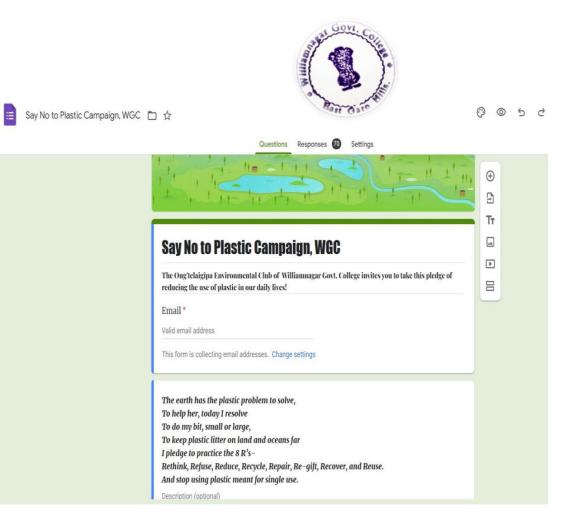
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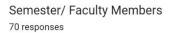


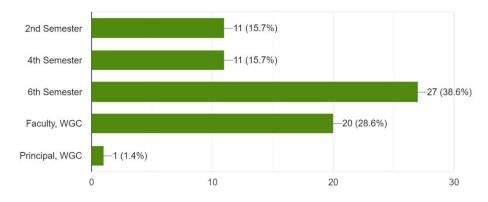
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