Report on One-Day Awareness Programme on Wildlife Protection
Date: 07-10-2026

Organized By: Department of Wildlife Protection, Pampore in collaboration with the Department of Geography, Government Degree College (GDC), Pampore
Venue: Mini-Auditorium, GDC Pampore
Target Audience / Participants: Students, faculty members and trainees from the Jammu and Kashmir Institute of Management and Public Administration (IMPA), Srinagar.
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A One-Day Awareness Programme on Wildlife and Wetland Protection was successfully organized by the Department of Wildlife Protection, Pampore, in collaboration with the Department of Geography, Government Degree College (GDC), Pampore. The primary objective of the program was to sensitize students, faculty, trainees from IMPA and the local community to the ecological significance of wildlife conservation and the urgent need to preserve wetland ecosystems.

The event commenced with a formal welcome to the Chief Guest, Prof. Gazala Gaiys, Principal, GDC Pampore, Guests, Dignitaries and participants. The keynote address was delivered by Jan Mohammad Mir, Block Officer Pampore Wetlands who emphasized the vital role educational institutions play in fostering environmental stewardship. Officials from the Department of Wildlife Protection, Pampore, alongside faculty members and visiting trainees from Jammu and Kashmir Institute of Management and Public Administration (IMPA), Srinagar attended the inaugural session.

Students from GDC Pampore actively participated by delivering speeches focused on two primary themes: Wildlife conservation by highlighting the ecological balance, human-wildlife conflict mitigation and biodiversity protection. Wetland conservation by emphasizing the ecological functions of wetlands as carbon sinks, natural flood buffers and habitats for migratory birds. Officials and experts from the Department of Wildlife Protection, Pampore, delivered insightful technical presentations. The presentations covered the current state of local wildlife in the region; threat factors facing local wetlands, including habitat degradation, pollution and climate impacts. They also discussed about the conservation strategies, legal frameworks and field measures implemented by the department to preserve biodiversity. Also Advocate Nadeem Qadri discussed about Pampore as a unique landscape for wildlife conservation which was followed by a speech by Seerat Ul Nisar, CEO, the nature school.

The program witnessed enthusiastic participation across all sessions. Notably, trainees from the Jammu and Kashmir Institute of Management and Public Administration (IMPA) alongside faculty members and students of GDC Pampore actively engaged in discussions, Q&A segments and interactive exchanges with the guest experts. Following the technical and student sessions, a felicitation ceremony was held to acknowledge the contributions of key speakers, organizers, and persons from wildlife department. Certificates of participation and appreciation were distributed to student speakers and volunteers to encourage future initiatives.

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It was followed by address to the gathering by the Chief Guest, Prof. Gazala Gaiys, Principal, GDC Pampore who highlighted the significance of the role of youth in wildlife and wetlands conservation. The program concluded with a vote of thanks. The event successfully heightened awareness among participants and reinforced the necessity of continuous inter-departmental collaboration, student engagement and community involvement in preserving wetlands and protecting local wildlife.



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