

Guwahati Tiger Festival concludes



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The Guwahati Tiger Fest was organized at the Royal Global School to coincide with Earth Day [2016](#). The Tiger Fest was the culmination of the Sanctuary Asia Aircel Kids For Tigers programme for the year 2015-16 at Guwahati. Hundreds of students from various [city](#) schools were enraptured by an audio-visual presentation by Sanctuary Asia Founder Editor Bittu Sahgal. Dance, drama, songs, face painting, [wall](#) painting, fancy dress, art installation, wildlife photo exhibition, poster making, tree plantation, were among the activities organized in a festive ambience. A Teachers Environmental Leadership Workshop was also organized at the sidelines with presentations by NEHU Research Scholar Debajit Kalita and Green Guard [Nature](#) Organization Secretary General Rituraj Phukan. Mr. Pradipta Baruah, Assistant Conservator of Forests presently posted at the Assam State Zoo cum Botanical [Garden](#), also interacted with the teachers about the current threats to wildlife conservation and the initiatives by the forest department.

Besides the host school, students from International School, Maria's Public School, Maharishi Vidya Mandir Public School, Rajgarh and the [Kaziranga](#) English School participated in the festivities. In consonance with the Earth Day [2016](#) theme 'Trees for the Earth', several saplings were planted by the students, teachers and naturalists around the sprawling campus of Royal Global School. The students also signed a scroll for [wildlife](#) conservation and shared their thoughts about Mother earth on a Wishing Tree installation at the venue. Several naturalists and [wildlife](#) photographers including Sanctuary [Wildlife](#) Service [Award](#) winner and Tiger Defender Binod Dulu Borah, [Ranjan](#) Barthakur, Diganta Goswami, Jyoti Bikash, Rubul Deka and Seemanta Jyoti Baishya interacted with the students. Green Guard [Nature](#) Organization, who facilitated the organization of the Tiger Fest, has been implementing the Kids For Tigers programme in Assam since the past several years.



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