

WE Day observed in Indo-Bhutan area



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World [Environment](#) Day was observed in various places of Bhergaon sub-division in [Udalguri](#) district on June 5 with variety of programmes. In [Bornadi Wildlife](#) Sanctuary near Indo-Bhutan border, the day was [celebrated](#) with a district level [workshop](#) on identification of local plants and habitat. It was organised jointly by “Elephants on the Line” and forest staff of [Bornadi Wildlife](#) Sanctuary. Dr. Pranjal Bezbarua conducted the day long [workshop](#) which was inaugurated by [wildlife](#) activist Jayanta Kumar [Das](#) at 10 am. Twenty members of [EOL](#) and five forest officials of [Bornadi Wildlife](#) Sanctuary participated in the programme. NC Thakuria, Range Officer, [Bornadi](#) WLS attended it as the guest of honour. Speaking on the occasion the Range Officer spoke on severe human elephant conflict with special reference to [Udalguri](#) and Bhutan where more than sixty people and twenty eight wild elephants have died in last three years. According to him herds of wild elephants come down to [Udalguri](#) villages adjunct to Bhutan hills not because of food or water but the safety of the new born babies, as the new born babies can not walk on muddy and sleepery hilly lands in Bhutan. He requested all to join hands to minimize [HEC](#) casualties in the district by creating awareness among people.

Dipen Boro, central vice president of ABSU and Buddhi Ram Boro, former advisor of ABSU district committee also attended the [workshop](#) as invited guests. The sanctuary authority took all the participants inside the sanctuary for a technical session. The participants planted a few saplings in the sanctuary on the occasion of [WED](#).

WE Day was also observed centrally at [Khalingduar](#) Reserve Forest near Bhutan border. Dhansiri Forest Division, [Udalguri](#) organized the programme at Nonai Range Office. Man-elephant conflict being the burning issue in the district, massive plantation programme specially with elephant fodder species were planted at the periphery of [Khalingduar](#) Reserve Forest. As per traditional system, a worship to wild elephants was organized inside the forest before the plantation programme. Sadhana Hojai, DC, [Udalguri](#); Suresh Tanti, MCLA, BTC; GN Adhikari, DFO, [Udalguri](#); SDO (C) and SDPO, Bhergaon sub-division; army officers of Hatigarh army camp; SSB officers of 23 and 37 BN; tea garden managers of Bhutiachang, Nonaipara and Borongajuli were among those attended the programme beside students and villagers of the locality. At Kalaigaon DN Hazarika, Circle Officer, Kalaigaon Revenue Circle organized [WED](#) celebration with day long programme. A mini garden named -“Mor Kon Bagicha” was inaugurated by Utpal Sarma.

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