

DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITY: JUNE 2025

NAME OF EVENT: WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

ORGANISED BY: Department of Geography

DATE: 5th June, 2025

VENUE: Lord Sinha Road

TOPIC: COMBAT PLASTIC POLLUTION

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS: 46 (Sem IV)

CO-ORDINATOR: Dr Nivedita Roy Barman

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Students made 200 carry bags of small, medium and large sizes with newspapers and stood at shops and stalls along Lord Sinha Road to replace single use plastic packets given by shopkeepers to the clients.

OUTCOME: The students succeeded in reducing plastic usage, particularly single use thin plastic packets which are more prone to leaching harmful chemicals into the food they hold causing serious health issues. Moreover, thin plastic packets are discarded after one use and contribute more to plastic pollution. Alternatives like biodegradable paper bags should be more frequently used to combat plastic pollution and that is what the students wanted to impress upon the shopkeepers by not only standing at the stalls and personally handing over the packets to the buyers but also giving the vendors paper packets made by them.

