

## **Report on Prize Distribution Ceremony and Release of Book, Newsletter and a Video on SUP**

To commemorate and celebrate 75 years of progressive India and the glorious history of its people, the Government of India initiated the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. The official journey of “Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav” commenced on 12th March, 2021 coinciding a 75 week countdown to the 75th anniversary of Independence on 15th August, 2023. Under the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, the Tripura State Pollution Control Board along with Tripura ENVIS Hub and National Green Corp has organized the following events in the year 2021 for the school students on various environmental issues with special emphasis on Single Use Plastic:

1. Online Quiz Competitions on the occasion of World Ozone Day and Swachhta Pakhwada
2. Online Essay Writing Competition on “ Ill effects of Single use plastic on Environment & Human health”

This apart, the Eco club schools of the State were invited to participate in a competition to show case their eco-friendly performances for the benefit of students and local community.

SI	Programmes	Groups in each category	No. of Winners in each group
1	Online Quiz Competition organised on 16th September 2021 on the occasion of World Ozone Day	Group A (Class VI to VIII)	3
		Group B(Class XI to XII)	4
2	Online Quiz Competition organised on 03 <sup>rd</sup> December 2021 on the occasion of Swachhta Pakhwada	Group A (Class VI to VIII)	3
		Group B(Class XI to XI)	3
3	Online Essay writing competition on “ Ill effects of Single use plastic on Environment & Human health”	Group I (Class VI to VIII)	3
		Group II (Class IX to X)	3
		Group III (Class XI to XII)	3
4	Best Eco Club Schools	-----	5 Eco club schools

To felicitate the winners of the competitive events, Tripura State Pollution Control Board organized a **“Prize Distribution Ceremony and Release of Book, Newsletter and a Video on SUP”** on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2022 at Hall No.1 Pragna Bhawan, Gorkhabasti. The said event was presided by Prof. B.K. Agarwala Chairman , TSPCB and graced by Dr. Ratan Saha, Dean, College of Fisheries, Lembucherra was present as the Chief Guest, Dr. Bishu Karmakar, Member Secretary, TSPCB and Smt. Aparajita Das, Asstt. Environmental Engineer, TSPCB were the Special Guests.

During the programme, the winners of different categories along with top 5 best Eco club schools were awarded with trophies and certificates of achievement by the dignitaries. Also, a book entitled **“Bioplastics: Alternative to Conventional Plastics in Tripura”** written by Prof. B.K. Agarwala, Chairman, TSPCB was released in the programme along with the Newsletter published by Tripura ENVIS Hub, December 2021.

In order to increase awareness among the people of the State, a video on plastic pollution was also released. The video presented the audio-visual accounts of hazards caused due to the use of SUP in our environment.

The programme came to a successful end by Vote of Thanks by Sri. Dipak Rudra Pal, Junior Scientist, TSPCB.

# Photographs of the Prize Distribution Ceremony and Release of Book and Newsletter.

