

10th Annual Conference on

# 'Wetlands for our Future: Sustainable Livelihoods'

Organized by

**Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal**

Under the Auspices of

**University of Mumbai**

In Association with

**Association of Teachers in Biological Sciences,**

**Mangroves Society of India,**

**B. N. Bandodkar College of Science,**

**SACON**

**31st Jan., 1st and 2nd February 2016**

## Theme

Wetlands are areas where water is the primary factor controlling the environment and associated plant and animal life. They occur where the water table is at or near the surface of the land, or where the land is permanently or temporarily covered by water. They come in many different guises, including streams, swamps, bogs, lakes, lagoons, estuaries, mudflats and flood plains. They provide habitat to millions of different species of plants and animals and are accordingly rich in biodiversity. They provide water and primary productivity upon which countless species of plants and animals depend for survival serving as the cradle for biodiversity. They have been influencing human culture and survival. Wetlands are among the world's most productive and vital ecosystems that provide livelihood for millions who live around them. However, over past few decades, wetlands have been heavily polluted mainly due to human activities leading to significant economic loss. Therefore, it is time to think as to how we should contribute to the conservation of the wetlands and prepare an effective action plan for the same.

## About Clean Creek Movement:

Paryavaran Dakshata Mandal initiated a "Clean Creek Movement", in 2005 with special focus on Thane Creek. The main objective of this movement is to generate awareness towards pressing wetland issues among the researchers, academicians, students as well as the local fishing communities. As a part of this Clean Creek Movement and to commemorate Ramsar Convention on Wetlands we have been organizing a oneday conference every year on World Wetlands Day since 2005 in hope to prevent further damage to the creek and to revive its natural flora and fauna.



**The subthemes selected for the conference are:**

- Are wetlands disappearing? (पाणथळी नाहिशी होत आहे का ?)
- Wetlands: Resources and Livelihood (उपजिविकांसाठी पाणथळी)
- Wetlands in Sustaining Biodiversity (जैवविविधतेसाठी पाणथळी)
- Conservation of Wetlands: Public Movements (पाणथळी संवर्धन: जनआंदोलने)

**Day 1: 31st January 2016**

**There would be three competitions as follows:**

**1. Oral Presentation:**

**Rules:**

1. Ideally one person or Group of max. 4 people can participate
2. The oral presentation may or may not involve audiovisuals and may or may not be based on primary data collected by the presenters (that is it need not be based on original research work)
3. Time Limit: 5 to 8 minutes
4. Slide number: Maximum 10

**2. Short film**

**Rules:**

1. It should be not less than 3 and not more than 7 minutes duration with a foreword/ comment by presenter of not more than 2 minutes.
2. It should be prepared within the framework of the themes of the conference independently by a person or by a group of not more than four persons but not screened elsewhere, qualifies for the entry.
3. Two hard copies of film, an undertaking with synopsis should be submitted to the organizers on or before 10th January in one single DVD.
4. Participants should bring their own copy on the day of the event for screening

**3. Street Play**

**Rules:**

1. In English / Hindi/ Marathi
2. A group of max.10 people can participate provided all register for the competition.
3. Time duration max.8 minutes

**Instruction for students:**

1. The last date of entry submission for each competition is 1st January
2. A write up should be prepared on oral presentation , street play and submitted on or before 10th of January with the undertaking
3. A write up or synopsis including the thoughts and message to be delivered through the film should be prepared and submitted on or before 10th of January with the undertaking.
4. Word Limit: 250 words for synopsis / write up

**Schedule:**

8:45 – 9:30	:	Registration
9:30 – 10:45	:	Inauguration
10:45 – 11:00	:	Tea Break
11: 00 – 1:30	:	Session I of all Competitions
1:30 – 2:30	:	Lunch Break
2:30 – 5:00	:	Session II of all Competitions
5:00 – 5:30	:	Thanking Note

**Venue for 31st January 2016**  
**Ramniranjan Jhunjhunwala College, Ghatkopar**

**Day 2: 1st February 2016**

Seminar on the above themes with a key-note speech and speeches by invited guests.

**Schedule:**

10:00 – 10:30	:	Registration
10:30 – 11:00	:	Presentation by Dr. R. P. Athalye on Clean Creek Movement
11:00 – 12:30	:	Pre - lunch session
12:30 – 1:00	:	Lunch
1:00 – 2:30	:	Post lunch session
2:30 - 3:00	:	Interview
3:00 – 4:00	:	Prize distribution and Valedictory function

**Venue:** Phirozshah Mehta Hall, Vidyanagari Campus of University of Mumbai, Kalina

**Day 3: 2nd February 2016**

Round table conference for 100 invitees - for preparing a 'White Paper' on conservation of wetlands.

**Schedule:**

10:00 - 10:30	:	Registration
10: 30 - 11:30	:	Welcome speech & felicitation
11:30 - 12:30	:	Speeches by contributors of white paper
12:30 – 1:30	:	Valedictory speech and summary of the event
1:00 onwards	:	Lunch and disperse

**Venue:** Convocation Hall, Rajabai Tower, University of Mumbai.

**Organizing Committee:**

Chairman	:	<b>Prof. Dr. Sanjay Deshmukh</b> , Honorable Vice-Chancellor, University of Mumbai
Convenors	:	<b>Dr. P. G. Kale</b> , General Secretary, ATBS and Vice-President, PDM <b>Dr. Prasad Karnik</b> , President, PDM <b>Dr. R. P. Athalye</b> , Vice- Principal, Bandodkar College and Vice-President, PDM
Organizing Secretary:		<b>Prof Vidyadhar Walavalkar</b> , Gen Secretary, PDM
Joint Secretary	:	<b>Dr. Pramod Salaskar</b> , PDM <b>Bhagyashree Grampurohit</b> , PDM <b>Prof. Babasaheb Bidve</b> , NSS Programme Co-ordinator
Treasurer	:	<b>Dr. Mansi Joshi</b> , Treasurer, PDM

**Note:**

1. Participants will get ID cards on 31st January. They should carry same ID cards for the next day also.
2. All the competitions will be running simultaneously on 31st January. Therefore, one student can't take part in more than one competition.
3. Undertaking should be submitted with the sign from every participant in the following format:  
*I solemnly declare that the presentation/short film/skit has been my/our original work and has not been presented anywhere in past. I permit the publication of the synopsis, prepared on the same, by me/us by the organizers. I give the rights of screening the film made by me/us at non-profit film festivals by the organizers.*

## Registration form

Registration form should be submitted with the following details on

Email ID: paryavaran.wwd@gmail.com

Event: Competition of Oral Presentation/ Short Film/ Street Play \_\_\_\_\_

Registered for: 31st January/ 1st February / both days

Name/s of the participant/s : \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation of the participant/s : \_\_\_\_\_

Email address : \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile : \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fees:**

100 Rs / Head from all participants for 31st January and 1st February

**Mode of Payment:**

Offline mode: You can pay registration fees by cash in Paryavran Dakshata Mandal office, Thane

**Address:**

4th Floor, Sharada Mandir, Marathi Granth Sangrahalaya Building, Gokhle road, Naupada , Thane (W)

022-25380648/ 9869033583

Email ID: paryavaran.wwd@gmail.com

Website: www.paryavaran.org

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