

EARTH DAY 2022, Department of Applied Geology

Earth day is celebrated each year on 22nd April to spread awareness about conserving earth and demonstrate support for environmental protection. Department of Applied Geology, Dibrugarh University celebrated Earth day on 22nd April, 2022 at Prof. S. K. Dutta Memorial Conference Hall of the department. The event started with the university anthem. Chief Guest Prof. L.K. Nath, Honourable Vice chancellor delivered a valuable speech requesting everyone present to become responsible for safeguarding the mother planet. He made an appeal to make little changes in everyone's behaviour each day to save environments. Department of Applied Geology initiates an attempt to make a video on the occasion of Earth Day to create awareness amongst the masses about environmental protection, the issues that the planet is facing and to preserve the only planet for future generations. Prof. Nath unveiled the video made by the Department and highly appreciated the humble effort of the department for making and unveiling the video as part of the awareness campaign where students of the departments have conveyed many messages. Dr. Diganta Bhuyan, Head of the Department shared few words on Earth Day and the theme of the year 2022 and extended warm



welcome greetings to the guests.

Prof. Kalpana Deka Kalita speaks about the history of Earth Day with a power point. This day is about raising awareness about the importance of protecting planet and tacking actions. The first Earth day held on April, 1970, now includes a one billion people and more than 193 countries. On January, 1969, more than three million gallons of oil spewed off the coast of Santa Barbara, California killing more than ten thousands seabirds, dolphins, seals and sea lions. This disaster made US senator Gaylord Nelson from Wisconsin to mobilize the activists and people to create environmental regulations, environmental education and Earth Day.



Speaking on the theme of Earth Day 2022 “Invest in our planet”, Prof. Kalita mentioned that the objective of the theme is focused on accelerating solutions to combat the world’s greatest threat that is climate change and to inspire everyone to do their part. The investment does not mean capital investment only. The investment must be through our efforts and knowledge.

Guest Speaker of the event Dr. Binita Pathak, Assistant Professor of the Department of Physics and the recipient of the prestigious SERB- Women Excellence Award 2022 presented by the Science and Engineering Research Board, India and the Associateship selected by the Indian Academy of Sciences (IASc) in 2020 delivered a very informative lecture on “Climate Change in Northeast India: Vulnerability and Adaptation”. Dr. Binita mentioned the important causes of climate vulnerability in NE India and adaptation processes. She tries to draw attention to the urgency of realizing the aims under SDG 13- Climate Action in order to protect the world. Faculties and students participated in the interactive session with Dr. Binita.



Deans of Faculties, teachers, research scholars and students from various department of Dibrugarh University attended the lecture of Dr. Binita. Mr. Nabadeep Sharma, a 2nd semester



student of M.Sc. Applied Geology proposed vote of thanks and Mr. Kaushik Mahanta, a 4th semester student of M. Sc Tech in Applied Geophysics anchored the event.