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# A report on World Wetlands Day celebration



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“Wetlands play a critical role in maintaining many natural cycles and supporting a wide range of biodiversity”

They purify and replenish our water and serve as a natural sponge against flooding and drought, protect our coastlines and help fight climate change.

World wetlands Day, celebrated annually on 2 February, aims to raise global awareness about the vital role of wetlands for people and the planet. This year’s theme was “**It’s Time for Wetlands Restoration**” which highlights the urgent need to prioritize wetland restoration. This day also marks the date of the adoption of the Convention on Wetlands on 2 February 1971, in the Iranian city of Ramsar.

There are 75 Ramsar sites in India. These wetlands are deemed to be of "international importance" under the Ramsar Convention. According To WWF-India, wetlands are one of the most threatened of all ecosystems in India. Loss of vegetation, salinization, excessive inundation, water pollution, invasive species, excessive development and road building, have all damaged the country’s wetlands. India has the largest network of Ramsar Sites in Asia, making these sites a critical ecological network for conservation of global biological diversity and supporting human well-being.

To create awareness about the importance of wetlands, the world wetlands was celebrated in Yuvaraja's college on 27<sup>th</sup> of February 2023 by installing artificial water bodies for birds, fishes, insects etc., in the college campus.



Prof channaveerappa.H, invited faculty of YCM, conveyed a special message on World Wetlands Day reminding the important role wetlands play in maintaining ecological balance and mitigating the effects of climate change and values of wetlands.



Fig: prof channaveerappa H delivering a speech on importance of wetlands day



  
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