

The Animals' Climate Panel: A TERI-Royal Norwegian Embassy Initiative

Executive summary

TERI in association with the Royal Norwegian Embassy, Delhi organized The Animals' Climate Panel, an exhibition for children and adults to understand the alarming problem of global warming and climate change in a simplistic way. Ms. Torill E. Grung is the brain behind this exhibition.

There were 44 paintings by 18 artists from Tanzania & Zanzibar, which were displayed at the exhibition. Polar Bear Doctor Climate and his messenger Bird tell about climate change, global warming and what needs to be done.

The exhibition aspires to channelize the energies of young minds to understand and pay attention to issues related to climate change. Through this exhibition opportunities were created to build their understanding and take their learning to their peers. The exhibition served as an open forum to facilitate informal discussions amongst various stakeholders.

A special session was also organized on 1st February 2013. Mr Arvinn Gadgil, Deputy Minister for International Development, Norway visited The Animals' Climate Panel exhibition, and motivated the children to not only view the exhibition, but also carefully understand the issues related to climate change and contribute towards betterment of the environment.

The exhibition was organized for children and also for teachers, parents, NGO practitioners, including the general public. Schools across NCR Delhi were invited for the exhibition. The participants of RCE (Regional Centre for Expertise) network, including members from Russia, Nigeria, Philippines, Bangladesh, Swaziland, Namibia, Thailand and Nigeria also visited the Exhibition.

The exhibition was organized from 28 January to 2 February, 2013 at New Delhi. The exhibition was attended by more than 4500 students from different schools in Delhi and NCR. Inter School quiz, and painting competitions were organized on the occasion to generate awareness among the participants. The winners were awarded with prizes and certificates.