

## Press release

# DEW Celebrated World Environment Day'2013

World Environment Day was observed by Development Wheel (DEW) at Mymensingh on 5 June, 2013, through various programs. The day's program included rally, discussion meeting, organizing painting competition and prize distribution, tree fair and distribution and cultural function etc.

Development Wheel (DEW) attended on the rally with Farmer Organization leaders under its Agricultural Rights Program-ARP. The rally was jointly organized by Mymensingh District Administration, Department of Environment, Mymensingh, and Mymensingh Corporation. The rally begins at 9.30 am in front of DC Office. Mr. Mustakim Billah Faruki, District Commissioner of Mymensingh started the rally. The rally was also attended by the government employees, social workers, journalists, students, and various non government organizations. The rally ended at Town Hall compound. "Think-Eat-Save" holding this title a discussion meeting was also held at Town Hall stage. Mr. Mustakim Billah Faruki was present as chief guest and distributed prizes among the winners. Mr. Moinul Hoque, Police Super, Mymensingh and Mr. Iqramul Hoque Titu, Mayor of Mymensingh Corporation were present as special guests. Dr. Shubhas Chandra Bissawas, ADC of Mymensingh presided over the function. Assistant Director of Department of Environment delivered the address of welcome. At the end of the discussion meeting the chief and special guests distributed tree plant among school students and the chief guest opened the "Environment Fair" for two days.



DEW celebrating world environment day'2013 with the farmers of Agricultural Rights Program (ARP)

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### **DEW Organized Training on Agricultural Rights of Farmers**

Development Wheel (DEW) organized a field based training session in the group of the farmers under its Agricultural Rights Program (ARP) supported by The Swallows India Bangladesh at Mymensingh Sadar and Gouripur Upazilla, Mymensingh on 01 to 15 June, 2013. The name of the training was “Training on Agricultural Rights of Farmers.”

The main objective of the training was to know the agricultural rights of farmer in order that they can attain their rights from the public and private service provider and strengthen as a strong farmer organization to get those rights. Mr. Shamsur Rahman, Upazilla Agriculture Officer (UAO), Mymensingh Sadar and Mr. Shahjahan Seraj, UAO, Gouripur Upazilla were present as trainer in the program and trained up the farmers. About 900 farmers in 30 groups where as 495 male and 405 female were participated in the training program. In these sessions the trainers discuss about agriculture policy and give the sense about their rights in agriculture. They also talked about how to produce and preserve seeds, benefit of soil testing and how to spread fertilizer on the land or given to plants and even the different types of diseases of plants and uses of pesticide. Rupa Sarker and Tanvir Ahamed, Field Facilitators of ARP project conducted the program and assisted the trainers to continue the training sessions.



**Mr. Shamsur Rahman, Upazilla Agriculture Officer (UAO), Mymensingh Sadar and Mr. Shahjahan Seraj, UAO, Gouripur Upazilla are addressing to the farmers on agricultural rights.**