## **World Wetlands Day Celebration in Mauritius**

## <u>2011</u>

Theme: Forest for water and wetlands

The World Wetlands Day was also celebrated in Goodlands State Secondary School in the small island developing state of Mauritius, Indian Ocean. The director of the school Mr **D.Doma** fully supported the project.

The project was supervised by our biology teacher, Mr **Kheswar Beeharry Panray**, who is also the chief executive of the **Environmental Protection & Conservation Organization** (EPCO).

Posters and C-D ROM obtained from Ramsar Convention were fully used and inspired the students (14-15 years) to prepare an exhibition, supported by their art teacher Ms Vylassa Seegoolam, on the importance and services of wetlands .The exhibition was displayed to other school children. Posters and essay writing competition were also organized for the occasion.

The film supported by Changwon City, Republic of Korea was projected for the occasion. Pupils *Harshid Madlani* and *Waseem Salamut* presented a PowerPoint to all the pupils before visiting the exhibition.

The project started of the 2<sup>nd</sup> February to mark the celebration of the World Wetlands Day and was extended for 3 weeks to allow the 650 pupils of the school to visit the exhibition

The organizing team offered a "finger lunch" prepared from wetlands products to all the 55 members of the staff.

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Organizing team

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