

Celebration of Rajiv Gandhi Akshay Urja Diwas on 20th August, 2011 at National Bal Bhawan, ITO, New Delhi

Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Management Centre, Department of Environment, Govt of Delhi, has organized 20th of August at National Bal Bhawan, ITO, New Delhi, the birth anniversary of late Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, as “Rajiv Gandhi Akshay Urja Diwas” (RGAUD) since 2004. Since then each year, this day is celebrated with rallies, human peace chains –runs, competition such as essay writing, painting, quiz, debates etc. organized by educational institutions across the country. Akshay Urja Diwas is an effort for creating awareness about the development of Renewable Energy in our country, informed the end users about the latest developments, sharing the views and experiences of all the stakeholders. Adequate financial assistance is provided by Ministry of New & Renewable Energy for the said event.

Our Guest of Honour was Hon’ble Chief Minister Smt. Shiela Dixit and Chief Guest was Hon’ble Minister for New and Renewable Energy, Govt. of India, Dr. Farooque Abdullah. The said event has inaugurated by them. Various competitions such as painting (for school & college level), slogan, and Posters competition by colleges were the part of Rajiv Gandhi Akshay Urja Diwas. Near about 250 school and college student were involved, these students were participated in various activities, poster competition, cultural activities, etc. school & colleges were very receptive and enthusiastic about the RGAUD Programme they showed interest in participation in events, as planned by EE&REM Centre. Sahitya Kala Parishad played a major role in this event as they prepared activities such as Choreography, Magic Show, and Puppet Show etc.

Exhibition with participation of Renewable Energy Manufacturers, NGOs/organizations who are working in Renewable Energy such as Solar Water Heater, SPV Module ,LED lights, Biogas model, Solar torch, REVA, Battery operated bike etc, has been invited to display their various Renewable Energy Systems/Devices. All participants were given refreshments on the occasion.

Guest of Honour and Chief Guest visited all stalls and appreciated efforts made by EE&REM Centre to make this event as a successful event. Theme for the competition was “Renewable Energy” to students of schools & colleges. Entries from 250 school and colleges were received for this competition. Total 50 best students were selected out of them 25 from different schools and 25 from different colleges. 50 best entries from schools and colleges were awarded with a voucher of worth Rs. 1000/- for school & Rs. 5000/- for Colleges as a token of appreciation.

Local and national print and electronic media were invited to cover the celebration.
