

## World Ocean Day-2024 celebrated at Nicobar KVK

निकोबार केविके में विश्व महासागर दिवस-2024 मनाया गया

**8th June, 2024, Nicobar:** The Krishi Vigyan Kendra Nicobar under the jurisdiction of ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata observed the World Ocean Day - 2024 in hybrid mode, aiming to raise awareness and foster scientific knowledge on the importance of healthy oceans for sustaining life on earth under the theme 'Awaken New Depths' today. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Guest Dr. Pradip Dey, Director of ICAR-ATARI, Kolkata, highlighted threats such as ocean acidification, warming, and plastic pollution that endanger marine life and food security, underscoring the critical need to conserve oceans as emphasized in Sustainable Development Goal 14 for sustaining life on Earth. Dr. Dey called for cherishing and nurturing the blue masterpiece, where waves whisper secrets and corals paint dreams. Earlier, in her welcome address, Dr. Santosh Kumar, Head, Nicobar KVK, elucidated the significance and backdrop of the day. Mr. Paul David, Captain, Perka village of Car Nicobar spoke about changing climate in Nicobar and how it is impacting farming. Cleaning activities were taken up near the coast. Planting materials were distributed to the participants. A total of 39 farmers participated in the program.



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