

WWD-2018- Report (Kolkata, India) March 30, 2018



Kolkata trash cleanup program at Annapurna Ghat on the banks of the Ganges River.

On March 30, 2018, Rivers of the World (ROW) team conducted the WWD 2018 riverside trash pick-up activity on the banks of the Ganga River at the Annapurna Mandir Ghat. The event was well participated and a great success.

Summary of the event –

- Participants – 7
- River bank - Ganges(Hooghly) River
- Items collected – Trash (poly bags, bottles, another wastes)
- Trash Volume/Weight – 10 bags/200 Kgs

A total of 7 volunteers including a student from the Annie Besant day school participated in the activity. Some more students were ready to join the team, but they had exam on that very day. The names of the participants are given beside the pictures below.

We collected polythene bags, empty bottles and non-biodegradable waste scattered on the ground.

To dispose the trash safely, we contacted the Priest of the Annapurna Mandir (Temple), who showed us

a few municipal garbage carts located in that area and we disposed about 200 kgs of waste that the team collected.

The focus of event was to clean up the trash and awareness about the importance of safe water, clean rivers and overall a healthy ecological condition. The message was well received by the local community, visitors to the temple, and the students. The event lasted for about five hours.

A few pictures from the event are added below





Standing from L– R : Rupu Bhattacharya, Moushumi Dutta, Prasenjit Das, Soham Saha, and Soptasetu Dutta



Participants cleaning up the trash form the area



Area after cleanup



Standing from L – R : Rupu Bhattacharya, Moushumi Dutta, Prasenjit Das, Soham Saha, and Sucharit Dutta (ROW Coordinator)