

World Water Day 2018 – Guwahati, Assam Umananda Temple (Brahmaputra River Island) Cleanup and Awareness



The Brahmaputra River team successfully completed an awareness program and trash pickup activity with great enthusiasm at the Umananda Temple.

The Map below shows the Umananda temple (Brahmaputra River Island) where the ROW team members went and conducted the program.



The volunteers of the Rivers of the World Foundation, Brahmaputra River, Guwahati, Assam, India organised this trash cleaning and awareness programme at the **Umananda Temple** on a small island of the Brahmaputra River near the Shukreswar Ghat area on the South side of the Brahmaputra River as it traverses through the Guwahati, Assam area.



The Summary of the program below –

- A total of 24 volunteers from different professions participated in the programme.
- The programme was organised on 24th March '2018.
- The volunteers cleaned the bank of the river and the access area to the temple, collected the trash and disposed them to the nearby garbage bin.
- The volunteers communicated with the pilgrims visiting the temple and the priests at the temple.
- They explained to the priests and pilgrims visiting the temple that the Samagris containing flowers and other biodegradable items can be composted and made into fertilizer, which can be used to grow vegetables and more flowers. This will make their offerings much more useful and better.
- The local community, priest and the visiting pilgrims seemed to have understood the message.
- The Brahmaputra River team coordinator and other members of the ROW Foundation plan to have a follow up visit there and pursue this effort.

Gautam Lahkar (with sunglasses in the picture above), ROW coordinator sent some of the pictures below from the event.





