World Environment Day 2021

The National REDD+ Office, Ministry of Climate Change in collaboration with Forest Services Academy Ghoragali and Pakistan Forest Institute Peshawar celebrated World Environment Day on 04 June 2021 under the theme of "Ecosystem Restoration". The participants included more than 70 Master and Bachelor forestry students from Pakistan Forest Institute and faculty members of PFI and Forest Services Academy Ghoragali.

The Director, Forest Services Academy Ghoragali, Mr. Iftikhural Hassan Farooqui welcomed the participants and highlighted historical contribution of forestry institutions towards human resource development for forest and wildlife conservation.

Speaking on the occasion, Ahmad Zamir, the Assistant Professor Pakistan Forest Institute threw light on the theme of WED 2021 – "Ecosystem Restoration" by highlighted the important relationship between ecosystems and humans.

Mr. Ghulam Qadir Shah, National REDD+ Coordinator briefed the participants about the concept, Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation (REDD+) and its significance for creating value of standing forests to incentivize the local communities, supporting in conservation and sustainable management of forestry resources. He highlighted technical aspects of REDD+ and REDD+ readiness the progress in Pakistan.

The speakers underscored Pakistan's active role in promoting green initiatives such as, 10 Billion Tree Tsunami Programme, KP-Billion Tree Afforestation Project and mangrove restoration which have supported in countering the climate crisis, protecting biological diversity and supporting ecosystem restoration.











