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**Department of Environmental Science, GDC Beerwah, and Range
Office Beerwah, J&K Forest Department Jointly Organises Chinar
Day, 2025**

Date of Event: 15-03-2025

Venue: Government Degree College, Beerwah

Chinar Day was celebrated on 15th March, 2025 with great enthusiasm and active participation by the students, faculty, and local community. The event was jointly organized by the Department of Environmental Science, Government Degree College (GDC) Beerwah, and the Jammu & Kashmir Forest Department (Range Office Beerwah). The college NSS and Eco-Club units provided active collaboration and support. The primary objective of this celebration was to raise awareness about the importance of the Chinar tree (*Platanus orientalis*) in the region, its environmental significance, and the need for its conservation.

The Chinar tree holds a special place in Kashmiri culture and the region's biodiversity. With its grandeur and historic significance, the Chinar is not just an iconic tree but also plays a vital role in the ecological balance of the region. The celebration of World Chinar Day was aimed at emphasizing the urgent need for preserving this vital tree species for future generations.

In her inaugural address principal of GDC Beerwah, Prof. Tabassum Lone emphasised on the protection and preservation of the Chinar tree which has assumed great cultural and environmental



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importance. Mr. Sofi Farhan Mearaj, Range Officer Beerwah, elaborated on the importance of the Chinar tree and the need for planting more and more saplings for our prosperity. Prof. Bashir Ahmad, HoD Water Management GDC Beerwah explained to the students the role played by trees in ecosystem function.

A tree plantation drive was organized in the vicinity of the college campus. Students, faculty members, and representatives from the Forest Department actively participated in planting Chinar saplings. This symbolic act was aimed at encouraging everyone to plant trees and take part in local conservation efforts.





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The success of this event would not have been possible without the support of the Department of Environmental Science, GDC Beerwah, the J&K Forest Department, The NSS unit of GDC Beerwah and all the participants and volunteers who contributed to the celebration. Special thanks to the speakers and students who actively participated in making this event a memorable and impactful one.

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