<u>A REPORT ON W.M.O.DAY (23RD MARCH 2017)</u> <u>CELEBRATION AT IMD, HYDERABAD Jointly organized by</u> <u>IMD and IMS Hyderabad Chapter</u>

The World Meteorological Day, an annual event, which is celebrated every year to commemorate its entry into force of the WMO convention, was as usual, celebrated this year also on 23rd of March focusing on an up-to-date theme "UNDERSTANDING CLOUDS" by this Meteorological Centre, in collaboration with Indian Meteorological Society, Hyderabad Chapter by keeping the office OPEN for the school students, teachers and public from 9.00 AM to 5.00 PM to create awareness about Meteorology and the various distinct and unique services being provided by the India Meteorological Department.

Vide publicity through available sources was given to general public, schools, organizations etc welcoming all to visit our premises to learn the importance of clouds for weather, climate and water. An exhibition was arranged at the first floor of Radar building displaying various meteorological instruments, balloons, charts etc. An awareness workshop was also organized in the conference hall of MC building for the students from 0900 hrs to 1300 hrs. An inspiring response could be witnessed for the workshop which was attended by nearly 200 students from various schools with a few faculty teachers. Retired IMD officials and IMS members were among the 100 people other than students and teachers who graced the function with their participation. The awareness program started around 0915 hrs in the seminar hall of MC building under the chairmanship of Shri. K. H. Rao, Chairman IMS chapter ,Hyderabad with an invocation and welcome address by Shri. Mohd Kasim.

The theme of WMO Day was introduced by Shri. K. H. Rao, Chairman, IMS Chapter in his introductory speech to the gathering. Shri.T. R. Pakki, Meteorologist of MC Hyderabad gave a power point presentation on "WEATHER ELEMENTS AND INSTRUMENTS" which was followed by another presentation by Dr. K. Naga Ratna, Scientist-D, on "WEATHER ANALYSIS AND FORECASTING". Shri. S. V. Rao, a retired Meteorologist screened a presentation on his experience during "ANTARTICA EXPEDITION" before tea break.

Dr. C. B. S Dutt, Deputy Director (Retired) Earth and Climate service area was the invited chief guest for the day who delivered a key note speech on "IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE", which concluded the post tea session.

All the participant Students and their associated teachers were taken to the open place near the Hydrogen gas filling shed to witness the demonstration on release of Pilot Balloon, and Radio Sonde Balloon and then were showed the Surface Observatory, Doppler Weather Radar and the Exhibition of Meteorological Instruments and Weather Charts, Posters etc.

The Chairman felicitated the chief guest and the senior IMS members for their memorable participation and valuable lecture and the program ended conveying vote of thanks to the invitees and guests followed by distribution of lunch packs to all participants.

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PHOTO GALLERY OF WMO DAY CELEBRATION

1. Invocation and welcome address by Mohd Kasim.



2. Introduction of WMO Theme by the Shri.K.H.Rao, Chairman IMS Chapter.



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Presentation by Mr. T.R.Pakki, Meteorologist-A on "Weather Elements and Instruments







4. Presentation by Shri.S.V.Rao, retired Meteorologist on his experience during "Antartica Expedition"



5. Presentation by the chief guest Dr. C.B.S Dutt, on "Impact of Climate change"



6. Demonstration on balloon launching to the students





7. <u>Visit to the Observatory by the Students</u>





8. <u>Visit to the Exhibition arranged at First floor of Radar Building</u>.





- 10. Felicitation to senior IMS members and the guest of honours.
 a) Mr.P.Prabhakar, Admin Officer felicitating the chief guest Dr. CBS Dutt



b) Dr. CBS Dutt felicitating Dr. Y.V.Rama Rao, Ex- IMD Director.



c) Felicitation to Dr. M.Satya Kumar, Retired Director, MC Hyd.



d) Felicitation to Shri. G.Sudhakar Rao, retired Director, MC Hyd.





f) Felicitation to Dr. Pandarinath, retired Director, IMD



Vote of Thanks By Shri.Muralikrishna, MC Hyderabad.



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