

## **Earth Day Celebrations on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2008**

Earth Day on 22nd April, 2008 was celebrated at the National and International level and CSKHPKV Palampur also organized function on the Earth day under the sponsorship of the Ministry of Earth Sciences, GOI, New Delhi. The function was organized jointly by the Centre for Geoinformatics Research & Training and Department of Agronomy CSKHPKV, in the Auditorium at 9.00 a.m. on 22nd April, 2008. This day also marks the birth day of Eddie Albert for his early work with environmental causes and groups. Gaylord Nelson a United States senator while responding to the environmental degradation called for an Earth day to be held on 22nd April, 1970. This day is celebrated to create the awareness on protecting the Planet Earth and safeguarding its resources. The celebration of Earth day assumed greater significance this time since the year 2008 was declared as "The international Year of Planet Earth". 144 school children from ten schools of Palampur and surrounding areas participated in the painting competition. The total prizes nine for students three ( First, Second and Third) from each age group were given by Hon'ble VC CSKHPKV, Palampur

### **THEME FOR PAINTING EVENT FOR THIS YEAR,2008**

**Age Group I- Planet Earth**

**Age Group II- Water Conservation**

**Age Group III- Global warming**

Three lectures for school students were arranged

- I) Dr. Kahan Bassi, Prof. & Head, Department of Agronomy, CSKHPAU, Palampur.  
Topic: **"More crop Per Drop"**
- II) Dr. Ranbir Singh Rana, Nodal officer AAS unit Palampur and Organizing Secretary Earth day Centre for Geo-Informatics Research and Training, CSKHPAU, Palampur.  
Topic: **"Global Warming: Causes and Effects and Indicators of Climate Change in H.P."**
- III) Dr. Sharda Singh, Prof., Centre for Geo-Informatics Research and Training CSKHPAU, Palampur.  
Topic: **"GIS Technology for Environment Management"**