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R E P O R T of EVENT

World Wetland Day 2026 by SU-Nature Club

On

5th June, 2026

ORGANIZED BY

IIC CELL SCET, ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Team

Faculty Coordinator	:	Dr. Naresh Butani & Ms. Tejal Surati
IIC Cell – SCET	:	Dr. Utpal Pandya, President, IIC-SCET Dr. Dhruti Sharma, Convener, IIC- SCET
Student Coordinators	:	NA

Details of Event

1. Basic Activity Information

Title of the Activity	Celebration of World Wetland Day 2026
Type of Activity	Field Visit/ Awareness Campaign
Club / Committee	Nature Club
Level	University
Organized By	SU Nature Club
Date(s)	5 th June 2026
Venue / Mode	Gavier Lake, Surat (offline)
Academic Year	2025-26
Target Audience	Students
Collaborating Units (if any)	Nature Club Surat & Forest Department
Prepared By	Club Mentors
Judges (if any)	-

2. Introduction / Background

World Wetlands Day is observed globally to mark the date of the adoption of the Convention on Wetlands. For 2026, the SU Nature Club organized a specialized field visit to Gavier Lake, Surat, an area recognized for its rich avian and aquatic biodiversity.

The Wetland provides critical habitats for a vast array of species including migratory birds, butterflies, and reptiles. However, these ecosystems face increasing threats from urban expansion and pollution.

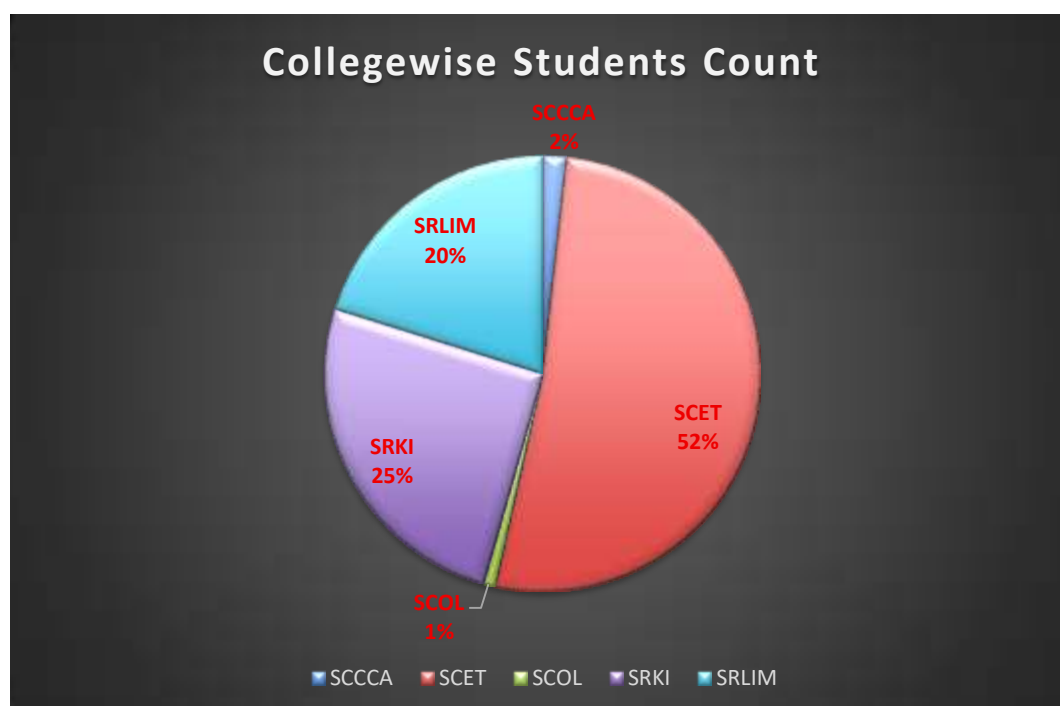
Relevance & Context: This activity was designed to move beyond classroom theory and provide students with a "living laboratory" experience. By collaborating with Nature Club Surat and the Surat Forest Department, the event provided participants with expert level insights into biodiversity conservation, direct observation and institutional responsibility.

3. Objectives of the Activity

- **Objective 1:** To create awareness regarding the ecological importance of wetlands in biodiversity conservation.
- **Objective 2:** To provide hands-on experience in identifying local flora and fauna, including avian and reptilian species.
- **Objective 3:** To foster a sense of environmental responsibility by interacting with Forest Department officials and conservation experts.

4. Participation Details

Total Participants	114 Students
Male Students	58
Female Students	56
Faculty / Staff	Dr. Naresh Butani (SRKI) Dr. Mayank Jain (SCET) Mr. Smit Bhathgara (SCET) Mr. Veer Pachchigar (SCET)
Institutes Participated	SCET, SRKI, SCCCA, SCOL, SRLIM
Club Secretary, Co-Ordinator, Manager and Members	Dev Chauhan (Secretary) Jai Mehta (Event Manager) Zarrin Amroliwala (PR) Ishrita Vekariya & Krishna Avaiya (Event Coordinators)
Anchors (if any)	-
Volunteers (if any)	Mr.Fenil Pandya
Special Attraction	President Nature Club Surat – Shri Snehal Patel & RFO – Forest Dept Surat Shri Rankuva have graced the event



5. Outcomes / Learning Outcomes

- Outcome 1: Participants successfully identified various migratory and resident bird species and understood their role in seed dispersal and pest control.
- Outcome 2: Increased awareness of sustainable waste management through the use of recycled materials in the thanking ceremony.

6. Achievements / Highlights / Ranking

- Successful collaboration with the Surat Forest Department.
- High engagement during the hands-on specimen identification session.
- Students learned about the importance of wetlands and their role in maintaining ecological balance.
- They understood the concept of wetland biodiversity and how wetlands support various living organisms.
- They observed different species of birds, insects, and aquatic animals in their natural habitat.
- Students explored the variety of flora such as aquatic plants, grasses, and trees around the wetland.
- They learned how wetlands help in water conservation and groundwater recharge.
- Students understood the role of wetlands in flood control and protecting the environment.
- They visited a Nature Photography Exhibition, where they saw beautiful photographs of wildlife and wetland ecosystems, which enhanced their understanding and appreciation of nature.
- They became aware of the importance of conserving wetlands and protecting wildlife.
- The visit helped them develop interest in nature and environmental protection.

7. Feedback and Impact

Participants expressed a high level of satisfaction with the practical nature of the tour. The interaction with Forest Department officers motivated several students to volunteer for future conservation drives. The celebration of World Wetlands Day served as a successful bridge between academic theory and environmental practice. By facilitating direct interaction with the Gavier Lake ecosystem, the SU Nature Club effectively highlighted the urgency of wetland preservation. The event concluded with a reinforced institutional commitment to sustainable coexistence, leaving participants better equipped to act as informed advocates for nature conservation.