

4th UTTARAKHAND YOUTH TALK

River and Human : A Sustainable Relation

Speaker : Mr. Ramankant Tyagi, Founder NEER Foundation

Speaker : Dr. (Prof.) Ram Karan Singh, Vice Chancellor,
The ICFAI University

Moderator : Mr. Parth Upadhyay, Mr. Gyanendra Tripathi

Venue : The ICFAI University,
Dehradun

Date : 25th July 2023

Brainstorming Uttarakhand Youth Talk event held on conservation and sustainable development of rivers-

A special event was organized on last Tuesday to discuss the sustainable relation of river and human and their conflicts. Raman Kant Tyagi, founder of NEER Foundation, known as River Man of India and Dr. Ram Karan Singh, Vice-Chancellor of The ICFAI University, Dehradun participated in this talk show as experts.

Several questions were asked to the experts present in the panel on the ongoing conflicts between rivers and human civilization. In the program, both the experts were questioned that Israel receives less rainfall than India, yet why there is no problem of drought and lack of drinking water in Israel, whereas in India, on the contrary, it receives rains heavily. In response to this question, Professor Ram Karan Singh, while explaining many scientific techniques of Israel, said that it has adopted various scientific techniques of



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irrigation and water conservation, which include techniques like sprinkle irrigation, drop irrigation and rain water conservation, while India has still a long way to go in this direction.

Meanwhile, Raman Kant Tyagi, who was present as the chief guest in the program, also mentioned about the revival of Neem river. Tyagi told, it was such a collective effort due to which the Neem river, which was extinct earlier in Hapur district of UP,

has started flowing again today due to public participation. Tyagi added that if the public takes this determination, then the rivers can be freed from both pollution and encroachment.

In fact, this joint program took place in the auditorium of The ICFAI University under the collective aegis of The ICFAI University, Dehradun and Free Smile Foundation, in which hundreds of university professors, students and other social workers registered their presence. Pertinent to mention that the Vice Chancellor of The ICFAI University has a lot of research and academic experience in the field of water management and has also done a lot of work in the field of water resources at the global level.

Dr. Singh also discussed many scientific aspects of rivers and water conservation. Meanwhile, Ritik Bhandari, a social activist present in the audience, mentioned the encroachment of rivers coming out of the forests in the hilly areas, to which Ramankant Tyagi replied that only the local panchayats and residents can provide a solution to this as they reside permanently in that area and they can take meaningful initiative to save the rivers.

Welcome address was delivered by dean of the ICFAI Law School, Prof. Dr. Tapan Kumar Chandola. The program was coordinated by Dr. Mrigankshi Wilson. Partha Upadhyay and Gyanendra Tripathi were present as coordinators. In the end, Ravi Tyagi, the founder of Free Smile Foundation expressed gratitude to everyone.

