## World Rivers Day 24 September 2024

On the occasion of World Rivers Day, a guest lecture was delivered by Prof. Naresh Kamal, Assistant Professor Department of Geography, JLN Govt. Degree College Haripur (Manali) on September 24, 2024. The lecture, attended by NCC Cadets, faculty, and invited guests, aimed to shed light on the significance of rivers, their role in sustaining ecosystems, and the need for urgent conservation efforts.

Prof. Kamal began his talk by emphasizing how rivers have been the lifeline of civilizations since ancient times. He discussed the historical, cultural, and economic importance of rivers across the world, citing examples such as the Nile, Ganges, Amazon, and Mississippi. Rivers, he explained, not only provide water for drinking, agriculture, and industry but also serve as critical ecosystems for a wide variety of flora and fauna.

Prof. Kamal illustrated the detrimental impact of industrial waste, plastic pollution, and chemical runoff on river ecosystems. He also raised concerns about the decreasing water levels in many major rivers due to global warming and unsustainable usage. The lecture provided invaluable insights and raised awareness about the challenges faced by rivers globally, inspiring the audience to take action towards their conservation. 45 Cadets attended the Guest Lecture. The event concluded with vote of thanks by CTO NCC of the college acknowledging Prof. Naresh Kamal for his insightful lecture.





