

IWM Participated in World Rivers Day 2022

Executive Director of Institute of Water Modelling (IWM), Md. Zahirul Haque Khan, participated in the **World River Day 2022** on 25 September 2022 Sunday at Dhadhar Char of Durgapur Union, Raniganj, Kapasia, Gazipur District, on a daylong program, special initiative of Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR). This year the theme of the day was **"The Waterways in Our Public Life"**.

World River Day is observed to raise awareness regarding water bodies and to promote their conservation. It is observed every year on the **Fourth Sunday of September**. This day highlights the values of rivers and strives to increase public awareness and encourages the improved supervision of river system around the world. The goal is to increase the involvement of waterways in the public life of the people of Bangladesh.



Mr. Kabir Bin Anwar, Senior Secretary of Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) and Chairperson of IWM Board of Trustees graced the occasion as Chief Guest. The program was chaired by **Mr. Fazlur Rashid**, Director General, Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB).



A number of River and Environmental Activists were invited in the occasion and they shared their experience regarding conservation of River and Nature. **Ms. Syeda Salma Jafreen**, Additional Secretary, MOWR, **Mr. Mizanur Rahman**, Additional Secretary, MOWR, **Md. Mahbur Rahman**, Additional Director General (Eastern Region), BWDB attended the event and shared their insights in light of **World River Day**. Senior officials of River Research Institute (RRI), WARPO, CEGIS, BWDB and IWM were also present along with relevant officials of Ministry of Water Resources. On this occasion, Nongor, National River Protection Committee, Isabella Foundation and other environmentalist organizations arranged rallies and participated in discussion meetings at the district level by the initiatives of the Ministry of Water Resources, Bangladesh.