

KMUTT PARTNERS WITH BMA TO ADVOCATE FOR PLASTIC WASTE REDUCTION ON WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY



King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT) collaborated with the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) and various environmental stakeholders, including government agencies, private sector, district offices, and local communities in Bangkok, to host an event in celebration of World Environment Day 2023. Themed "Do it yourself: Make Our World Beautiful with Our Hands: The Power of Small Actions for Our Planet", the event took place on Monday, June 5, 2023. Mr. Chatri Watthanached, the Deputy Secretary-General of Bangkok, presided over the opening ceremony.

Key figures from BMA, Environmental Office, and Bangkok Northern Area Group, as well as network partners, participated in tree planting and DIY upcycling product activities at Vachirabenjatas Park, Chatuchak District, Bangkok. This year, KMUTT showcased an exhibition titled "KMUTT Join to Beat Plastic Pollution", emphasizing the community's commitment to refraining from using single-use plastics. The exhibition also highlighted the university's initiatives to reduce plastic waste. Additionally, a workshop on crafting accessories from sea fan corals was led by Ms. Wilaiwan Prathumwong, one of the co-founders of SAFETist Farm, an eco-friendly learning center by the canal and a robust network ally of KMUTT.

Visitors were introduced to natural bio-cement innovations and a magnetic pigment mixed paint dome created by Asst. Prof. Dr. Thidarat Boonsri. Also featured was an eco-friendly compost bin innovation by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Surapong Chudej. The event aimed to raise awareness and instill a sense of responsibility to reduce plastic waste and preserve the environment. It also emphasized collaboration between government agencies, the private sector, communities, and the public in environmental conservation.

The activities align with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 2030, specifically:

- Goal 17: Strengthening partnerships and collaborations for future development.
- Goal 12: Ensuring sustainable production and consumption patterns.
- Goal 13: Taking action against climate change and its impacts.





