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School projects are continuing in six schools. A school in Durgapur is, unfortunately, not continuing in the programme due to lack of cooperation from the school authorities.

A Workshop on "Biodiversity of West Bengal – its status and challenges" was held in Durgapur on 8th January 2010 organized in collaboration with Forest Department, Government of West Bengal. In total, 200 students and teachers as well as government officials participated in the workshop.

A project-sharing workshop was held in Kolkata on 22nd April 2010 - Earth Day. It was attended by students and teachers of the core groups and two principals from five participating schools of Kolkata and Howrah, senior officials from the Department of Environment and West Bengal Biodiversity Board and NGOs. Among other activities, core groups gave a presentation of their project work followed by a discussion after each presentation.

The project evaluation is underway by a team of external evaluators.



Left: Diti Mookherjee addressing the participants at the Workshop in Durgapur. Right: Principal of Ananda Ashram Balika Vidyapeeth, Ms. Sharmishtha Bhattacharya addressing the participants at the Project Sharing Workshop in Kolkata.