

A day-long workshop
on
**Perceiving and Pursuing Environmental History:
Recent Trends and Trajectories**

Institute of Development Studies Kolkata organized a day-long workshop on ***Perceiving and Pursuing Environmental History: Recent Trends and Trajectories*** on 5th June 2015 i.e. World Environment Day at the Salt Lake Campus of the Institute exploring recent trends and trajectories of Indian environmental history. Faculty members, research scholars and students from the discipline of history and other disciplines interested in environmental history and studies participated in the programme. The speakers of the workshop included Shireen Moosvi, Suchandra Ghosh, Debraj Chakraborty, Sutapa Chatterjee Sarkar and Sabyasachi Chatterjee.

Shireen Moosvi, former Professor of Aligarh Muslim University traced the advent of Indian environmental history. Suchandra Ghosh and Debraj Chakraborty spoke on the methods to trace environmental history in ancient and medieval India. Sutapa Chatterjee Sarkar presented her detailed work on the presence of environmental history of Sunderbans, West Bengal in literature while Sabyasachi Chatterjee tried to trace environmental history in vernacular Bengali literature. Jenia Mukherjee, Assistant Professor, IDSK and Co-ordinator of the workshop in her concluding address stated that it was necessary to form an association for Indian environmental history. She also told that IDSK has plans to initiate such an association in future, first of its kind in India and this workshop was a primary step towards it.