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# Care for Our Common Home

## RNDM News

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide news of RNDM involvement in actions and activities related to our ministry of Caring for Our Common Home.

### Good news story from India North East



The Government of Assam, India, has taken a significant step towards reducing plastic waste by installing “Plastic Banks” in schools, colleges, and office premises. These Plastic Banks collect and recycle plastic waste, thereby promoting sustainability and environmental conservation.

In our province, INE, St. Agnes’ Higher Secondary School, Haflong, Dima Hasao, has implemented this innovative initiative. The school’s Plastic Bank encourages students to collect and deposit plastic waste in exchange for rewards based on the quantity they contribute. A dedicated Plastic Bank Team has been formed within the school to manage this effort.

Thanks to the hard work of the Sisters and the cooperation of teachers and students, the school received a “Certificate of Appreciation” from the Municipal Board for contributing

10 kilograms of plastic waste during the first round of collection. In the second round, they successfully collected 75 kilograms. Through their participation in the Plastic Bank initiative, students are developing

important values and skills, such as environmental stewardship, responsibility, community service, and Care for our Common Home.



Additionally, the Sisters, with the help of the school helpers, planted around 80 trees on the campus. These include fruit trees, crotons, and palm trees, further enhancing the school’s commitment to environmental sustainability.

