



Celebration of World AIDS Day by Sambalpur Municipal Corporation

World AIDS Day was first conceived in August 1987 by James W. Bunn and Thomas Netter, two public information officers for the Global Programme on AIDS at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland. World AIDS Day, designated on 1 December every year since 1988. It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to show support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness. It is an international day dedicated to raising awareness of the AIDS pandemic caused by the spread of HIV infection. Government and health officials, non-governmental organizations, and individuals around the world observe the day, often with education on AIDS prevention and control.

World AIDS Day is one of the eight official global public health campaigns marked by the World Health Organization (WHO). As of 2017, AIDS has killed between 28.9 million and 41.5 million people worldwide, and an estimated 36.7 million people are living with HIV, making it one of the most important global public health issues in recorded history. Thanks to recent improved access to antiretroviral treatment in many regions of the world, the death rate from AIDS epidemic has decreased since its peak in 2005 (1 million in 2016, compared to 1.9 million in 2005).

World AIDS day is observed at conference hall Sambalpur with truck association in the presence of Commissioner SMC , Adupho Dr Panchanan Naik , Dr Panda MO JPM , Dr Mahendra Nanda, media personnel, President and secretary of truck association, more than 200 truck drivers and truck owners attended the sensitisation meeting of HIV and AIDS .





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