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Towards green energy

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Chennai, June 17: Global Wind Day was observed here (on 15 June) with participants at an event pledging for clean and green energy.

A press note said that the participants included government officers, members of IWTMA, college and school children and they formed a human chain. The release said Vestas Wind Technology India Private Limited organised the event in collaboration with an NGO - 'Hands Across The Sand' to celebrate Global Wind Day to spread awareness on

global warming, climate change and rising sea levels.

S Gomathinayagam, Director General of National Institute of Wind Energy, said wind energy had great potential in India considering the ambitious target of 60 GW by 2022 and added that the country's cumulative wind power installation was 26 GW presently and there was a need to step up from 3 GW per year to atleast 5.5 GW per year installation capacity to achieve the target.

Also, contests for engineering college students and one for the public were announced.