

'Ethics in wildlife photography important'

Wildlife photographer Kalyan Varma was in city to inaugurate 9th KVIFF

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Navi Peth: Wildlife films and photographs help people realise the beauty of nature which helps in spreading awareness about the need to conserve it, said wildlife photographer and filmmaker Kalyan Varma on Friday.

Varma is in city to inaugurate the 9th Kirloskar Vasundhara International Film Festival at Balgandharva Rangmandir. KVIFF is an initiative of Kirloskar and Vasundhara Club and is being organised from January 16-23. The festival will be organised with PMC, Pugmarks, Go Wild, Lokayat and State Forest Department.

Varma said, "I believe people should conserve things that they love and hence it is important that people appreciate nature and wildlife to conserve it."

Wildlife films and photographs can showcase the beauty of nature and also project hard hitting facts as



to how human interference is harming the nature.

Speaking about the ethics of photography, Varma said, "Following ethics in wildlife photography is of utmost importance. Photos which disturb the wildlife or their habitat must be condemned. Also photographers should not overuse post processing technologies and misrepresent what they actually see,"

GRAND OPENING:

Filmmaker and photographer Kalyan Varma inaugurated the 9th Kirloskar Vasundhara International Film Festival at Balgandharva Rangmandir on Friday. Also seen (l-r) are festival director Virendra Chitray, Executive Chairman KOEL, Atul Kirloskar, convener Arti Kirloskar and mountaineer Umesh Zirpe.

EVENTS FOR JANUARY 17

- Photo walk with Kalyan Varma at Tata lake, Pimpri at 7am.
- Talk by Michael Mazgaonkar on renewable energy sources at 9 am at Abeda Law College Hall and on Environmental issues in small industries at CS Mahabale hall in SPPU at 2.30 pm.
- Film workshop by Kalyan Varma at Seamedu at 10 am
- Session by Priyadarshani Karve on 'Zero waste: Why and how?' at KPCL Hadapsar at 10 am.