

# Green Wave Environment Competition 2008

– ANOTHER YEAR OF RECORD PARTICIPATION

*"More than just popular buzzwords, climate change and environmental damage are pressing global concerns. The need to protect and conserve our delicate environment is urgent and I am heartened to see our students actively engaging in innovative projects and contributing to the green movement through the Green Wave Environment Competition. I applaud them for their initiative, passion and enthusiasm in making our planet a better place for future generations."*

*RAdm (NS) Lui Tuck Yew, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Information, Communications and the Arts*



▲ Memorable shot with our JCIITE Category winning team.



▲ RAdm (NS) Lui Tuck Yew viewing the students' exhibits with interest.



▲ From Left: Mr Wong Weng Sun, President & COO of Sembcorp Marine; RAdm (NS) Lui Tuck Yew, Senior Minister of State; Mr P K Ong, Managing Director of Sembawang Shipyard and Mr Gavin Kramer, Regional Director, Asia Pacific, BP Singapore Pte Ltd

On 19 January 2009, we successfully held the annual Green Wave Environmental Care Competition for schools 2008 award presentation ceremony at the Marina Mandarin Hotel, Singapore. Our Guest-of-Honour for this award ceremony was RAdm (NS) Lui Tuck Yew, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Information, Communications and the Arts. More than 350 guests and student participants attended the ceremony.

This is the sixth year of the competition and we are very encouraged by the continued support of our Alliance partners, Shell and BP Shipping, governmental and environmental bodies, environmentalists, tertiary institutions' professors and lecturers, school principals, teachers and environmentally-minded individuals. A total

of 260 entries were received with participation from close to 1,000 students in 2008, another year of strong participation from the schools.

During the ceremony, a total of 50 awards were presented by RAdm (NS) Lui Tuck Yew to the winning teams. For the first time in the competition since 2003, the Top Prize for the Junior College / ITE competition was awarded to a team from Hwa Chong Institution (College) for their innovative project entitled 'Project Greenamorphosis'. This award comes with S\$8,000 cash prize and a one-month development attachment for one team member with BP Shipping. The Top Prize is jointly sponsored by BP Shipping and Sembawang Shipyard Pte Ltd.

We are grateful to the panel of dedicated judges from the schools, BP Shipping, Housing Development Board of Singapore, Ministry of Education, National Environment Agency, NParks, National University of Singapore, National Institute of Education, Nanyang Technological University, Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Public Utilities Board, Singapore Environment Council, Singapore Polytechnic and Singapore Science Centre. Special appreciation goes to the Green Wave Advisory Board for their guidance and support.

RAdm (NS) Lui Tuck Yew said "The competition also challenges students to come up with creative, out-of-the-box solutions. It seeks to motivate students to experiment with ideas and technologies to develop new ways to protect the environment. This ties in well with what we are working towards in education, as we want to nurture young Singaporeans to look beyond their textbooks and use their innovative ideas and abundant energies to create a better society. Competitions like Green Wave provide them with an opportunity to identify real life problems, work in teams, undertake research and come up with practical solutions."

Dr Victor Savage, Chairman of Green Wave Advisory Board said during his speech "As a judge in one of the several competitive categories, I can assure our participants that all of us judges are encouraged by your youthful spirit, enthusiasm, passion and interests in Green issues. Your creativity in Green innovations speaks volumes for the future of Green solutions. It augurs well for all of us in Singapore and the global community given the many environmental challenges our world faces today. We must thank all



▲ *Launching of Green Wave 2009 poster.*

the efforts of principals, teachers, lecturers, mentors, technicians and students for their unstinting commitment in making this competition a success. On behalf of all the judges, let me say how grateful we are to Sembawang Shipyard for believing and sustaining their commitment to the Green cause in Singapore."

The Green Wave Environment Competition 2009 is now open for registration and all students and schools are invited to participate and share their ideas on environmental care and protection. Please visit [www.sembship.com/GreenWave](http://www.sembship.com/GreenWave) for more details.



▲ *1st prize winning team from Hwa Chong Institution (College).*



▲ *1st prize winning team from Raffles Institution.*



▲ *2nd prize winning team from Ngee Ann Polytechnic.*



▲ *1st prize winning team from St Hilda's Primary School.*