

IIT Bhubaneswar Conducts Massive Plantation Drive

The drive was conducted at primary schools across the Khudupur, Podapoda and Kansapada villages as part of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.

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Horticulture Department along with National Service Scheme (NSS) team, IIT Bhubaneswar under the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) conducted a plantation drive across all the primary schools of Khudupur, Podapoda, Kansapada villages in association with Youth Booth, a group of youth volunteers. Khudupur, Podapoda, Kansapada are among the three of the six villages adopted by IIT Bhubaneswar under UBA. The motive behind this campaign was to promote a greener ecosystem along with providing a pollution-free atmosphere to the residents and to recreate the lost greenery during the course of super-cyclone, Fani that had hit the state on 3rd May 2019. The saplings had been collected from the Forest Department, Government of Odisha by Youth Booth.

R.V. Raja Kumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar, said, *“We at IIT Bhubaneswar are committed towards building a sustainable ecosystem and aim to create a good sense of social responsibility towards our Mother Nature and eco-friendliness among the students through this initiative. Through such initiatives, we would also want to set an example through our students and motivate the residents and school children to contribute to the protection of the*

environment as active stakeholders, who would like to give back to our mother nature by contributing to a sustainable ecosystem."

"Such initiatives, I am sure would help in creating more awareness about the importance of growing trees to prevent global warming and thereby reducing pollution and also help in quickly restoring the enormous lots of greenery destroyed during the course of super cyclone Fani in the Southern Orissa Coast," he added.

The plantation of the trees was successfully carried out as per the planned schedule. A large no. of plant saplings of different size were planted during the plantation drive carried across the primary school belonging to the villages of Khudupur, Podapoda, and Kansapada,
