

## World Environment Day: IIT Bhubaneswar organises plantation drive

The plantation drive was held in adherence to COVID protocols

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Many saplings were planted during the drive. Image Source: IIT Bhubaneswar

The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar on June 5 organised a plantation drive on its campus to celebrate "World Environment Day".

Promoting green culture and a greener ecosystem, which would result in a pollution-free atmosphere, was the main aim of the drive. It was carried out in adherence to the safety and social distancing rules in view of COVID-19.

The drive was inaugurated by IIT Bhubaneswar director Prof. RV Raja Kumar. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Kumar said, "Organising such nature-oriented drives would create a good sense of social responsibility among our students towards mother nature. Such initiatives will help create more awareness about the importance of growing trees to prevent global warming and reduce pollution."

"At IIT Bhubaneswar, we're at the forefront of research pertaining to green technologies aimed at reducing the carbon footprint. On the occasion of World Environment Day, we pledge to give the next generation a healthier and cleaner environment, which will ensure a greener earth," he added.

The plantation drive was successfully carried out in keeping with the planned schedule. Many saplings of different types and sizes were planted.

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