



Plantation drive carried out at IIT Bhubaneswar on the eve of World Environment Day

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NEW DELHI, JUNE 5: IIT Bhubaneswar on the eve of World Environment Day organized a plantation drive inside the campus. The drive aimed at campaigning for green culture and promoting a greener ecosystem along with providing a pollution-free atmosphere to the residents inside the campus. The drive was inaugurated by Prof R.V. Raja Kumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. R.V. Raja Kumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar, said “We at IIT Bhubaneswar are committed to building a green campus, we have achieved a fairly good amount of success in this endeavour, and the same will continue. We aim to create a good sense of social responsibility towards our Mother Nature and eco-friendliness among our students through this initiative. Through such initiatives, we would like to set an example to our students and particularly motivate the residents to contribute to the protection of the environment as active stakeholders, who would like to give back to Mother Nature by contributing to a sustainable ecosystem. The cycling culture adopted by students at our Institute is a glaring example of the wellness aspect and greener environment. This initiative, I am sure, would help in creating more awareness about the importance of growing trees to prevent global warming and thereby reducing pollution”.

Prof. R V Raja Kumar also said that Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change initiated a National Clean Air Programme with all IITs and IIT Bhubaneswar along with Odisha State Pollution Control Board is taking active participation in this initiative.

The plantation of the trees was successfully carried out as per the planned schedule. Many plant saplings of different types and large size were planted during the plantation drive. The plantation saw active participation from the Institute members, faculties, staff, their respective families and students.

Prof. V. R. Pedireddi, Dean-Student Affairs, Col (Dr) Subodh Kumar, Registrar, Dr M. Sabarimalai Manikandan, Pic (Horticulture) also participated in the drive. Through today’s event, the students and residents felt intimately connected with nature in their efforts of building a greener campus. The seeds of social and environmental responsibility sown at Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar is sure to bear fruit in the near future and go a long way.