

FOREST DEPARTMENT CELEBRATES VANOMAHOSTAVA WITH GREAT ZEAL

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Forest plays vital role in human life. Human comforts cannot be possible without forest. Hence it is very much important to grow and nurture forest for better future of mankind, stated Principal Secretary for Forest Shri. Ranbir Singh (IAS). He was speaking at a function organised to celebrate 68th Vanmahostava by Department of Forest in collaboration with Goa College of Home Science held in a campus of Goa College of Home Science in Campal, Panjim today.

Shri. Singh further stressed on need to conserve and maintain tree cover in Goa, as it contribute largely to enhance the landscape of this state which attributes to Goa as the best tourist destination.

Mayor of Corporation of City of Panjim Shri. Surendra Furtado in his address said that care and maintenance is required to grow the saplings into tree. Many a times on the pretext of celebrating Vanamahostava people plant saplings in large number but do not bother to take care of those saplings, as a result the saplings never turn into well grown trees. If we really want green cover around our vicinity than trees need to be maintained and grown with proper care, he added.

The formal function of Vanmahostav was marked with plantation of saplings in the campus of Goa College of Home Science by the dignitaries present on the occasion. This exercise involved the students of the Goa College of Home science and Dr. T.B. Cunha Higher Secondary School.

Besides this Mobile Van carrying Medicinal plants for public distribution in each taluka, was launched by the State Medicinal Plants Board. The Van was flagged off by Dr. Ranbir Singh in the presence of other dignitaries.

The State Medicinal plants Board will be distributing medicinal plants at a subsidised rates in every taluka. The seedling sale shall be from 10 am to 6 pm.

Goa Forest department will be carrying out tree plantation and awareness activities throughout the state during month of July in association with Civil society, NGOs, Corporate bodies and Educational institutes.

Incharge Principal Chief Conservator of Forest Shri. M.K.Shambu IFS and Principal of Goa College of Home Science Dr. Mahesh Pai spoke on the occasion. Principal of Dr. T.B. Cunha Higher Secondary Smt. Rashmi

Bandodkar was present for the function. Asst. Professor of Goa College of Home Science Smt. Varsha Naik compared the programme. Conservator of forest Dr. Anil kumar IFS proposed vote of thank.