



GREENING CHANDIGARH ACTION PLAN 2014-2015 Chandigarh Administration

CHAPTER-II **REVIEW OF GREENING CHANDIGARH ACTION PLAN** **2013-2014**

TARGETS, ACHIEVEMENTS & OTHER ACTIVITIES

Chandigarh Administration reiterates its commitment towards greener and cleaner Chandigarh. The hard work supplemented by sustained campaign and much needed technical inputs have yielded commendable results.

During the year 2013-14 Forest department have achieved more than 100% plantation targets. During the year 55,800 nos. of saplings, 3.0 lac no. of patch-sowing (seed sowing), 50,000 no. of stem cuttings of Arundo-donax (a Soil Binder Plant) were planted as per details given in Table-1.

It will not be out of place to mention that the institutions namely Forest Department, Municipal Corporation, Engineering Department, Punjab Agriculture

University- Chandigarh, NGO's, Resident Welfare Associations, Educational Institutions and above all, the strong will and far sightedness of the Administration contributed a lot towards the success of this programme. The contribution, dedication and genuine concern of the proud citizens of the 'City Beautiful' to make the city greener needs special mention. Encouraged by the previous year's results, the Forest Department in collaboration with Municipal Corporation and Engineering Department had chalked out a programme to continue the efforts with the renewed zeal during year 2013-14. An exhaustive and comprehensive plantation plan for the year 2013-14 was prepared.





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Achievement of Plantations raised during 2013-14(Table-1)

S.N.	Department/ Organization	No. of saplings		No. of stem cuttings of Arundo-donax & ipomea plants		No. of patch-sowing (seed sowing)	
		Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
A) 1.	Forest Department	52,000	55,800	50,000	50,000	3,00,000	3,00,000
2.	Municipal Corporation,	58,650	58,650	-	-	-	-
3.	Horticulture Division, Engineering Department	29,350	37,261	-	-	-	-
B) i)	Free distribution of saplings by Forest Department to Educational Institutions, Religious Institutions, NGO's etc	40,000	40,000	-	-	-	-
B) ii)	Distribution/ selling of saplings by Hort. Wing of Municipal Corpn. and Engg. Deptt.	25,000	30,392	-	-	-	-
	Total:	2,05,000	2,22,103	50,000	50,000	3,00,000	3,00,000



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Plantation and other Achievements during 2013-14:

Celebration of World Forestry Day:

The World Forestry day was celebrated on 21st March 2013 at Botanical Garden, Sarangpur-Chandigarh. H.E. the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh, Sh. Shiv Raj V Patil, was the Chief guest of the Occasion. On this day, The Chandigarh Energy Park was also Inaugurated by the chief guest. The Energy Park displays various non-conventional models of energy generation and thus gives a message of saving energy. Various stakeholders participated in this celebration.



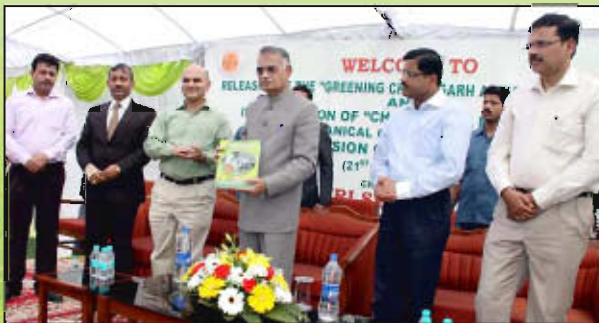
H.E. the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh, Sh. Shiv Raj V Patil, inaugurating the Energy Park at Botanical Garden, Sarangpur- Chandigarh on 21st March, 2013



H.E. the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh Sh. Shiv Raj V Patil, planting a 'Rudraksha' Sapling on World Forestry Day on 21st March, 2013

Celebration of Vanmahotsava 2013:

Vanmahotsava 2013 was celebrated in a befitting manner by all the Greening Agencies during the month of July-August. Department of Forests & Wildlife organized various plantation programmes/days to mark the event and to sensitize the masses for protection and conservation of trees.



H.E. the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh, Sh. Shiv Raj V Patil, releasing the Greening Chandigarh Action Plan 2013-14 on 21st March, 2013



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Following activities were organized by the Forest Department during Vanmahotsava 2013:-

1. Paudhmela: To sensitize the public for plantation on one hand & to provide them a common place to collect saplings of various trees, medicinal & herbal plants, a Paudhmela was organized by Department of Forests & Wildlife in collaboration with Horticulture wings of Engineering Department & Municipal Corporation during 19th to 21st July, 2013 at Parking area near Sukhna Lake Club. The Paudhmela was inaugurated by Sh. K.K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh. An overwhelming response was received from the citizens of Chandigarh & the Paudhmela became a successful event for the launch of Vanmahotsava 2013. A Ceremonial



Shri K. K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh distributing sapling to the citizens of Chandigarh on 19th July, 2013 during Paudhmela 2013 at Sukhna lake Club Parking.



Shri K. K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh planting a sapling of Jamun on the occasion of Vanmahotsava on 19th July, 2013 at Sukhna Reserve Forest, near Dariya Forest Nursery.

plantation of Vanmahotsava 2013 was organized in the Sukhna Choe Reserve Forest Area, near Dariya Forest Nursery. Worthy Adviser to the Administrator, UT Chandigarh was the Chief Guest of the occasion. Different stakeholders involved on this occasion were Forest Department, Municipal Corporation, School students, Other departments of Chandigarh Administration, NSS Volunteers, NGOs, RWAs, Media etc.

2. Eco-Club Day: To generate awareness among the school students, massive plantation drive was carried out by Forest Department in collaboration with the school Eco-Clubs. 'Eco Club Day' was celebrated on 23rd July, 2013 in Govt Model Senior Secondary School, Sec -46 D. Sh. K K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, was the Chief Guest. A sapling of *Dalchini* was planted by the Chief Guest. A 50 KWp Solar power Plant was also inaugurated by him on this occasion. The



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overall objective of celebrating the 'Eco Club Day' was to sensitize the masses especially school children for protection and conservation of flora & fauna and to increase the green cover of the Chandigarh. The Eco Club Day was celebrated all across Chandigarh, by all Eco clubs.



Shri K. K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh planting a sapling of Dalchini on the occasion of Eco Club Day on 23rd July, 2013 at GMSSS Sec-46 D.

3. Herbal Day: To sensitize the stakeholders about the importance of Medicinal and Herbal Plants in day to day life, Department of Forests

and wildlife celebrated 'Herbal Day' on 25th July, 2013 in Government Model Senior Secondary School, Sec.16D, Chandigarh. Sh.V.K.Singh, IAS, Finance Secretary, was the Chief Guest. On this occasion, he planted sapling of *Dalchini*. The overall objective of celebrating the 'Herbal Day' was to sensitize the masses to generate awareness about the medicinal values of various plants available in nature and to make Chandigarh more clean & green city.



Shri V K. Singh, IAS, Finance Secretary, UT Chandigarh during his visit to herbal garden, on the occasion of Herbal Day Celebration on 25th July at Govt. M.S.S.S, Sec-16 D.

4. NGO Day: A large number of Non-Governmental Organizations are registered with the Forest Department under Partnership Initiative Programme (PIP). All the registered NGOs were requested to take up plantation in their respective areas during the monsoon season. The saplings were distributed by the Department of Forests free of cost. Ceremonial function of NGO Day was organized on 26th July, 2013 at Govt. Model Senior Secondary School Sector 28D.



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Mrs. Ninette Vas Sharma W/o Sh K. K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, was the Chief Guest.



Mrs. Ninette Vas Sharma W/o Sh K. K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, planting a Neem Sapling on the occasion of NGO's Day at Government Model Sr.Sec. School, Sec. 28D on 26th July 2013

5. Resident Welfare Association (RWA) Day: To sensitize the RWAs, Department of Forests requested them to carry out plantation in their respective Sectors/Colonies. The ceremonial function was organized in collaboration with FOSWAC, on 28th July, 2013 at community center, Sector 7. Sh. V.K. Singh, IAS, Finance Secretary, was the chief guest on this occasion.

Wildlife week 2013

To spread the message of conserving our Natural Heritage, especially Wild Fauna and Flora, every year department of Forests and Wildlife, celebrates Wildlife week during first week of October Month. Wildlife week 2013 was celebrated by organizing a 'Walk for Wildlife Conservation' at the sukhna lake and a 'Nature and Wildlife Trek' in Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary on 2nd October, 2013. The

Chief Guest Shri KK Sharma, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh flagged off the Walk and the Trek. Approximately 600 people participated in these events. A one act play 'Bin Pani Sab Suna' based upon water conservation was enacted on this occasion and a Brochure on 'Trekking in Chandigarh' was also released by the Chief Guest



A walk for Wildlife Conservation organized on the occasion of Wildlife Week Celebration -2013 at Sukhna Lake on 2nd October, 2013.



Shri K. K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh flagging off the Nature & Wildlife Trek on 2nd October, 2013, during celebration of Wildlife Week 2013 in Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary.



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Shri K. K. Sharma, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT Chandigarh releasing the brochure on *Trekking in Chandigarh* on 2nd October, 2013, during celebration of Wildlife Week 2013 at Kansal Log Hut.



Participants of Nature & Wildlife Trek on the Trekking Route from Nepli to Kansal Log Hut Trek (7 km) on 2nd October, 2013, during celebration of Wildlife Week 2013.



One Act Play *Bin Pani Sab Suna* by Shuruat Samity, Karnal, on 2nd October, 2013, during celebration of Wildlife Week 2013 at Kansal Log Hut.