







CHAPTER-2

REVIEW OF GREENING CHANDIGARH ACTION PLAN 2016-17

TARGETS, ACHIEVEMENTS & OTHERS ACTIVITIES

Forest Department, UT, Administration of Chandigarh repeatedly & very beautifully committed towards greener and cleaner Chandigarh. The hard work supplemented by sustained campaign and much needed technical inputs have yielded commendable results.

During the year 2016-17, all the Greening Agencies have achieved their plantation target i.e. 220000 (No. of Saplings), 1,00,000 no. of stem cutting of Arundo-donax (a soil binder plant) and Ipomea and 3,00,000 number of Patch-sowing were planted as per

details given in Table-1.

It will be very appropriate to mention that the institutions namely Forest Department, Municipal Corporation, Engineering Department, Punjab Agriculture University-Chandigarh, NGOs, Resident Welfare Associations, Educational Institutions & farmers and above all, the strong will and farsightedness of the Administration contributed a lot towards the success of this programme. The contribution, dedications and genuine concern of the proud citizens of the 'City Beautiful' to make the city greener



"We need to be a team with one goal for clean & green Environment"









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 2016-17. The achievements are more than 100% as detailed below:

Achievement of Plantations raised during 2016-17 (Table-1)

S. N.	Department/ Organization		f 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	50000	75000	100000	100000	300000	300000
2.	Municipal Corporation,	40000	40964	-	-	-	_
3.	Horticulture Division, Engineering Department	20000	27980	-		-	
B) i)	Free distribution of saplings by Forest Department to Educational Institutions, Religious Institutions, NGO's etc	50000	50000				5
ii)	Distribution/ selling of saplings by Hort.Wing of Municipal Corpn	25000	30305	-	-		
iii)	Distribution/ selling of saplings by Engg. Department.	35000	30477	-			-
	Total:	220000	254726	100000	100000	300000	300000

[&]quot;Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm"









Plantation and Other Achievements during 2016-17:

WORLD EARTH DAY-2016

World Earth Day, 2016 was celebrated on 22nd April, 2016 by the Department of Forest & Wildlife, UT Chandigarh in which a Conference on "Environmental Education through Eco Clubs - let us think globally and act locally" was inaugurated by Shri Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, UT Chandigarh at Moti Ram Arya Senior Secondary School, Sector 27-A, Chandigarh to promote Eco

Club activities for educating and spreading awareness amongst the students on environment. It was organized by Department of Environment & Forests in collaboration with Youth Innovative Society (an Environmental NGO), Chandigarh.

On this occasion, the "Greening Chandigarh Action Plan 2016-17" was released by the Chief Guest.



Sh. Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator releasing the Greening Chandigarh Action Plan 2016-17 on 22nd April, 2016 at Moti Ram Arya Senior Secondary School, Sector 27-A, Chandigarh

"Earth is the only planet having favorable environment for life! So, save it."









On this occasion, the 'Best Eco-Club Award of UT Chandigarh' were announced by Department of Environment, Chandigarh Administration for 2015, and the prizes for

their commendable work in the field of Environment Conservation were distributed by the Chief Guest. The Prize winners were as follows:-

Position	Name of School/ Eco-club	Name of Eco-Club	Name of Principal	Name of Teacher Incharge
1 st	St. Stephen's School, Sector 45-B, Chandigarh	Nature's Glory	Principal Mr. Harold Carver	Mrs. Seema Gupta
2nd	Divya Public School, Sector 44-D, Chandigarh	Harit Dharaa	Principal Mr. Rajesh Kamal	Mrs. Geeta Swami
3rd	Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School, Sector -38(W) DMC, Chd	Shatavari	Principal Mr. Chitranjan Singh	Mr. Rakesh Dahiya
Consola -tion	Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School, Sector -33-D, Chd	Vasumati	Principal Mrs. Indra Beniwal	Ms. Anju Mahajan
Consola - tion	Carmel Convent School, Sector 9-B, Chandigarh	Go Green	Principal Sr. Maria Swati	Mrs. Ritu Yadav

On this occasion, the Website on 'Digitization of Forest Flora of Chandigarh' for the general public was also launched, through this website @ www.chandigarhforestflora.in, any general

person can identify a tree with the help of its 2-3 features like shape of leaves, color of flowers etc. besides, it lists out all major tree species found in Chandigarh along with its full taxonomy and other details.

[&]quot;For Life on earth - save our previous natural wealth"



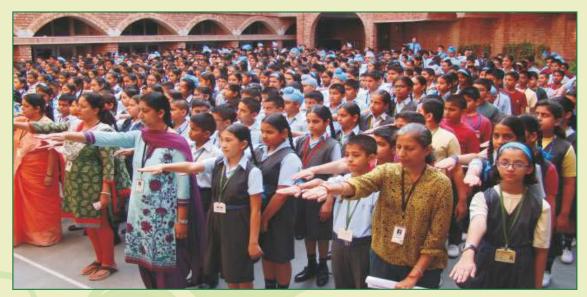






Among prominent persons attending the function were Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forest & Director Environment, Shri Birendra Choudhary, IFS, DCF(WL) and Ms. Arpana, IFS, DCF(BG&NR), Shri PJS Dadhwal, Additional Director (Environment) and other

senior officers of the Administration, Shri Sachin Sharma, Chairman, Youth Innovative Society. The function was attended by various Eco Club Incharges, School Principals & Teachers of Schools of Chandigarh.



Students and Teachers taking pledge during 'World Earth Day – 2016' on 22nd April, 2016 at Moti Ram Arya Senior Secondary School, Sector 21-A, Chandigarh

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY-2016

World Environment Day-2016 was celebrated to promote the message of green living and environmental conservation on 05th June 2016. To celebrate the World Environment Day in a befitting manner, the Forest & Wildlife Department in collaboration with YUVSATTA - an Environmental NGO organized an

Environment Awareness Bicycle Rally on the theme of 'Pedal for Good Health and Green Chandigarh' at Open Hand monument to Parade Ground in Sector 17, Chandigarh, which was flagged off by Ms. Arpana, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (Botanical Garden & Nature Reserve), Chandigarh Administration in which various students &









teachers of Schools, Colleges, Advocates and social activists participated in this bicycling event. Various NSS Volunteers of UT Chandigarh colleges and schools participated in this event.



Bicycle Rally started from Open Hand monument and culminated at Parade Ground in Sector 17, Chandigarh on 05th June, 2016



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Among other officials who were present during the celebration were Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director Environment, Smt. Arpana, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (Botanical Garden & Nature Reserve), Shri P.J.S. Dadhwal, Addl. Director Environment & Sh.Vikas Chatrath, Advocate of Punjab & Haryana High Court. The function was attended by 300 students of different Schools/Colleges & their Principals, Teachers and NSS Volunteers of local Colleges to promote the message of 'Pedal for Good Health and Green Chandigarh' among masses during this Bicycle Rally.

VANMAHOTSAVA-2016:

Vanmahotsava 2016 was celebrated from 8th July, 2016 to 20th July 2016, to create awareness among the local people, students, officers and employees of Chandigarh Administration about the importance of tree plantation and save Environment in a befitting manner by all the Greening Agencies. Department of Forests & Wildlife organized various plantation programmes to mark the event and to sensitize the masses for protection and conservation of trees.

Following activities were organized by the department during Vanmahotsava-2016:-



His Excellency, Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & Haryana & the Administrator, UT Chandigarh planting sapling of 'Lakshmi Taru' during Van Mahotsava on 14th July, 2016









Vanmahotsava: Van Mahotsav-2016 was celebrated on 14th July, 2016 in a befitting manner by involving various Greening agencies like NGOs, Resident Welfare Associations, Eco-Clubs besides Government agencies, Department of Forest & Wildlife, Chandigarh Administration at Govt. Home Science College, Sector 10-D, Chandigarh in which His Excellency, Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & Haryana & the Administrator, UT Chandigarh was the Chief Guest and planted a sapling of 'Lakshmi Taru' in the College Campus. Other Officers, Principal of the College and NGO Members also planted a sapling.

During the function, Sh. Parimal Rai, IAS, Advisor to the Administrator, UT Chandigarh, Sh. M.P. Singh, IAS, Principal

Secretary to Administrator, UT Chandigarh, Sh.Anurag Aggarwal, IAS, H.S.-cum-Secretary (Environment & Forests), Sh.Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director (S&T&RE), Shri Birendra Choudhary, IFS, DCF(HQ) & Ms.Arpana, IFS, DCF(BG&NR) and Dr.Sudha Katyal, Principal, Govt. Home Science College and other Senior Officers of the Administration and students of the college and Sh.Pramod Sharma, Coordinator, Environmental NGO - Yuvsatta, were also present.

• Paudha Mela: 'Paudhmela' was inaugurated by the Chief Guest - Sh. Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator on 08th July, 2016 at 1000 hrs at Parking Place near Sukhna Lake Club. The Paudh Mela continued from 8th July, 2016 and 9th July, 2016 (Timing: 0700 hrs to 1100 hrs & 1600 hrs





His Excellency, Prof. Kaptan Singh Solanki, Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & Haryana & the Administrator, UT Chandigarh presented 'Peace Prize' during Van Mahotsava on 14th July, 2016









to 1900 hrs) in front of Sukhna Lake Club. Three Stalls of Forest Department, Municipal Corporation, Horticulture wing of Engineering Department and Eco-Clubs and Two Stalls of Sarpagandha and Sohanjana Eco Club of different Government Schools were also

stationed there. Forest Department distributed saplings free of cost whereas other departments sold saplings at nominal rate depending on species. On this occasion, Chief Guest distributed few saplings to people present there.







Stalls of Forest & Wildlife Department, UT, Chandigarh, Engineering Department, UT, Chandigarh & Municipal Corporation, UT, Chandigarh on the occasion of Paudhamela on 08th July, 2016



Shri Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT, Chandigarh, inaugurated Paudha Mela-2016 on 08.07.2016 at Parking Place near Sukhna Lake Club, Chandigarh











On the occasion of Paudhmela 08.07.2016, school students explaining medicinal value of various plants to Chief Guest, Sh.Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to Administrator, UT, Chandigarh



Shri Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, UT, Chandigarh, distributing sapling during Paudha Mela on 08.07.2016

[&]quot;Keep planting trees for the better future"











Shri Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, UT, Chandigarh, planting sapling of 'Plumeria' during Paudha Mela on 08th July, 2016



Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, UT, Chandigarh, planting sapling of "Nili Gulmohar" during Paudha Mela on 08th July, 2016

"The best time to plant a tree was 20 year ago, the next best time is now"











Shri Birendra Choudhary, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (WL/HQ), UT Chandigarh planting sapling during Paudha Mela on 08th July, 2016



Shri Jitendra Yadav, IAS, Director Tourism, UT Chandigarh, planting sapling of "Hibiscus" during Paudha Mela on 08th July, 2016

[&]quot;Plant more trees, make environment pollution free"











Ms. Arpana, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (BG &NR), UT Chandigarh planting sapling of "Gulmohar" during Paudha Mela on 08th July,2016

Eco-Club Day:

To observe Van Mahotsav-2016 in a befitting manner by involving various Greening agencies like NGOs, Resident Welfare Associations, Eco-Clubs besides Government agencies, Department of Forest & Wildlife, Chandigarh Administration organized 'Eco Club Day' on 11th July, 2016, during which various schools planted saplings within their school premises. The ceremonial function was held at Govt. Model Sr.Sec. School, Sector 37-B, in which

Sh. Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director Environment & Science & Technology, UT Chandigarh was the Chief Guest.

During the function, Chief Guest inaugurated 'Green House' in the School campus of Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School, Sector 37-B, Chandigarh and planted the sapling of 'Lakshmi Taru'.











Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director Environment & S&T, UT Chandigarh inaugurated 'Green House' at Govt.Model, Sr.Sec.School, Sec.37-B, Chandigarh on 11th July, 2016



Chief Guest Sh.Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director Environment & S&T, UT Chandigarh planting sapling of 'Lakshmi Taru' at GMSSS, Sec-37B, Chandigarh on 11th July, 2016









During the function, Sh.Birendra Choudhary, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (HQ/WL), Smt.Arpana, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (BG&NR), Sh.P.J.S.Dadhwal, Addl. Director (Environment), Members of the Lions Club (Central), Chandigarh, Cluster groups and Eco Club Incharges of various Schools, Principal of the school and other Senior Officers of the Administration were present.

It was attended by more than 200 school students and NSS Cadets and representatives from NGOs and Resident Welfare Associations.

The overall objective of celebrating the 'Eco Club Day' is to sensitize the masses especially school children to generate awareness for protection and conservation of flora & fauna and to increase the green cover of the Chandigarh.



Sh. Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director Environment & S&T, UT Chandigarh distributing saplings during 'Eco-Club Day' at GMSSS, Sec-37B, Chandigarh on 11th July, 2016









NGO Day:

Forests & Wildlife Department, UT Chandigarh in collaboration with City-based NGO Youth Innovative Society organized a 'Tree Plantation Drive' on the occasion of celebration of NGO Day on 13th July, 2016 at CL Aggarwal DAV Model School, Sector 7-B, Chandigarh Shri Birendra Choudhary, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (HQ/WL), UT Chandigarh was the chief guest on this occasion.

During the function, Smt. Arpana, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (BG&NR),

Sh. Karan Singh, Range Forest Officer, Chandigarh and Smt. Bindu Sharma, Member, Resident Welfare Association and several volunteers of Youth Innovative Society were also present.

The overall objective of celebrating the 'NGO Day' is to sensitize the masses especially school children to generate awareness for protection and conservation of flora & fauna and to increase the green cover of the Chandigarh.



Sh.Birendra Choudhary, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (HQ/WL), UT Chandigarh planting sapling at CL Aggarwal DAV Model School, Sector 7-B, Chandigarh on 13th July, 2016

[&]quot;Connect with Worldwide wets of life"









Herbal Day:

To sensitize all the stakeholders the importance of Medicinal/Herbal Plants in day to day life, Department of Forests & Wildlife celebrated 'Herbal Day' on 20th July, 2016, during which ceremonial function was held at Govt. Model Sr. Sec. School, Sec. 47-D, Chandigarh. Shri Ajit Balaji Joshi, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, UT Chandigarh was the Chief Guest on this occasion.

During the function, Sh.Ajit Balaji Joshi, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, UT Chandigarh planted the sapling of 'Insulin' (Costus Igneus) and Sh. Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, UT Chandigarh planted the sapling of 'Safed Musli' (Chlorophytum borivilianum) at school premises, so distributed herbal plants among school children, teachers and staff.

The overall objective of celebrating the 'Herbal Day' is to sensitize the masses especially school children to generate awareness about the medicinal values of various plants available in nature and to make Chandigarh more clean & green city. The 'Herbal Day' is being celebrated across all Eco Clubs in various schools of Chandigarh.



Sh.Ajit Balaji Joshi, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, UT Chandigarh planted the sapling of 'Insulin' during 'Eco Club Day' on 20th July, 2016











Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, UT Chandigarh planted the sapling of 'Safed Musli' during 'Eco Club Day' on 20th July, 2016



Shri Ajit Balaji Joshi, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, UT Chandigarh distributed saplings during 'Eco Club Day' on 20th July, 2016









Resident Welfare Association (RWA) Day:

Department of Forests & Wildlife, Chandigarh Administration celebrated 'Resident Welfare Association (RWA) Day' on 18th July, 2016 at 1000 hrs.

The ceremonial function was arranged at Community Centre, Sector 35, Chandigarh in association with Federation of Sectors Welfare Association Chandigarh (FOSWAC). Shri Birendra Choudhary, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (HQ/WL), UT Chandigarh was the Chief Guest. On this occasion Chief Guest planted a sapling

of 'Hibiscus' in community centre campus and exhorted the residents to get part in greening programme to make Chandigarh more clean and green. FOSWAC members also planted the saplings.

The overall objective of celebrating the 'RWA Day' is to sensitize the masses especially residents to generate awareness for protection and conservation of flora & fauna and to increase the green cover of the Chandigarh.



Shri Birendra Choudhary, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (HQ/WL), UT Chandigarh planting sapling of 'Hibiscus' during 'RWA Day' on 18th July, 2016









'AKSHAY URJA DIVAS'

An Awareness Workshop on "Green Chandigarh-Solar Chandigarh" was organized on the occasion of 'Akshay Urja Divas' i.e. on 19th August, 2016, by CREST [Chandigarh Renewal Energy, Science & Technology Promotion Society] in collaboration with Yuvsatta-an NGO at

Community Centre, Sector 19B, Chandigarh, where representatives of FOSWAC, Resident Welfare Associations and representatives of Chandigarh Beopar Mandal were invited to sensitize and explain about the installation of Rooftop Solar Power Plants in Chandigarh.



Shri Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, UT Chandigarh as a Chief guest during the Workshop on "Green Chandigarh-Solar Chandigarh" organized on the occasion of 'Akshay Urja Divas' on 19th August, 2016, by CREST, UT Chandigarh

Before inaugurating the Workshop, Shri Parimal Rai, IAS, Worthy Adviser to the Administrator flagged off a Rally of around 100 school students from C.L. Aggarwal DAV Model School, Sec. 7B, Chandigarh creating awareness about 'Solar Chandigarh'. The prime aim behind the campaign is to motivate people towards the use of renewable energy resources like solar energy to control carbon emissions.

[&]quot;Solar energy - today's resource for brighter future"











Shri Parimal Rai, IAS, Worthy Adviser to the Administrator flagged off the Rally of around 100 school students from C.L. Aggarwal DAV Model School, Sec.7B, Chandigarh for creating awareness about 'Solar Chandigarh' on 19th August, 2016



Sh.Parimal Rai, IAS, Adviser to the Administrator, UT Chandigarh distributed Solar Power Award, 2016 during 'Akshay Urja Divas' on 19th August, 2016









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on 19th August, 2016. On this occasion, representatives of IDBI Bank were present who informed the people how to get loan under House building category for the Solar Power Plant.

WILDLIFE WEEK 2016

1. NATURE & WILDLIFE TREKKING:

The Wildlife Week, 2016 was kicked off by Department of Forests and Wildlife, UT, Chandigarh by the organization of "Nature and Wildlife Trek" on 2nd October, 2016 coinciding with the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi inside Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary. Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief

Conservator of Forests-cum-Chief Wildlife Warden was chief guest on the occasion.

The Nature and Wildlife Trek started from Nepli and culminated at Kansal Log Hut. The Wildlife Trek was approximately 7.5 Km in length and passing through three Hillocks reaching a maximum height of 1500 feet.



Registration of participants at Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary during Wildlife Week on 2nd October, 2016

[&]quot;The continued existence of Wildlife & Wilderness is important to the Quality of Life"



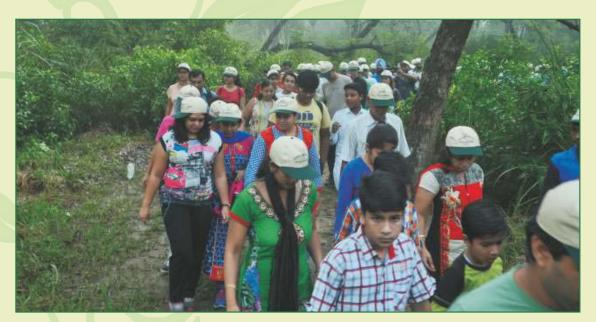








Flagged off by Ms. Arpana, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests (BG&NR) at Nepli of Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary during Wildlife Trek on 2nd October, 2016



Participants of Wildlife trek during Wildlife Week, 2016 at Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary on 2nd October, 2016

"The clearest way into the Universe is through a forest wilderness"









The participants were divided into groups of around 80-90 people. Each group was having one Forest Official and one Bird Watcher with binocular.

One play on promotion of Solar Energy

Theme was also played by M/s Rudra Theatre for people. Another skit on wildlife conservation was performed by Students of GMSSS, Sec. 18 under the direction of Ms Usha Garg, Teacher.



A skit on wildlife conservation was performed by Students of GMSSS, Sector 18, Chandigarh during Wildlife Week, 2016 at Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary on 2nd October, 2016



Participants of Wildlife trek during Wildlife Week, 2016 at Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary on 2nd October, 2016

[&]quot;There is no wi-fi in the forest, but you will find a better connection"











A drama played by M/s Rudra Theatre on promotion of Solar Energy during Wildlife Week, 2016 at Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary on 2nd October, 2016



Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, UT Chandigarh addressing the gathering during Wildlife Week, 2016 at Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary on 2nd October, 2016

"To walk in nature is to witness a thousand miracles"









On this occasion, Chief Guest informed that Department of Forests & Wildlife is conducting treks on regular basis on one of Saturday/Sunday of each month and the dates for this year calendar is already out and available on website of Department. Among prominent persons attending the trekking and concluding functions were Ms. Arpana, IFS, DCF and other senior officers of the Administration.

2. CYCLERALLY:

Department of Forests and Wildlife, UT Chandigarh in collaboration with NGO - Yuvsatta, Chandigarh organized a "Bicycle Rally on Save Forest, Save Wildlife" on 1st October, 2016 in Reserved Forest area behind Sukhna Lake started at Smriti Van which was flagged off by Sh. Santosh Kumar,

IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director Environment, UT Chandigarh at 0800 hrs. Around 200 participants of NSS units of UT Chandigarh and Schools participated in this event. The aim of this Bicycle Rally was to spread the message of 'Save Forest, Save Wildlife' among various stakeholders of the society and to promote cycling in the City.

Among prominent persons attending the Bicycling event were Ms. Arpana, IFS, Deputy Conservator of Forests, (BG & NR), Sh. P.J.S. Dadhwal, Addl. Director Environment, Sh. Pramod Sharma, Coordinator, Yuvsatta - an Environmental NGO and other senior officers of the Administration. The function was attended by various Teachers, Students, NSS Volunteers and residents of Chandigarh.



Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, Chief Conservator of Forests, U.T. Chandigarh flagged off Cycle Rally on the eve of Wildlife Week-2016 on 01st October, 2016

[&]quot;Pollution is an enemy to a healthy environment"









BIRD WATCHING CAMPAIGN IN SUKHNA LAKE:

At regulatory end of Sukhna Lake, Bird watching camp was organized on 14th December, 2016. Department of Forests &

Wildlife, Chandigarh Administration along with Yuvsatta-an NGO launched a week long 'Migratory Bird Watching Trip' for local



Migratory birds at Regulatory End of Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh.



Sh.Anurag Aggarwal, Home Secretary cum Secretary, Environment & Forests of Chandigarh Administration watching birds at Sukhna Lake

"Save migratory birds, they are ambassadors of Biodivresity"









School students. Sh. Anurag Aggarwal, Home Secretary cum Secretary, Environment & Forests of Chandigarh Administration was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

On that day one 100 students of Government Model High School, Sector 34-C & Government Middle School, Sector 33-B, Chandigarh enjoyed the bird watching. Prominent amongst those who were present on the occasion were Sh. Santosh Kumar, Chief Conservator of Forests & Director, Department of Environment, Sh. Birendra Choudhary, Dy. Conservator of Forests, Chandigarh Administration & Pramod Sharma, Coordinator, Yuvsatta.



School Students of Government Model High School, Sector 34C & Government Middle School, Sector 33-B, Chandigarh U.T. Chandigarh watching Migratory birds at Regulatory End of Sukhna Lake, Chandigarh

[&]quot;Human beings are great in their own eyes, but are not much in the eyes of Nature"









RELEASE OF TABLE CALENDER-2017

Table Calendar-2017 prepared by Medicinal Plants Board, UT Chandigarh on the theme "Adoption of Yoga & Medicinal Plants for healthy living" was released by His Excellency Sh.V.P. Singh Badnore, Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & the Administrator, UT Chandigarh on 03rd January, 2017. On this occasion, he appreciated the efforts made by Medicinal Plants Board under the aegis of Forest & Wildlife Department, UT Chandigarh for taking steps for popularizing

Yoga simultaneously with the use of Medicinal Plants for healthy living.

Among prominent persons attending this event were Sh. Parimal Rai, IAS, Advisor to Administrator, Sh. Anurag Aggarwal, IAS, HS-cum-Secy (Forests), Sh. Santosh Kumar, IFS, CCF, Sh. Birendra Choudhary, IFS, DCF (WL/HQ) and Ms. Arpana, IFS, DCF (BG & NR) and other senior officers of the Administration.



His Excellency Sh.V.P. Singh Badnore, Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & the Administrator, UT Chandigarh released a Table Calendar prepared by Medicinal Plants Board, UT Chandigarh









TABLEAU ON REPUBLIC DAY:

Department of Forest & Wildlife, UT, migratory birds organized by department Chandigarh displayed a tableau on Republic Day at Parade Ground, Sector-17, Chandigarh, It has displayed about city forest, conservation of trees, watching of

to create awareness among local people about flora & fauna of Chandigarh and its conservation.



The tableau of Department of Forest & Wildlife, UT, Chandigarh on the Republic Day at Parade Ground, Sector 17, Chandigarh.



Senior Officers & front line staff of Forest Department on Republic Day at Parade Ground, Sector 17, Chandigarh











Sh.Karan Singh, Range Forest Officer, Chandigarh Range awarded for his exceptional services towards reclamation and conservation of forest land

WILDLIFE RESCUE AND REHABILITATION

Human-Wildlife Conflict has become one of the serious problems. Due to loss of Habitat, Habitat degradation, some of the wild animals i.e. Monkeys, Sambhar, Neelgai, Biju etc are coming out of forest area and invading in city area.

To manage this problem, Department of Forests & Wildlife has constituted a wildlife squad which consists of 4 teams and each team has 2 members. Each team has allotted

different sectors for regular patrolling and to attend the complaints received from local people. Our team has attended all the complaints received till date and rescued the wild animal to release them back into Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary and other Forest Areas. No. of complaint received, attended & animal rescued & released till February, 2017, are as follows:-









Sr.No.	Name of Animals	No. of Complaints received	Complaints Attended	No. of animals rescued & released back into SWL Sanctuary
1	Monkey	1151	1151	160
2	Snake	207	207	126
3	Sambhar Deer	20	20	15
4	Neelgai	29	29	14
5	Others	114	114	65
Total		1521	1521	380



Rescue Team of Forest & Wildlife Department, UT, Chandigarh









VISIT OF OFFICIALS AT SUKHNA WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

His Excellency Shri V. P. Singh Badnore, the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh visited to Sukhna Wildlife Sanctaury Area and Kansal Log Hut on 28th August, 2016. On this occasion, he also planted a sapling of "Lakshmi Taru" (Simarouba glauca). He was accompanied by Shri Parimal Rai, Adviser to Administrator, Shri M. P. Singh, Pr Secretary to Governor, Shri Anurag Aggarwal, Home Secretary cum Secretary (Forests & Environment), Shri Santosh Kumar, CCF and other senior officers of Forests Department.

He inspected few Silt Retention dams and trekking paths inside sanctuary. He was briefed about activities carried out by Forests & Wildlife Department inside the sanctuary area and also about Flora & Fauna of the sanctuary. He was also briefed about catchment area of Sukhna lake and Soil & Moisture conservation works carried out by Department.

He emphasized the need to promote this area as eco tourism destination and for sensitizing people for wildlife conservation. He directed that Trekking and other similar functions/activities should be conducted by Forests Department on regular basis so as to sensitize people. He informed that forests & wildlife Conservation is his priority area and Chandigarh administration should work hard to keep Chandigarh as a clean & Green city.



His Excellency Sh.V. P. Singh Badnore, the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh planting a sapling of "Lakshmi Taru" (Simarouba glauca) in Sukhna Wildlife Sanctuary











His Excellency Sh.V. P. Singh Badnore, the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh visiting few Silt Retention dams and trekking paths inside sanctuary



His Excellency Sh.V. P. Singh Badnore, the Governor of Punjab & Administrator, UT Chandigarh watching migratory birds at Lake Reserve Forest area

[&]quot;When people put the environment first, development will last"









SCHOOL NURSERY YOJANA

The Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF&CC), New Delhi has launched a scheme called "School Nursery Yojana" with aims to involve school students in raising plant nurseries to bring them closer to natural environment, help them understand the natural processes of germination and feel

the joy of watching sapling grow.

Under this scheme, total 10 numbers of schools created school nurseries in their campus with the help of Department of Forest & Wildlife, UT Chandigarh to create awareness and education among students and teachers about the process of plant growth.





School nurseries at schools of UT Chandigarh under the scheme of 'School Nursery Yojana'

NAGAR VAN UDYAN YOJANA

Nagar Van Udyan Yojana - "Ek Kadam Hariyali ki or" is anUrban Forestry Scheme launched by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC), New Delhi which aims at involving creating atleast one city forest in each city having Municipal Corporation/ Class I Cities for providing wholesome healthy living environment, and contribution to growth of smart, clean, green and healthy cities. Department of Forests & Wildlife, UT Chandigarh has created City Forest in Lake Reserve Forest Area. It spreads over an area of 100 hectare with following objectives:-

OBJECTIVES

- To create awareness on plants and biodiversity,
- To sensitize the visitors & tourist towards the conservation of natural resources.
- To provide Conservation education on important flora and fauna of the Chandigarh region.
- To provide green lungs i.e. clean air, noise reduction, water harvesting and reduction of city temperature.
- To conduct Forestry related research associated with the management.

"Cutting a tree means killing a living being"









- To conserve aquatic flora and fauna.
- To provide the health benefit to the citizens.

FACILITIES

 Walkways / Jogging Trails / Nature Trails

- Shallow Water Bodies
- Visitor's Shed / Rainshelter
- Meditation Hut
- Exercise Instruments
- Children's Park
- Public Convenience



A view of Nagar Van Udyan site behind Sukhna Lake, UT Chandigarh



Dr.S.S.Negi, IFS, Director General of Forests & Special Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India visit to Nagar Van Site behind Sukhna Lake on 09th February, 2017

[&]quot;Love the nature!! If you don't, you have it humanity"