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OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER
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FOREST EXTENSION & PUBLICITY DIVISION
विजय बाग, पोर्ट ब्लेयर
VIJAY BAUGH, PORT Blair

Dated at Port Blair the, 05.07.2008

To

**National Informatics Centre
Andaman and Nicobar Islands
Port Blair**

Sub: - Celebration of 59th Vanamahotsava-Reg.

Sir,

As a part of 59th Vanamahotsava, an awareness rally was organized today by the Extension & Publicity Division, Vijay Baugh under Department of Environment & Forests. The rally was flag off by the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Shri Manoranjan Bhakta at 7.00 am from Van Sadan, Haddo. More than 500 students from different schools around Port Blair participated in the rally, besides Officers and Staffs from Department of Environment & Forests and Andaman & Nicobar Islands Forest & Plantation Development Corporation in large numbers.

The rally culminated at Kendriya Vidyalaya no. 1, where a warm welcome was extended to the chief Guest and the rally by the Scout & Guide troop of the school and Police Band Party. A ceremonial planting program also organized, where Shri Manoranjan Bhakta, Hon'ble M.P. Shri Khazan Singh, PCCF, Shri D.R. Meena, Principal Kendriya Vidyalaya and other officers planted saplings of fruit bearing trees in the premises of Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 1.

On this occasion a simple function was also organized where Shri R.D. Tiwari, Forest Ranger welcomed the chief guest and other distinguished guests

and students. On his brief address Shri M.R. Bhakta, emphasized the need of planting more and more trees. He also said that the forest should be utilised for the betterment of the society. He expressed his happiness over the enthusiasm showed by the children, by participating in the Vanamahotsava in spite of the inclement weather. He also thanked the Forest Officials for organizing such programme. In his address Shri Khazan Singh, IFS PCCF also addressed the gathering, in his brief address he spoke on the need of celebrating Vanamahotsava and the importance of forests for the clean environment and fresh air.

In his brief address, Shri D, R. Meena, Principal Kendriya Vidyalaya No – I, appealed everybody to plant atleast one tree in a year and to care them until they grow big. He also assured that the saplings planted on this occasion will be cared and protected.

At the end Shri Thomas Varghese, ACF offered vote of thanks to the Hon'ble Chief Guest and others.

In connection with the celebration few photographs (in soft copy) are sent herewith. Kindly arrange to publish the above mentioned news item in the National News Papers and media for wide publicity.

Yours faithfully

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