



**NITTE**  
(Deemed to be University)

**K S HEGDE  
MEDICAL ACADEMY**



## **REPORT OF VANAMAHOTSAVA PROGRAMME**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY MEDICINE**

**2024-2025**

As a part of World Environmental Day celebrations; NITTE University had an opportunity to participate in the National Students Paryavaran Competition (NSPC) supported by Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India & Ministry of Education, Government of India.

Students and interns from of K S Hegde Medical Academy (KSHEMA), A B Shetty Memorial Institute of Dental Sciences (ABSMIDS) along with university NSS organisation volunteers actively participated in the program.

This is the combined report of the program conducted in various health institutes of the university.

**RURAL MEDICAL and PSYCHIASTRIC HEALTH CENTRE,**  
**NITTE (20<sup>th</sup> June 2024)**

On June 20, 2024, a Vanamahotsava program was conducted at the Rural Medical and Psychiatric Centre in Nitte, where a total of seven plants were planted.

The event featured several distinguished guests, including Dr. Prof. Sathish Kumar Bhandary, Vice President (ISR & CRL) of Nitte University, Major (Dr) Raghavendra Huchchannavar, centre coordinator of KSHEMA, Prof. Dr. Audrey D'Cruz, Head of the Department of Public Health Dentistry at ABSMIDS, Dr. Prakash Kumar Shetty, AMO of NRMPC, Dr. Nivedha, Psychiatrist, Dr. Chethana, Dr. Subha Shree, and the staff from the health centre.

The program was coordinated by the Department of Community Medicine and the Medical officer of the health centre.



**VANMAHOTSAVA CELEBRATION AT IRA RURAL HEALTH  
AND TRAINING CENTRE**  
**(27th JUNE 2024)**

From the beginning, our culture has been centred on nature and we have a strong bond with nature especially trees. A celebration of forests, Vanamahotsava, is held to recognize the value of forests in our daily life and was celebrated at Ira Rural Health and Training Centre on 27th June 2024 between 10 am to 11:30 am.

The programme was organized by Community Medicine Department KSHEMA. Vice President Dr Satheesh Bhandary, Community Medicine HOD Dr Nanjesh, Medical Officer- Dr Amit and Dr Akhilesh, Yuvaka Mandala President- Mr. Jagadish Shetty, Panchayat President- Mr Ummar, staffs and interns of Ira attended the program.

As part of the celebration, saplings were planted in and around the Ira Rural Health and Training Centre followed by addressal by Vice President of KSHEMA Dr Satheesh Bhandary about the importance of this event and promoted the plantation of the saplings.



## **SADANANDA HEALTH CENTRE, SUBRAMANYA (5<sup>th</sup> July 2024)**

On July 5, 2023, a Vanamahotsava program was held at the Sadananda Health Centre in Subramanya, where a total of ten plants were planted.

The event featured several distinguished guests, including Sri Vidyaprasanna Thirtha Swamiji of Subramanya Matha, Dr. Prof. Sathish Kumar Bhandary, Vice President (ISR & CRL) of Nitte (D.U), Shashi Kumar, coordinator of NSS Nitte, Dr. (Major) Raghavendra Huchchannavar, coordinator of RHC; Dr. Audrey, HOD of Dentistry, forest officers Manoj and Prakash Agasyamuni, Harish Kamath, Prashanth Kodibailu, President of the Rotary Club Subramanya, Vedavathi Shivaram, president of the Inner Wheel Club, and Dr. Vikram Shetty, medical officer.

The program was coordinated by the Department of Community Medicine and the medical officer of the health centre. Herbal gardens were distributed to the guests, with plants, banners, and refreshments provided by the NSS unit of Nitte University.



## **RURAL HEALTH CENTRE, SASIHITHLU (10<sup>th</sup> July 2024)**

On July 10, 2024, a Vanamahotsava program was conducted at the Rural Health Centre in Sasihithlu, where a total of five plants were planted. The event saw the participation of several distinguished guests Dr. (Major) Raghavendra Huchchannavar, Coordinator of RHC, Dr. Preetham Shenoy, Medical Officer in Sasihithlu, Mr. Dayanand, old student president in Sasihithlu, Mr. Aravindh; Mr. Dilip, Mr. Raghunanda Karkera and Mr. Sathish Tingalaya.

The program was coordinated by the Department of Community Medicine and the medical officer of the health centre, with plants provided by the NSS unit of Nitte University.



## **RURAL HEALTH CENTRE, SHIRVA (12<sup>th</sup> July 2024)**

On July 12, 2024, a Vanamahotsava program was conducted at the Rural Health Centre (RHC) in Shirva. A total of five plants were planted during the event.

The activity involved several distinguished guests- Prof. Bhaskar Shetty, Administrative Officer of Vidyavardhaka Sangha Shirva, Dr. Audrey, Head of the Department of Dentistry; Dr. Sajna M. Shetty, Medical Officer of Shirva RHC, Dr. Niveditha Moorthy from Dentistry in Shirva; and other staff members actively participated in the program.

The program was coordinated by the Department of Community Medicine and the medical officer of the health centre, with plants provided by the NSS unit of Nitte University.

