

Report of Plantation Drive (Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam) in Senior Secondary Government School, Bichpuri



On August 17th, 2024, under the **Unnat Bharat Abhiyan initiative**, members of NIIT University's Sustainability Club, along with volunteers from the Social Action Course offered to final year iMBA students visited Senior Secondary Government School, Bichpuri to conduct a plantation drive titled “**Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam**”. During this visit, they engaged in a meaningful interaction with 70 school students, aiming to promote environmental awareness and enhance skill development among the school students, laying the foundation for upcoming initiatives.

Objectives:

The primary objectives of the plantation drive and the visit to the school were:

- Planting native trees like amla, jamun, and mehendi plants can help students be more environmentally friendly and conscious.
- Improving the skill development among students by enhancing facilities in the Skill Development Centre.
- Fostering the spirit of teamwork between the NIIT students and school students.

The day's events were filled with meaningful and hands- on activities:

The initiative kicked off with a plantation drive, where the focus was on planting amla, jamun, and mehendi plants. Volunteers of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan seized the opportunity to educate the school children about the benefits of these plants, highlighting their environmental and health significance. The plants were sponsored by an NGO - PrabhuG Sewa Mission Foundation, Neemrana.

Following the plantation activity, the team visited a Skill Development Centre at the school, funded through CSR initiatives by The Wipe Hotwire Private Limited Neemrana, and managed by NIIT University. This centre is dedicated to student skill development and is equipped with three sewing machines, a microscope, and various other small pieces of machinery. The visit concluded on a heartfelt note as the school students presented the NIIT University team with Raakhis, expressing their appreciation and hope for future visits. The children also showed enthusiasm for participating in the plantation drive and have taken the pledge to maintain the plants. 12 school teachers, school principal Mr Narendra Singh Yadav, NGO representative Mr Dharmal, Student Coordinators Smakshi Pati and Guni Sharma along with NU students Raajit Singh, Sumit Kumar Khadanga, Mansi Pattanaik and Tanvi Gupta also played a crucial role. The initiative was supported by Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, NIIT University, Faculty Coordinator Prof. (Dr.) Gurendra Nath Bhardwaj participated.

Photographs:

Promoting Environmental consciousness: a collaborative initiative by PrabhuG Sewa Mission Foundation and NIIT University's Sustainability Club, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan at Senior Secondary Government School, Bichpuri.



Group photograph of the team



Plantation by Faculty Coordinator with school children



Group photograph of the team



A student carefully waters the sapling he just planted, nurturing the beginning of a greener future during the plantation drive.



A collaborative effort by the teachers and students, as they worked together to plant saplings.



Young school students proudly display the saplings they are preparing to plant as part of the plantation drive.



A girl student holding the saplings with determination-filled eyes and ready to take a step towards a greener future.



Students are planting saplings and participating in the plantation drive with enthusiasm.

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