# Goa Forest News

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#### **VANAMAHOTSAV CELEBRATED AT RAJ BHAVAN**



Raj Bhavan, Goa and Forest Department, Goa jointly celebrated Vanmahotsava-2020 on 9/7/2020 11.30 am at Aushadhi Vatika, Raj Bhavan, Goa. Van Mahotsova is an annual tree planting festival celebrated to promote awareness about importance of planting trees and conserving forests. Honorable Governor of Goa, Shri. Satya Pal Malik graced the occasion and planted Moringa oleifera (Drumstick tree) during the celebration. Drumstick tree is an important medicinal/nutritional tree, the leaves, flowers & fruits are traditionally used in our country in day to day cooking. It is rich source of Calcium, Magnesium and Vitamins, with properties of anti-oxidant, and improves immunity.

Also present were, Chief Secretary, Shri. Parimal Rai IAS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Shri. Subhash Chandra IFS, Secretary to Governor, Shri. Rupesh Kumar Thakur, IAS along with other officers of Raj Bhavan and Forest Department.

Honorable Governor in his speech, stressed on the importance of living in harmony with nature, conserving forests and keeping the green cover intact. He further made an appeal to public, students to plant more trees and conserve it for future. Altogether 201 plants including medicinal and fruit bearing plants were planted during the celebration.

## **VANAMAHOTSAV CELEBRATED AT VAN BHAVAN**



The Chief Minister of Goa Dr. Pramod Sawant flagged off a vehicle for free distribution of sapplings for the general public going to each taluka at pre scheduled dates. Prior to that he planted a tree to formally launch the Vanamahotsava celebrations in the State.



## **VANAMAHOTSAV CELEBRATED THROUGHOUT GOA**

The executive staff of the Forest Department, Goa celebrated Vanmahotsava-2020 at various places in the State at the range level in association with local Panchayats, Schools and other Institutions. The festival was low key because of the pandemic and in order to cover up a large areas, several small programmes were led throughout the State.

## **NORTH GOA - COLLEM RANGE**







# **NORTH GOA - KERI RANGE**









# **NORTH GOA - PANAJI RANGE**







# **NORTH GOA - PONDA RANGE**







## **NORTH GOA - VALPOI RANGE**













# **RESEARCH - F.T.S. VALPOI**





# **RESEARCH - QUEPEM**





## **RESEARCH - PANAJI**







# **SOIL CONSERVATION - PONDA**



# **SOUTH GOA - CANACONA RANGE**









# **SOUTH GOA - CURDI RANGE**





# **SOUTH GOA - MOBILE SQUAD**





# **SOUTH GOA - PISSONEM RANGE**





# **SOUTH GOA - QUEPEM RANGE**





# **SOUTH GOA - SANGUEM RANGE**





# **WILDLIFE NORTH GOA - BONDLA**





# **WILDLIFE NORTH GOA - MADEI**









## **WILDLIFE SOUTH GOA - COTIGAO**





## **WILDLIFE SOUTH GOA - NETRAVALI**





#### **IVORY TRADERS HELD**



A joint Team of Goa & Karnataka Forests Department ,led by Mr Anand Jhadav, SDFO, with the assistance of Crime Branch of Goa Police carried out intensive search operation ,and within 36 hours of the Tip Off from Karnataka Forests Department, arrested three absconding Ivory smugglers yesterday.

Team Spirit ,Professional Knowledge ,mutual understanding & coordination combined with Right Action on Right Time has made the impossible possible.



## **KHAIR WOOD SEIZED WITH VEHICLE**

Staff of Keri range seized one vehicle involved in illegal transport of khair wood (Acacia catechu) at Parye.





#### **MEETING OF STATE MEDICINAL PLANT BOARD HELD**

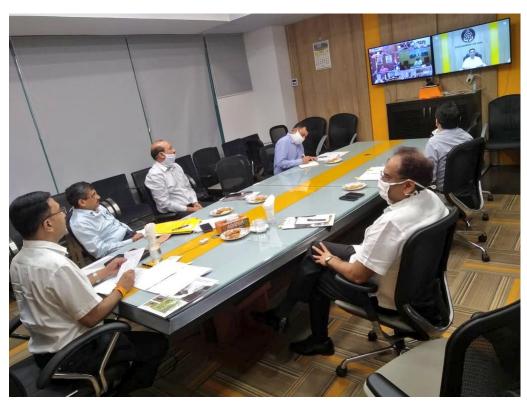


The meeting of the Goa State Medicinal Plant Board meeting held on 13th August 2020 at the Conference Hall, Paryatan Bhavan, Patto, Panaji, Goa chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa Dr. Pramod Sawant. The meeting was also attended by the Chief Secretary, Principal Secretary (Forests) and senior officers of the Goa Forest Department.

The Chief Minister presented the Vaidya Mitra Card to the traditional healers and Vaidyas who were invited on the occassion.



## **MEETING OF MINISTERS OF STATES**



The Hon'ble chief Minister of Goa Dr. Pramod Sawant joined the video conference of State Forest Ministers of all States chaired by Shri Prakash Javdekar, Union Minister of Forests and Environment to discuss new schemes related to protection and conservation of forests and wildlife.



## **FLIER ON SNAKES OF GOA RELEASED**





The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Shri Subhash Chandra IFS released a flier on Snakes of Goa on World Snake Day - July 16. The small program was attended by senior Officers of the Forest Department.

## **WEBINAR ON NCCF HELD**





The Webinar on NCCF was attended by all the executive Officers as well as senior Officers of the Goa Forest Department.

