

Forest Department, Govt. of Haryana

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To:

1. All APCCFs,
2. All CCFs,
3. All CFs,
4. All DCFs and DFOs,
Haryana.

Subject: Celebration of 72nd Van Mahotsava.

As you are aware that Van Mahotsav was started back in the year 1950 by K.M. Munshi, who, back then, was a Union Minister for Agriculture and Food. The main aim of this Mahotsav is to create enthusiasm and awareness amongst the masses towards tree planting and bio-diversity conservation. The State level Van Mahotsava is proposed to organized in the first or second week of July. The district level and sub-division Van Mahotsava will also be organised on the same day. All the functions will be link with State level function through zoom link or VC. These functions will be graced by the dignitaries and people's representatives of the area. Besides planting of saplings, awareness generation programmes, holding of eco-quiz and painting competitions for school students, flagging off Van Chetna yatra, organization of Nukkad Nataks and free distribution of seedlings to Gram Panchayats, School Students and general public under Jal Shakti, Paudhagiri and free supply scheme respectively. To make the Van Mahotsava a successful plantation campaign, all DFOs will ensure to make the following arrangements:-

1. Finalize the venue of State level and Sub- division level Van Mahotsava in consultation with respective Deputy Commissioner of the District or MLA of the area.
2. Make arrangement for linking district and sub-division functions with state level functions through Zoom or VC.
3. Consult and invite the local dignitaries to grace the functions.
4. District level online quiz and painting competition will be organized in advance. The winner students will be honoured at district level function.
5. The State level Eco-quiz and Painting competition will be organized by Publicity wing of Department.
6. A Van Chetna Yatra will be organised before the Van Mahotsava function which will visit all the districts covering sub-division level destinations. The concerned DFO of the district will facilitate the Yatra by providing all necessary arrangement. DFOs will ensure that Yatra must receive/ welcome and flag off by dignitaries of the area.
7. At least One lakh seedlings will be planted on the day of Van Mahotsava function in each district. DFOs will identified the site well in advance and

- will ensure the digging of pits/ earth work and arrangement of quality seedlings.
8. The Panchvati Plantation in each village will also be done with the help of Bio-diversity Management Committees (BMCs) on the day of Van Mahotsava celebration. All DFOs will contact the BMCs and will ensure the arrangement of Panchvati Plants for BMCs. The site selection for Panchvati plantation will be done in advance.
 9. The Government has decided to established at least one Oxy-Van in each district during the current plantation season. DFOs will identify the suitable lands in urban and rural areas for establishment of Oxy-Van.
 10. Minimum 25,000 seedling at sub-division level and 50,000 seedlings at District level functions will be distributed to general public. DFOs will ensure that quality seedlings of multipurpose tree species and medicinal plants like Giloe and Tulsi be distributed to the public.
 11. About 1000 saplings will be provided to each Gram Panchayat of the state under Jal Shakti Abhiyan during the current financial year. DFOs will identify the suitable lands in consultation with Sarpanch or Gram Sachiv of the concerned village.
 12. At least eleven Gram Panchayat will be invited in district and sub-division level functions to hand over plants under Jal Shakti Abhiyan. The DFOs will identify the Gram Panchayats and will make arrangement of plants with transport vehicle to deliver the plants to Gram Panchayat.
 13. DFOs will make sincere efforts to involve the volunteers, NGOs, Para Military Forces and other organizations in tree planting campaign.
 14. They will chalk out a detailed programme of plantation campaign for their respective district.
 15. DFOs will ensure to provide the information on prescribed Performa enclosed (Performa 1 to 3) with this letter latest by 25.06.2021 through mail to CF (Plg) and APCCF (B & P).

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
Haryana, Panchkula.

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A copy is forwarded to Principal Secretary to Government of Haryana, Forest and Wildlife Department with respect to discussion held on 22.06.2021.

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PROFORMA - 1
PLANTING OF PANCHVATI

DISTRICT:

S. No.	Name of Village	Name of site for Panchvati Plantation	Name of Facilitator BMC/ NGO etc.

PROFORMA - 2

ESTABLISHMENT OF OXY- VAN

DISTRICT:

S. No.	Name of Location	Rural or Urban	Total area available (in hac.)	Ownership of Land	Geo-coordinates of site

PROFORMA - 3

PLANTATION BY GRAM PANCHAYAT UNDER JAL SHAKTI ABHIYAN

DISTRICT:

S. No.	Name of Gram Panchayat	Site selected for JSA Plantation	Available area (in hac.)	No. of plants to be planted	Geo-coordinates of site