

FROM MINISTER TO OFFICIALS, MEDIA TO PEOPLE, EVERYONE PLANTS TOGETHER 75 SAPLINGS ON INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FORESTS AT NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK

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The theme of this year is “**Forest and sustainable production and consumption**”.



Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey emphasized that the celebration of this annual event would be successful when every person understands forest conservation and sustainable utilization of its products.

To promote plantation of species like Sandalwood, Rose wood, Agar wood and Red Sanders, a brochures highlighting Silvicultural practices were released during the event. This will be very helpful in growing these species.



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