

## Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad (MS) Reports for Extension/Outreach Activities Carried out in Year 2021

Name of Activity	Tree Plantation Drive
Date of Conduction	05-06-2021
Organized by	National Service Scheme
Student Participated	25
Brief Report	

On June 5, 2021, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University (BAMU) organized a tree plantation drive to commemorate World Environment Day. The primary goal of the initiative was to strengthen herb diversity within the university campus and promote environmental awareness among students, staff, and the local community. The event met with widespread approval and support from the local community, which regularly visits the campus for recreational activities such as walking and jogging. The pre-event preparations included planning and coordination, resource allocation, location selection, community outreach, volunteer recruitment, sapling procurement, site preparation, and educational and awareness activities.



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Glimpses from plantation event organized by NSS. The event was graced by the presence of Hon'ble Provice Chancellor, Registrar, Director, Student Development Section and Director, NSS

The event was inaugurated by the Vice-Chancellor of Dr. BAMU, who emphasized the importance of environmental conservation and the university's commitment to green initiatives. Tree planting activities included distribution of saplings, grouping participants, planting process, mulch application, and post-planting care. Environmental workshops were conducted on the importance of herbs and trees, their ecological benefits, and their role in traditional medicine. Community engagement was encouraged through feedback and interaction, and an awareness campaign was conducted to educate participants on the long-term benefits of tree planting and the importance of maintaining and nurturing green spaces. Monitoring and evaluation were conducted to assess the impact of the tree plantation drive and identify areas for improvement in future initiatives. An assessment was conducted to evaluate the success of the plantation drive in enhancing herb diversity and increasing green cover on the campus. Outcomes and impact of the tree plantation drive include enhanced herb diversity and green cover, improved campus environment, increased environmental awareness, behavioural change, and long-term benefits. Increased green spaces were added to previously arid areas, promoting biodiversity and ecological balance. The newly planted trees and herbs improved the aesthetic appeal of the campus, making it a more pleasant and attractive environment for students, staff, and visitors. Community involvement and support were high, with enthusiastic participation from local community members. The event received positive feedback, recognizing its positive impact on the campus environment and its contribution to the overall well-being of the university and surrounding areas. Logistical challenges included coordinately logistics, selecting drought-resistant herb and tree species, and regular watering and logistics, selecting drought-resistant was also facilitated by effective communication, outreach programs, and partnerships with local organizations. Future initiatives should

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focus on regular tree plantation drives to continue enhancing green spaces on campus and promoting environmental sustainability. Expanded community outreach should increase efforts to engage the community, including targeted outreach to vulnerable populations and at-risk groups. Collaboration with local environmental organizations can provide education support for tree planting and maintenance. In conclusion, the tree plantation drive at Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University (BAMU) demonstrated the importance of environmental conservation and sustainable practices. The event successfully added new green spaces to the campus, improved campus aesthetics, and fostered a sense of shared responsibility among residents and students. Future initiatives should focus on organizing regular tree plantation drives, expanding community outreach, and collaborating with environmental organizations to provide education support for tree planting and maintenance.



