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திண்டிமாவனம்

திண்டிமாவனம் அமைப்பினரால், நமது கல்லூரியில் சென்ற ஆண்டு உருவாக்கப்பட்ட தாவரவியல் பூங்காவில், சுமார் 121 வகையான 3600 மரங்கள் நடப்பட்டு பராமரிக்கப்பட்டு வருகின்றன. இது போன்ற தாவரவியல் பூங்கா, ஒரு அரசு மகளிர் கலைக்கல்லூரியில் நிறுவப்பட்டு பராமரிக்கப்பட்டு வருவது இதுவே முதல்முறை. முனைவர் மு.இராசாராம், உதவிப் பேராசிரியர், ஆங்கிலத்துறை அவர்கள் இதன் பொறுப்பாசிரியராக செயல்பட்டு வருகிறார்.



“Waterman of India” Dr. Rajendra Singh and Senior Scientist from BLOOM Energy Corporation Dr. Chock. Chockalingam visited the Botanical Garden and planted the saplings.



A New Miyawaki model plantation was done to mark the 71st Republic Day on 26.01.2020
 Dr.Vaidehi Vijayakumar, ViceChancellor, Mother Teresa Women’s University planted a sapling in the Botanical Garden on April 2, 2019



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Dr. Mangat Ram Sharma, Secretary, Higher Education Department visited the Botanical Garden and planted a sapling on July 10,2019



“World Forest Day” was celebrated in the Department of Botany on 21.03.2018





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An eyesome patch of greenery with 4,500 trees in Dindigul

At M.V. Muthiah Government Arts and Science College for Women

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DINDIGUL

Rows and rows of trees sway in the breeze, inside the campus of M.V. Muthiah Arts and Science College for Women in Dindigul, presenting a sight of pleasant greenery. A tanker with pipes fitted on either side go around, watering the trees.

Three years of effort by a voluntary organisation in creating a botanical garden inside the college campus has borne fruit. Philanthropist and industrialist members of Dindi-Ma Vanam planted over 4,500 trees of 130 species in 20 acres of land at the college in 2016 and today it's a small oasis of greenery in the town.

"More than 85% of the trees are native species, except for a few exotic species as we wanted to make it a botanical garden with a rich variety. This patch of land was barren and unused for a long time. Due to lack of water and the presence of porous rocks in three feet depth under the soil, the growth of the trees is slow. Yet, we ensure watering four times a week through tankers. The botanical garden is now used by students to learn and appreciate trees," said



A view of the garden developed at M.V. Muthiah Government Arts and Science College for Women in Dindigul. *G. KARTHIKEYAN

M. Rajaram, Assistant Professor of English.

The garden is replete with native trees like hill neem, banyan, Arjuna tree, Mahua tree, gooseberry, manoranjitham and mul seetha to trees of commercial value such as teak, rosewood, red sander, sandal wood and mahogany. There are also fruiting and flowering trees of different kinds.

Apart from this, the garden has two Miyawaki patches with over 150 trees in each of the patch.

"Miyawaki, the Japanese

technique of creating a rainforest ecosystem in a small piece of land, is often called an oxygen factory. The presence of a variety of plants inside a minimum space attracts insects, reptiles and birds. We dug a two-foot-deep pit, measuring 20 feet in length and 15 feet in breadth, filled it with biodegradable vegetable waste and let it compost for two months, after which the trees were planted. Trees planted in Miyawaki method have seen a better growth," explained

Rajaram.

Dindi-Ma-Vanam has planted over 1,30,000 trees across the district, including 10,000 trees within Dindigul city.

The organisation has created botanical gardens inside Government ITI on Natham Road with 2,500 trees and inside Armed Reserve Grounds with 1,500 trees.

It has also saved many old trees from seeing the axe during road widening works by transplanting them inside protected campuses.



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CAMPUS CONNECT

Seminar on English language

S.B.K. College, Aruppukottai, and Anna University, Chennai, jointly organised a national-level seminar on 'current methods and approaches in teaching English language' on July 4. T. Shrimathy Ventakalakshmi, Head of Department of English, and Kavithasingh, Teaching Fellow, Anna University, spoke on 'strategies to enhance reading and writing skills.' K. Sasirekha, assistant professor of English, MEPCO Schlenk Engineering College, Sivaksai, spoke on 'selection of video materials to enhance LSRW skills.' A. Meera, teaching fellow from Anna University spoke on 'integrating technology in ELT classrooms.' Totally, 180 students from various colleges participated in the seminar.

Inspection of college infrastructure

The Principal Secretary of Tamil Nadu Higher Education, Mangat Ram Sharma, visited M.V.M Government Arts and Science College, Dindigul, on July 6. He inspected the infrastructural facilities including laboratories in the college. He also planted a sapling during the occasion. He appreciated the principal and faculty members of



(Top) St. Antony's College of Arts and Sciences for Women, Thamarapadi, Dindigul, celebrated its 6th Convocation Day recently; (above) Principal Secretary of Tamil Nadu Higher Education Mangat Ram Sharma planting a sapling at M.V.M. Government Arts and Science College, Dindigul.

the college.

Convocation Day celebrated

St. Antony's College of Arts and Sciences for Women, Thamarapadi, Dindigul, celebrated the 6th convocation day on July 6. Principal, Rev. Dr. Mary Pramila Santhi declared the graduation day open. Vaidehi Vijaykumar, Vice-

Chancellor of Mother Teresa Women's University at Kodaikanal, was the chief guest of the event. "If you educate a man, you educate an individual, but if you educate a woman, the whole nation will be educated," said Ms. Vaidehi Vijayakumar. She distributed the convocation certificates to the graduates. Thirteen