

## UTTARAKHAND STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY



### REPORT OF ONE MONTH LONG AWARENESS DRIVE ON "IMPORTANCE OF TREES FOR SURVIVAL OF MANKIND"

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### "TREE PLANTATION AND ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION" ORGANIZED IN THE STATE OF UTTARAKHAND FROM 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE, 2023 TO 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY, 2023

Trees are indispensable for our life. Our existence without trees is unimaginable. Plantation is one of the essential tools to maintain the ecosystem of earth and nourish humanity as well as all other living beings. Trees provide oxygen, improve air quality, help in climate, conserve water, preserve soil and support wild life. Moreover, trees give us our life's essential items such as food, shelter and medicines.

Having considered this issue, Hon'ble the Executive Chairman, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority was of the view that plantation should be of utmost concern to us in this appalling situation of increasing deforestation and for this, dedicated awareness drive as well as other similar programmes are required to be carried out throughout the State of Uttarakhand.

In order to make implement the aforesaid drive at grass-root level, Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Uttarakhand State Legal Services Authority was pleased to approve to organize a one month long awareness drive as well as similar programmes based on **"Importance of Trees for Survival of Mankind"** & **"Tree Plantation and Environment Protection"** in the State of Uttarakhand w.e.f. 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2023 to 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2023.

To make this drive a success, certain activities were to be carried out by the District Legal Services Authorities during the aforesaid period. A glimpse look of such activities is hereunder:-

- (i) Organize Plantation Drive in Court campuses, DLSA's campuses, Schools, Colleges, Government Offices and other prominent places with the help of Forest Department/Horticulture Department.*
- (ii) During the Plantation Drive, apart from other plants, medicinal and fruit plants may also be planted.*
- (iii) Ensure proper care and regular watering of plants/trees.*
- (iv) Conduct legal literacy and awareness camps as well as other similar programmes relating to Protection of Environmental in Schools, Colleges and Universities and to encourage students to plant trees and make our earth green.*
- (v) Organize awareness Rally of school's children highlighting the importance of trees plantation and environment protection.*
- (vi) Organize Radio Talk Show or Nukkad Natak on spreading awareness on importance of Tree Plantation and Environment Protection.*
- (vii) Conduct Drawing/Slogan/Essay Competition especially on the subject of "**Importance of Trees for Survival of Mankind**" & "**Tree Plantation and Environment Protection**" in schools in coordination with the School Administration.*
- (viii) Print brochures/pamphlets highlighting the importance of Trees for survival of mankind and ensure its proper distribution to the general masses for the awareness purpose.*
- (ix) Ensure the active participation and coordination of all the stakeholders in this event.*

**(x)** *Ensure wider and adequate publicity of this Drive through Local T.V. Channel, Print & Electronic Media and Digital Platform. Proper media briefing may be ensured.*

In compliance of the aforementioned directions, a report was sought from all the District Legal Services Authorities with regard to number of plants planted, kind of plants and number of rural and urban areas covered during the aforesaid one month plantation drive. In this regard, a consolidated report on the basis of the information provided by the DLSAs is prepared, which is hereunder:-

<b>S.N.</b>	<b>Name of the District</b>	<b>Number of Plants planted</b>	<b>Kind of plants</b>	<b>Number of rural and urban areas covered (Village/Town areas, etc.)</b>
1.	Almora	1258 (Approx.)	1. <b>Fruit Plants</b> -Guava, Orange, Peach, Lemon, Pomegranate. 2. <b>Medicinal Plants</b> -Bay Leaf. 3. <b>Shade Trees</b> -Devdar, Baanj, Utish, Pahiya, Pipal. 4. <b>Other Plants</b> -Thuja.	1. Rural-84 2. Urban-15
2.	Bageshwar	About 950	1. <b>Fruit Plants</b> -Mango, Guava, Jamun, Papaya, Amla, Lemon. 2. <b>Medicinal Plants</b> -Neem, Curry Patta, Shatavri, Aloevera, Tulsi. 3. <b>Shade Trees</b> -Oak, Silver Oak, Jacaranda, Pipal.	1. Villages-51 2. Schools-45 3. Town-04 4. Urban-01
3.	Chamoli	101687	1. <b>Medicinal Plants</b> -11394 2. <b>Fruits Plants</b> -40771 3. <b>Shade Tree</b> -49522	1. Urban-15 2. Rural-530 (Total=545)
4.	Champawat	Approx. 450	1. <b>Fruits Plants</b> -175 2. <b>Medicinal Plants</b> -50 3. <b>Shade Tree</b> -50 4. <b>Flower Plants</b> -125 5. <b>Other</b> -50	1. Village-310 places 2. Town-140 places (Total=450)
5.	Dehradun	599977	Medicinal, Fruit, Shade Trees, Flower, etc.	1. Rural-596946 including Forest. 2. Urban-3031

6.	Haridwar	3055	1. <b>Fruits Plants</b> -1540 2. <b>Medicinal Plants</b> -1030 3. <b>Shade Trees &amp; Flowers Plants</b> -360	Approximately all areas covered.
7.	Nainital	9251	Medicinal, Fruit, Shade Trees, Flower, etc.	1. Rural-53 2. Urban-24
8.	Pauri Garhwal	23185	1. <b>Fruit Plants</b> -Mango, Litchi, Lemon, Orange, Malta, Pomegranate, Amla, Jackfruit Guava. 2. <b>Medicinal Plants.</b> 3. <b>Shade Trees.</b>	575
9.	Pithoragarh	1157	Fruit, Medicinal, Shade Trees, Flower, etc.	53
10.	Rudraprayag	13030	1. <b>Fruits Plants</b> -6000 2. <b>Medicinal Plants</b> -6000 3. <b>Flower Plants</b> -1030	1. Rural-80 (School) 2. Urban-05 (04 Nagar Panchayat & 01 Nagar Palika
11.	Tehri Garhwal	11400	Fruit, Medicinal, Shade Trees, Flower, etc.	1. Village-650 2. Town-11
12.	U.S. Nagar	1415	Fruit, Medicinal, Shade Trees, Flower, etc.	1. Rural-575 2. Urban-840
13.	Uttarkashi	72206 (Approx.)	Fruit, Medicinal, Shade Trees, Flower, etc.	1. Block-06 2. In all Urban Area.
<b>Grand Total = 839021 (Approx.)</b>				

Having gone through the District-wise reports mentioned in the above table, it is found that around **839021 plants including fruits, medicinal, shade trees, etc. planted during the period of aforesaid drive throughout the State of Uttarakhand** by covering approximately all areas which includes rural as well as urban.

In order to make this one month long awareness drive a grand success and in order to ensure the compliance of the directions issued by the Uttarakhand SLSA, various activities e.g. Awareness Camps, Rallies, Radio Show, Essay/Drawing/Slogan Competition, Nukkad Natak and Meeting on the theme of "**Importance of Trees for Survival of**

**“Mankind” & “Tree Plantation and Environment Protection”** were organized by the District Legal Services Authorities in association with the Para Legal Volunteers and other concerning stakeholders.

On the basis of the statistical information furnished by the District Legal Services Authorities, a consolidated report has been prepared depicting the number of Awareness Camps, Rallies, Radio Show, Essay/Drawing/Slogan Competition, Nukkad Natak and Meeting organized during the aforesaid one month plantation drive. The said consolidated report is hereunder:-

<b>Name of the District</b>	<b>No. of awareness camps organized</b>	<b>No. of Rallies organized</b>	<b>No. of Radio Show organized</b>	<b>No. of Essay/ Drawing/ Slogan Competition organized</b>	<b>No. of Nukkad Natak organized</b>	<b>No. of Meetings held</b>
Almora	88	03	01	04	03	03
Bageshwar	49	01	-	17	-	03
Chamoli	198	101 (PLV's)	-	08	07	10
Champawat	20	04	-	04	01	05
Dehradun	17	04	-	32	06	08
Haridwar	36	01	-	01	-	01
Nainital	36	04	-	05	-	06
Pauri Garhwal	30	15	28 (On Social Media Platform)	14	01	08
Pithoragarh	18	-	02 (Newspaper)	04	01	01
Rudraprayag	05	03	-	02	01	04
Tehri Garhwal	89	01	-	04	03	06
U.S. Nagar	39	04	01	10	-	04
Uttarkashi	21	02	-	02	-	07
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>66</b>

With the effective coordination and collaborative efforts of the Forest Department as well as Horticulture Department of the State and active and competent services rendered by all who are associated with the Legal Services Institutions, this Plantation-Cum-Awareness Drive could be able to attain its sole purpose.

As a result of this, we hope and believe that this complete devotional exercise made towards environment would certainly assist and maintain the ecosystem of our earth.

At the end, the aforesaid one month long awareness drive as well as similar programmes based on **“Importance of Trees for Survival of Mankind”** & **“Tree Plantation and Environment Protection”** organized in the State of Uttarakhand from 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2023 to 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2023 was proven a successful campaign and concluded with the following motto:--



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जीवन बचाओ

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