

Technical Report of Seminar on ‘Connect With Nature’ Organized to Commemorate World Environment Day on Saturday, 10th June 2017

To commemorate World Environment Day 2017, **SIES Indian Institute of Environment Management (SIES-IIEM) and SIES Central Training Department** jointly organised a seminar on 10th June 2017 theme “**Connect With Nature**”. About 65 participants registered in the event from different institutions of SIES, Pillai’s College, Panvel, Bhartiya Vidyapeeth College of Engineering, Kharghar and SNDT University. Dr. Devayani Savant, Deputy Director, SIES IIEM anchored the program.

The seminar was inaugurated with a plantation drive of fruit bearing plants in the campus by chief guest and members of institute. NSS Coordinators, students and faculty members from different institutions attended the half day seminar.

Dr. Seema Mishra, Director, SIES IIEM gave the welcome address and mentioned that it is responsibility of every citizen to take care of Mother Nature and the seminar aims to sensitize students, faculty and staff on eco- friendly lifestyle and to reconnect them with nature. She has also informed about the academic programs PG Diploma in Sustainable Environment Management and M. Sc. in Sustainable Development and Environment Management conducted by institute for working professionals and regular students, respectively.

Shri. S. V. Viswanathan, Jt. Hon. Secretary, SIES briefed about the history of environment day and also said it should be celebrated every day. He cited all the things which can be done at individual level by every citizen independently from plantation to kitchen gardening to taking care of nature and enjoying the gift of nature in best possible way.

On the auspicious occasion, SIES IIEM also released the book entitled, “Current Perspectives in Sustainable Environment Management” compendium of research articles and quarterly e-newsletter ‘The Environment Management’ Vol –III Issue – II.

Dr. Subhajt Mukherjee from Mission Green Mumbai, mentioned plantation is important and must be done by every individual. With his passion towards eco-friendly living, he initiated with Mission Green having a slogan of “Each One Teach One to Plant One”. With this idea he has been successful in planting trees in Western Suburbs of Mumbai and taking the initiative to other cities.

Ms. Pournima Shirgaonkar from Enviro Vigil, an NGO working with green consultancy, oriented towards how to manage different types of dry and wet waste and demonstrated composting at household level. She also shared her experience on kitchen gardening.

Mr. Satej Dhimar from Mumbai Waste Management Ltd. enlighten on management of hazardous waste and shared the initiative taken by the organization to educate all class of people in the society towards clean and green living.

Ms. Suma Nair proposed vote of thanks.

The seminar concluded with gratitude Start Today Save Tomorrow.....



Plantation by Dr. Subhajit Mukherjee,
Mission Green Mumbai



Participation in Plantation drive



Inauguration of Seminar



Book release



Participants in the seminar



Presentation cum demonstration on Magic Bucket
for composting at household level



Presentation on the management of
domestic hazardous waste



Participants with guests in the seminar