

World Environment Day 2020



UNIT HEAD'S MESSAGE..



World Environment Day (WED) is celebrated every year on 5 June. It is organised by 'United Nations' every year for encouraging awareness and action to protect our environment. First organized in 1974, it has been a major campaign for environmental issues ranging from marine pollution, human overgrowth, and raising awareness about global warming, sustainable consumption, plastic pollution and wildlife crime. Over the years, it has grown to be the largest global platform for environmental public outreach and is celebrated by millions of people in more than 100 countries.

This year, main global event of World Environment Day 2020 is being celebrated in Colombia in partnership with Germany. **Theme** selected for this year is "**Celebrate Biodiversity**." As per reports, one million plant and animal species are facing extinction, there has never been a more important time to focus on the issue of biodiversity.

To maintain environmental health is part of the Vision statement of IFFCO. Commitment to health, safety, and environment and forestry development to enrich the quality of community life is incorporated in our Mission. Environment protection and ecological balance has always been of paramount importance to IFFCO Paradeep Unit since its inception. The Pollution control measure and adaptation of latest technology has further improved quality of life at plant site as well as in nearby areas. By recycle and reuse of treated effluent and optimized use of water, there is substantial reduction in water consumption and effluent generation. Installation of bag filter type de-dusting system at

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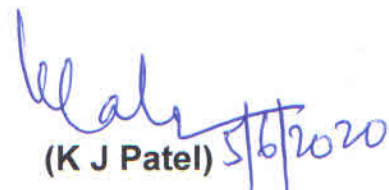
the transfer points of cross country conveyor has further improved ambient air quality and recovery of precious raw material. Maintaining pristine water bodies, clean air and conservation of natural resources in the nearby areas is our primary focus. Many bird species add colours to our beautiful campus. IFFCO-Paradeep is continuously putting efforts for efficient Environment Management as committed in Environment, Health and Safety (EHS) policy. Horticulture Section has planted around 30200 saplings in plant premises & distributed around 12000 saplings in nearby villages as a part of the plantation drive during the year 2019 -20.

For the last few months we are pressing hard to maintain our sustainable productivity and overall welfare of the society in view of global pandemic situation. I appreciate the cooperation and dedication shown by our employees, contract workers and all others associated with us in this difficult period. Recent cyclonic storm has also added to our hardships. Many well grown trees in our campus are uprooted in this storm. In spite of all the obstacles, our journey to serve the farmers continues with indomitable spirit.

On this special day, I appeal all of you to take care of the biodiversity provided by Mother Nature in our surroundings.

Stay safe, stay healthy & stay happy.

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