



# Gandhinagar Institute of Technology

A Report on

“Tree Planation Event 2016 ”

(23<sup>th</sup>August 2016,Tuesday)

**Objective:** Continuing with its tradition of preserving environment and having eco-friendly activities, “Tree Plantation Event” was conducted in the campus of Gandhinagar Institute of Technology.

Trees are important, necessary and valuable to our very existence. It's not too hard to believe that without trees we, humans would not exist on this beautiful planet. Unfortunately, our need for trees is more than ever. While science and technology has provided us with many comforts, the consequent urbanization and industrialization also have some undesired side-effects; **Global Warming** is one of those. This event is a positive step towards achieving healthy environment and to connect students to the nature and foster environmental stewardship.

**Program Details:** The event began with Prayer ceremony by the invited guests, faculty members and students at 9:30 am. More than 300 students and staff members participated in the event. Shri Hariom Gandhi, IAS, Zonal Director of Ahmedabad, Narcotics control Bureau and Shri Sanket Shah, Board Member of “Making a Difference” NGO were invited as Chief Guests and Guests of Honour.

Dr N M Bhatt, Director of the institute delivered an inspirational speech to convey the message, “We should not only save the trees but should put our equal efforts in planting as well nurturing the trees”. He also explained the importance of such an event to develop a good virtue in students' life and make them as good human beings as well as good engineers.

Shri Hariom Gandhi guided the students the importance of healthy life and healthy environment and considered this event as a very noble and remarkable initiative to accomplish the same. All participants planted the saplings around the campus. More than 200 saplings were planted. During the tree plantation ceremony, all participants sang a national anthem at 11:00 am to support the celebration of "Azadi 70 - Yaad Karo Kurbanani "(Freedom Fortnight) a period from 9<sup>th</sup> August 2016 to 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2016”,

The event was successfully accomplished under the persistent guidance of Dr N M Bhatt, Director of the Institute and also the remarkable efforts by event faculty coordinators and students volunteers.

**Photo Gallery:**



Dr N M Bhatt, Director, Shri Hariom Gandhi, IAS-Chief Guest during the Prayer Ceremony



Faculties and Students during the Prayer Ceremony



Lamp Lighting by Esteemed Dignitaries



Participated Audience during Inaugural Function



Welcome and Inaugural Speech by Dr N M Bhatt, Director



Shri Hariom Gandhi addressing the Participants



Planting a Tree by Dr N M Bhatt and Shri. Hariom Gandhi



Planting Mass number of Trees by the Students



Shri Sanket Shah & Mr. Maheshwari at Event Spot



Faculty Members and Student Volunteers at the Tree Plantation Spot