

High Commission of India
Windhoek

Press Release

World Environment Day & Gandhi@150

High Commission of India, Ministry of Environment and Tourism, University of Namibia (UNAM), City of Windhoek and Intelligence Support against Poaching (ISAP) came together today to mark UN World Environment Day & 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi by launching a tree planting campaign and planting of 150 trees (all indigenous species like karee, acacias, wild olives, aru, ebony etc.) by UNAM students.

2. In a separate event at Karasberg jointly organized today by the High Commission of India, the Ministry of Environment & Tourism, and UNDP, another 150 trees were planted by school students.

3. Speaking at the occasion, High Commissioner Prashant Agrawal remembered Mahatma Gandhi as a true eco-warrior and recalled his words that the Earth had enough to satisfy the needs of entire mankind, but not enough for our greed, Gandhiji's actions were marked by frugal consumption and protecting the nature.

4. Those present included Hon. Pohamba Shifeta, Minister of Environment and Tourism; Prof. Kenneth Matengu, UNAM Vice Chancellor; Councillor J.E. Paulus, City of Windhoek; Mr. Tega Shiimi Ya Shiimi, Director, Intelligence Support Against Poaching (ISAP), media and UNAM faculty and students.

5. HC also called for the tree plantation drive to not remain a one-off event, but to become a movement and to take place at many locations regularly and conveyed his full support for it.

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