

## **PRESS NOTE**

As a part of 70<sup>th</sup> Van Mahotsav celebrations, a prize distribution ceremony was held at Middle Andaman Forest Division, Rangat on 30.07.2019. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Guest Shri Anil Bepari, Up-Adhyaksh Zilla Parishad, North & Middle Andaman appreciated the efforts of the Department in creating awareness among the masses on the importance of forests. He impressed upon the audience to plant more trees for a better and healthy environment. The Guest of Honour, Dr. Aom Dhole, Assistant Commissioner, Rangat appealed to make forest conservation a people led movement and implement its discipline in our daily life.

Earlier, the function began with tree planting by the Chief Guest and other dignitaries. Shri P.K. Paul, the DFO, Middle Andaman Forest Division presented a report on the month long activities undertaken by the Division. The winners of various competitions held were awarded. The Head of various Depts., PRI members, general public, students, teachers and parents attended the programme. The vote of thanks was delivered by Shri C.A. Majeed, ACF. Free distribution of seedlings was also undertaken after the programme.