



प्रभागीय वन अधिकारी का कार्यालय / Office of The Divisional Forest Officer  
वन विस्तार एवं प्रचार प्रभाग / Forest Extension & Publicity Division  
पोर्ट ब्लेयर / Port Blair

No. FE&PD/G-117/42

Dated 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2020

To

The Director,  
Information & Publicity,  
Andaman & Nicobar Administration,  
Port Blair.

Sub: Observance of "World Combat Desertification Day" on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 and request for publishing/broadcast the news item-reg.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a Press Note along with relevant photographs regarding observance of "World Combat Desertification Day" on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2020 organized by Forest Extension & Publicity Division, Port Blair with the participation of Officers & Staff of Directorate of Census Operations, Phoenix bay Port Blair.

It is requested to publish/ broadcast/telecast the news item in the forth coming issue of leading news papers/All India Radio/Doordarshan for wider coverage and awareness of the subject matter.

Encl: A/a

Yours faithfully,

(Ayyub Hassan)

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Divisional Forest Officer

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Forest Extension & Publicity Division

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Haddo for kind information please.
2. The Chief Conservator of Forests (R&WP), Haddo for kind information please.
3. The Chief Editor, The Daily Telegram, Port Blair with the request to publish the enclosed News Item in your esteemed paper on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020.
4. The Deputy Director, News section, All India Radio for information with the request to broadcast the contents of the News Item for wider publicity and information of general public.
5. The Director, Doordarshan Kendra, information with the request to telecast the contents of the News Item in the news bulletin, "Dweep Darpan" for wide publicity and information of general public.


Dated the 17<sup>th</sup>, June, 2020

Press Note

**WORLD COMBAT DESERTIFICATION DAY OBSERVED**

The "World Combat Desertification Day" was observed by the Forest Extension & Publicity Division of Department of Environment & Forests in a befitting manner along with rest of the country and world on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2020. The theme of this year was "Food. Feed. Fibre." As part of celebration of the day, a Tree Planting programme was organized at the location of Directorate of Census Operations, Phoenix Bay, Port Blair along with Mr. Rakesh Behera, Statistical Investigator Gr-I and Mr. Vijay Kumar, Office Superintendent of Directorate of Census Operations, Phoenix Bay. The tree planting programme was conducted by following the guidelines provided by Govt. of India from time to time in view of COVID-19.

The programme was conducted to promote public awareness of international efforts to combat desertification. The day is a unique moment to remind everyone that land degradation neutrality is achievable through problem-solving, strong community involvement and co-operation at all levels.

  
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