Report on Tree Plantation Event: "एकपेड्मॉकेनाम" (One Tree in the Name of Mother)

Date: 3rd September 2024

Venue: Shri B. M. Shah College of Pharmaceutical Education and Research, Modasa

Coordinator: Dr. A. J. Patel

Participants: 50 Students and Teachers

Introduction

On the 3rd of September, 2024, Shri B. M. Shah College of Pharmaceutical Education and Research organized a tree plantation event under the theme "एक पेड़ मॉक नाम" (One Tree in the Name of Mother). This initiative is part of a broader environmental campaign aimed at promoting tree plantation as a tribute to mothers. Inspired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's announcement in the 111th episode of "Mann Ki Baat," this campaign encourages individuals to plant a tree in honor of their mothers, highlighting the nurturing role that both a mother and a tree play in providing life, sustenance, and protection.

Objective of the Event

The primary objective of this event was to promote environmental awareness and encourage sustainable practices among students and staff. By dedicating each planted tree to the name of a mother, the event aimed to strengthen the emotional bond between participants and nature, fostering a sense of responsibility and gratitude towards both our mothers and the environment.

Event Details

The event began with an opening speech by Dr. A. J. Patel, who explained the significance of the campaign and its importance in the current environmental scenario. He emphasized the role of trees in maintaining ecological balance and the symbolic relationship between a mother's nurturing care and a tree's life-sustaining capabilities.

Following the speech, a total of 50 students, along with their teachers, participated in the tree plantation activity. Each participant was encouraged to plant a sapling and dedicate it to their mother or a mother figure in their life. The event was conducted with great enthusiasm and was supported by the college staff, who ensured that all necessary materials and guidance were provided for the smooth execution of the plantation drive.

Key Highlights

- 1. **Educational Component:** Before the plantation began, students were given a brief educational session on the importance of trees, the impact of deforestation, and the role of individuals in contributing to environmental conservation.
- 2. **Symbolic Gesture:** Each sapling was planted with a label bearing the name of the mother to whom it was dedicated. This symbolic act reinforced the campaign's message of honoring the nurturing spirit of mothers through sustainable actions.
- 3. **Community Engagement:** The event was not only an activity for students but also an invitation for them to engage their families and communities in similar efforts, thereby extending the impact of the campaign beyond the college campus.
- 4. **Environmental Stewardship:** The participants were educated on how to care for the saplings they planted, ensuring that the trees would grow healthy and strong, much like the values and care instilled by a mother.

Outcome and Impact

The tree plantation event was a resounding success, fostering a spirit of environmental stewardship among the students and staff. By the end of the event, 50 trees were planted on the college campus, each serving as a living tribute to the mothers in our lives. The campaign also created a sense of community and shared purpose among the participants, as they contributed to a greener and more sustainable future.

Conclusion

The "Ek Ped Ma Ke Naam" campaign at Shri B. M. Shah College of Pharmaceutical Education and Research was an inspiring and meaningful event that not only celebrated the invaluable contributions of mothers but also promoted environmental conservation. We hope to continue such initiatives in the future to further instill the values of sustainability and respect for nature in our students.

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