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To,
The NSS Coordinator,
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University of Mumbai,
Churchgate, Mumbai

Warm Greetings,

We all are deeply concerned with the effect of global warming. **The threat of climate change is real.** As you may be aware, **India is signatory to Paris Climate Agreement**, whereby we have agreed to **increase the forest cover in our country by whopping 50 lakh hectares.** However, the government cannot be expected to do it alone. Every individual has to share the responsibility.

Therefore, I am organizing a massive tree plantation drive on 5th July near Ambarnath. Forest Department has already allotted about 100 acres land at village Mangrul, Badlapur pipeline road, Ambarnath, upon which a total of 1 lakh trees will be planted on 5th July. This drive will be held in association with the Forest Department and Thane Collectorate.

Approximately 10 thousand nature lovers are expected to participate in this mega event. As the students and youngsters are the next generation of this planet, we are trying to rope in as many students as possible.

The National Service Scheme (NSS) has been at the forefront of social change through various activities. It is a great institution inculcating a sense of responsibility among students and preparing them for the challenge of nation building. Environment conservation and protection is a measure challenge. The destruction of environment may pose a threat to the very existence of our future generations.

Therefore, we sincerely wish that college students, through NSS join the tree plantation drive on 5th July. It will be a great community service on the part of students and they will get the opportunity to interact with various social groups such as Rotary, Rotract, Lions Club, Inner Wheel Clubs etc.

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Prof. Sanjay Chaudhari
meet to Forest department
and instruct to involve
colleges to participate
in drive

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Let us join hands for this noble cause of environment protection. May I, therefore, request you to instruct all the NSS units in Mumbai and Thane district to send their students in large numbers on 5th July for this drive?

Date : 5th July, 2017; Time - 10 am

Venue - Village Mangrul, Badlapur Pipeline Road, Ambarnath

(Note - Transport facility will be available from Ambarnath Station)

Thanking you

Yours truly

Shrikant Eknath Shinde