Prof. Raj Kumar, Vice-Chancellor, Panjab University(PU), Chandigarh since assuming the charge of his office has shown keen interest in enhancing the greenery in the Panjab University Campus. Under the kind patronage of the Vice Chancellor, the Horticulture Division of Panjab University has organised various plantations drives and has plans to organize many more in the near future.

Plantation drive was organised at the Department of Arts History & Visual Arts, Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology, Gandhian and Peace Studies wherein more than 150 plants of the variety Ficus, Bottlebrush, Kachnar, Chandani & Dracena were planted. Prof. Emanual Nahar, Dean Student Welfare, Sr. Prof. M.L. Sharma, Dr. Tirthankar Bhattacharya, Chairperson, Deptt. of Arts History & Visual Arts, Dr. Ashu Pasricha, Chairperson, Deptt. of Gandhian and Peace Studies & Dr. Renu Thakur, Chairperson, Deptt. of Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology graced the occasion and also planted sapling.

In the plantation drive, more than 100 students from the University participated with great enthusiasm and also adopted the plants showing their commitment towards environment protection. Students of 1st year of the participating departments in particular were the most enthusiastic and were feeling proud to be a part of the University which has set an example in greenery for the residents of Chandigarh and other institutions of the tricity. Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, a blind student of 1st year of Deptt. of Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology also participated in the plantation drive setting an example for other students to emulate.

Prof. Emanual Nahar, Dean Student Welfare on this occasion appreciated the faculty and students for being a part of this initiative and expressed hope that their constant support will continue in future as well.

Er. Anil Thakur, Divisional Engineer (Hort.) expressed his gratitude towards the Vice Chancellor for being an inspiration for the staff and students to take this initiative and proposed vote of thanks. He also apprised about the future plans of plantation drive to be organised by the Horticulture Department.

