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The Editor,

Sir,

I request that the following matter may kindly be published in your esteemed daily:

International Day of Forests 2019 at TNAU

Forest College and Research Institute and Water Technology Centre jointly organized the tree planting programme in commemoration of World Water Day (22.03.2019) and International Day of Forest (21.03.2019).

The programme was participated by all students and faculties of Forest College and Research Institute. Tree planting programme was organized by involving 400 students of B.Sc (Forestry) and B.Sc (Sericulture) students and planted 200 tree saplings at Forest College and Research Institute, Mettupalayam.

The programme was presided by Dr. K. K. Suresh, Dean (Forestry), and Dr. Paneerselvam, Director, Water Technology Centre, TNAU. Dr. Megh R. Goyal, Scientist from USA and Dr. P. J. Pandian, former Director, Water Technology Centre, TNAU participated and graced the occasion.

In the event of the programme, besides tree planting the importance of water conservation and the importance of forest was also addressed to the participants by the experts. In order to ensure 100% survival of the planted seedlings and effective utilization of water, all the planted seedlings were provided with drip irrigation system. This again marks the importance of water and forest for the sustainability of life on the earth as it is envisaged in the United Nations agenda for the celebration of the above two important events for the conservation of nature and natural resources.

The programme is organized by Dr. A. Balasubramanian, Professor and Head, Department of Silviculture and NRM, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Associate Professor, Dr. M. Sivaprakash, Assistant Professor.

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