

Every household must plant one tree: CM

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Ranchi: Calling on the people to plant at least one tree to compensate for the damage being done to the environment, chief minister Hemant Soren on Wednesday said that every citizen must do their duty to mitigate the adverse effects of climate change.

Speaking at the 75th Van Mahotsav function, organised by the state department of forests, environment and climate change at the Garhkhatanga-based Indian Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology, Soren said he planted the saplings which were gifted to him at govt functions.

“Almost 11 years ago, during the inauguration of a road project on the outskirts of Ranchi, I had said that guests should be greeted with saplings instead of bouquets. I am glad that after all these years, this tradition of gifting saplings has become the norm here,” the CM said.

“Concrete jungles are fast replacing dense forests and this is having a direct impact on climate change. I urge everyone to plant trees in their homes,” he said.

Agriculture minister Dipika Pandey Singh, who also attended the function, urged the forest department to take up plantation drives in offices and campuses which house govt departments.

Sanjay Srivastava, the principal chief conservator of forests, said, “We intend to plant 2.5 crore saplings in Jharkhand in the ongoing financial year.”

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