

80 fruit, medicinal saplings planted by BITS Pilani students

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PANAJI: Around 80 saplings of saplings of Jackfruit, Tamarind, Cashew, Guava, Jamun, Bel Patra, Karanj, Terminalis Arjuna, Cassia fistula and Rosewood were planted by the students of BITS Pilani, Goa Campus recently. Plantation drive was held in presence of Director Prof Raghurama G, Associate Dean of Students' Welfare Division Prof Ramesha C K, Chief Warden Prof Angshuman Sarkar, Estate Manager A K Patil, Sr Technician Imran Sheikh and other senior teaching and non-teaching staff of BITS Pilani, Goa Campus.

The saplings have been planted in areas around the hostels which are occupied by first year students.

The students will be able to nurture these saplings



Students of BITS Pilani planting a sapling during the plantation drive.

during the four to five years period of their stay in the campus.

Manifold benefits of trees include releasing oxygen into the air, absorbing unpleasant odours as well as harmful gases such as carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide and sulphur dioxide

from the air and purifying it, protecting us from dangerous ultra-violet rays, providing us with food and the pivotal role of preventing soil erosion, maintaining ecological balance and most especially in lessening the effects of global warming.