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Students of Government High School, Villupuram, produce 12,500 saplings through Isha Green School Movement

9 January 2020, Villupuram: 3000 saplings produced by students of the Government High School in Pakkam, Villupuram, were distributed today at a sapling distribution function held at the school premises. All the saplings have been produced by students in the current academic year. Till date, the students have produced 12,500 saplings through Isha Green School Movement, a 3-year program that instills green consciousness in students.

Shri. Munusamy, District Chief Educational Officer of Villupuram who presided over the function distributed the saplings and said, "The students have transformed the whole school into a mini-forest. Organizing this function under the shade of trees instead of an awning is a very different experience." He appreciated and congratulated the students and teachers of the school on their feat. Isha Green School Movement coordinator Swami Rabhya was also present.

Isha Green School Movement has trained students in nearly 3000 schools in 9 districts of Tamil Nadu in mass production and distribution of saplings.

Isha Green School Movement

The Green School Movement (GSM) was conceptualized by Project GreenHands, an environmental initiative of Isha Foundation. It is being implemented in hundreds of schools each year in association with the Tamil Nadu Education Department. The objective is to instil green consciousness in students so that caring for the environment becomes a natural part of their lives. GSM is launched in a new district every year and is active for a period of 3 years in every district. So far, it has been launched in 9 districts - Coimbatore, Erode, Krishnagiri, Trichy, Puducherry, Salem, Vizhupuram, Kanchipuram, and Vellore.

Students in these districts have raised, cared for, distributed and planted nearly 46 lakh saplings.

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