

Once upon a time, Delhi was known as Garden City

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Ø **LG Visits tikona park for green re-development site**

Ø **10 Thousand ndmc school children participated in massive tree plantation drive**

Ø **Saplings planted in premises of indonesia and sri lanka embassy**

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"Once upon a time, Delhi was known as Garden City but the Green area of Delhi had faced the concretization due to increasing urbanization. However, it is a matter of pride that the New Delhi area is one of the greenest areas of the Capital city, having over 50 percent green cover and the survival rate of the sapling planted during the last few years is more than 90 percent. The avenues trees in certain



stretches in New Delhi area are getting aged therefore, a special drive has been made to ensure the plantation, so that the avenue trees might be retained."

This has been observed by Delhi Lt.Governor, Shri Anil Baijal, while speaking to the media persons after visiting the Traffic Training Park situated in between Bangla Sahib Gurudwara and Shivaji Stadium Airport Metro Station in New Delhi today.

Expressing his pleasure over the redevelopment plan being undertaken by the New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) on a piece of five acres of land for Two nurseries and adjoining area (Tikona Park), under Happiness Area initiatives, the LG said the heavy footfall comes from Hanuman Mandir, Bangla Sahib Gurudwara, Sacred Heart Cathedral Church and Gole Dak Khana might avail the facility of this green cover for relieving their metropolitan lifestyle stress during their leisure hours. LG has asked the Chairman, NDMC to finalize a composite design in consultation with Delhi Urban Art Commission (DUAC) and the entire facility is to be developed by NDMC being a single agency.

Outlining the details of the redevelopment plan of Tikona Park under the NDMC landscaping initiative, Chairman-NDMC, Shri Naresh Kumar informed that the Traffic Training facilities will be extended and made contiguous with the public green and opening up the potential green area for the public. The historical fountain structure will be restored in a befitted manner and strengthening the lost visual axis from Bangla Sahib Gurudwara, he added.

Under the 5th consecutive Tree Plantation Drive, being undertaken by NDMC, as many as 10 thousand students of 50 NDMC schools have planted 8 thousand trees, 27 thousand shrubs, 59 thousand ground cover at nearby parks, surrounding areas and 10 main roads of New Delhi area.

Besides, the plantation in Talkatora Garden, the Ambassadors of Indonesia and Sri Lanka have planted

sapling in the premises of their Embassies during today's plantation drive. Secretary-NDMC, Smt.Rashmi Singh, Senior Officers of NDMC, RWAs, MTAs also participated in the drive.

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