

'My Village My Forest' for clean environment in Fazilka villages

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BATHINDA: Fazilka district administration has launched a project 'My Village My Forest' to ensure clean environment. Under this, mini forests are being developed in 75 villages of the district with Miyawaki technique. Deputy commissioner Himanshu Aggarwal said that clean environment is the need of the hour and trees are very important to achieve this. Under this mini forests are being developed on panchayat lands. Last year these mini forests were planted in the villages of Kuharianwali and Haripura which gave excellent results which further motivate the department to plan this green project.

Sagar Setia, additional deputy commissioner (development) states that against the target of forestation in 75 villages with Miyawaki technique, the work of planting trees has already been completed in 4 kanals in village Chak Banwala, 1 acre in Banawali, 1.5 acres in Pakkan, 3 kanals in village Rana, one acre in Khuikhera, while work is under progress in other villages.

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He said that this project being run under MGNREGA which would not only provide employment opportunities to the people of the village but also provide clean air to the future generations. These forests are being developed by planting these plants in a

dense arrangement with Miyawaki technique in which three dozen varieties of locally grown plants are being planted, including flowering plants, bird attracting plants, medicinal plants which includes shrubs, small trees, trees and canopy making giant trees in a special order, so that each plant can get proper space for its growth.

According to Rajesh Babbar, Sarpanch of village Rana, this mini forest will be a boon for the village. The declining trees in the area is a matter of concern for everyone and this project will give us own forest.

