

ANCHORS FOR EARTH

PLANTATION DRIVE

From sailing the oceans to nurturing the Earth

24 SEP
2026

1,000 TREES

**1,000 NEW BEGINNINGS
FOR A GREENER FUTURE.**



3:30 pm onwards



Near Chitkara Lake

Event details	
Event Name	Anchors for Earth – Plantation Drive
Theme	From Sailing the Oceans to Nurturing the Earth
Date	24 September 2026
Time	3:30 pm onwards
Venue	Near Chitkara Lake, Chitkara University
Organized by	Chitkara University School of Maritime Studies
In Collaboration with	Centre of Excellence for Sustainability
Target	1,000 Trees
SDGs	SDG 13 – Climate Action; SDG 15 – Life on Land; SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals

OBJECTIVES

- To promote environmental responsibility and encourage students to actively participate in plantation and conservation activities.
- To contribute towards creating a greener and healthier campus environment through large-scale tree plantation.
- To encourage collective action for addressing climate change and protecting terrestrial ecosystems.
- To connect the values of maritime responsibility with environmental stewardship and sustainable development.

DESCRIPTION

The “**Anchors for Earth – Plantation Drive**” was organized to promote environmental sustainability through active participation in tree plantation. The initiative carried the theme “**From Sailing the Oceans to Nurturing the Earth**”, highlighting the connection between maritime responsibility and the protection of the natural environment. As part of the drive, more than **94 students and 13 faculty** members actively participated in plantation and participants came together to plant **1,000 trees**, representing “**1,000 New Beginnings for a Greener Future.**” The plantation activity provided an opportunity for participants to contribute directly towards



enhancing green cover, supporting biodiversity, and fostering environmentally responsible practices.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

The plantation of 1,000 trees will contribute to climate action, carbon sequestration, improved air quality, water management, soil stabilization, biodiversity conservation, and campus greening. The trees will provide shade and cooling, support local ecosystems, enhance the overall environmental quality of the campus, climate action and ecological restoration. Based on published urban-tree estimates, the plantation has the potential to sequester approximately 60 tonnes of CO₂ per year once the trees are established. An illustrative estimate of oxygen production is approximately 118 tonnes of oxygen per year, although actual oxygen production varies with species, tree age and growing conditions. The initiative contributes to SDG 13 – Climate Action, SDG 15 – Life on Land, and SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals, while promoting environmental awareness and collective responsibility

OUTCOMES

- **1,000 trees** were planned for plantation, contributing towards increased green cover and a greener environment.
- The initiative encouraged active participation in environmental conservation and sustainable practices.
- The plantation drive promoted awareness about the importance of trees in supporting biodiversity and addressing climate-related challenges.
- The drive encouraged participants to take collective responsibility for protecting and nurturing the environment.
- The initiative reinforced the importance of individual and collective environmental action in building a sustainable future.

CONCLUSION

The “**Anchors for Earth – Plantation Drive**” successfully brought together maritime education and environmental stewardship through a meaningful plantation initiative. With the target of planting **1,000 trees**, the event highlighted the importance of collective action in creating a greener and more sustainable future. The collaboration between the **School of Maritime Studies and the Centre of Excellence for Sustainability** further demonstrated the role of partnerships in advancing environmental responsibility and sustainability on campus.

