## A Brief Report on Plantation drive themed, "Harmony with Nature"

Integral University is dedicated to secure and maintain a clean, green and pollution free campus, ensuring quality of life in a nature friendly environment. Planting tree has been a sustained drive of the University involving students, teachers, officers, support staff and other stakeholders. The entire campus has a canopy of trees which includes orchards (fruit and nut producing trees), floras, flowering trees and shrubs, hard-wood trees etc. In order to maintain this clean green environment, the plantation drive themed, "Harmony with Nature" was organized by the Department of Bioengineering and Integral Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology on 23rd March 2022 in the Integral University Farm.

The duel objectives of this drive were to enhance the tree cover on the campus and to sensitize the students towards importance of trees. In this program, students of various courses came up with their choice of plants and were made to plant a tree each at the designated place. They were evaluated for the name and type of tree, color of its flowers, its blooming season, its functions and about what are they expected to do to take care of it. **Professor Iffat Zareen** (Department of Bioengineering), **Dr. Tarique Mahmood Ansari** (Department of Pharmacy) and **Dr. Swati Singh** (Department of Biosciences) judged the students' knowledge about the plants and choose the best 3 among the 25 students. As per the evaluation of judges, **Mr. Gaurav Kumar of B.Sc (Hons.) Agriculture** was adjudged the best among all, while **Ms. Shubi Shrivastava** and **Akanksha Singh**, both of **B.Sc (Hons.) Agriculture** were adjudged first and second runner up, respectively. In all 25 plants, were planted on the occasion, which include a diverse variety of Plants. The students took the responsibility of nurturing their plants.

The event was concluded by the vote of thanks from the faculty coordinators (Dr. Usman Sayeed and Dr. Owais Yousuf) and the student coordinators.





