Valediction of sapling plantation drive

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COIMBATORE: The drive to plant two lakh saplings a year, launched by Isha Foundation’s Project Green-Hands (PGH) in association with the Department of School Education, concluded at Devanga Higher Secondary School here on Friday.

Collector M. Karunagaran and Chief Education Officer A. Gnanagowri took part in the event.

According to a press note, the project was launched in July 2012, with 150 schools across the city joining hands with PGH to plant two lakh saplings every year.

The Green School Movement, supported by Suzlon Foundation since 2008, involves school children, who were members of National Green Corps. The seeds, covers and technical assistance for growing the saplings have been provided by the PGH.

The children have been involved in the nursery activities starting from sowing seeds, filling pockets, transplantation, watering, weeding, and maintenance of saplings.

These nurseries are being used to spread awareness among school children about the environment and ecology.

On Friday, saplings were planted on the school premises and were also distributed to the students.