

# SSP hands over 50,000 saplings to Isha Foundation

## Sets target to plant 2.5 crore saplings

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**SALEM:** Salem Steel Plant (SSP) handed over 50,000 saplings to Isha Green Hands Project to green the state.

At a function held here on Sunday, the SSP Executive Director, P. M. Balasubramanian, handed over the saplings to Managing Trustee, Isha Foundation, M. S. Rajarathinam. The SSP, as a part of its corporate responsibility, will continue to support the good works such as greening the neighbourhood undertaken by the Isha Foundation, said Mr. Balasubramanian.

The Foundation had undertaken the greening of the project and planted 8.52 lakh saplings last year. This year the project inaugurated by the Chief Minister, M. Karunanidhi, had set the target of planting 2.5 crore saplings. The project had been extended to Salem and its district too.

At the function organised at the SSP, the need for growing trees was stressed. The cadres of Isha Foundation also shared their experiences while collecting and planting the saplings. Many lauded the efforts of the Foundation and its Green Hands project. Many including the Isha Foundation Trustee T. R. Rathinam, Salem Green Hands Coordinator Ethirajulu, Salem Isha Coordinator Cheran and others spoke. Local bodies' representatives and others also shared their experiences of taking part in the Green Hands project.



**GREENING PROJECT:** The Managing Director of the Salem Steel Plant, P.M Balasubramaniam (left), handing over a sapling to M.S Rajarathinam, Managing Trustee, Isha Centre, in Salem on Sunday. — PHOTO: P. GOUTHAM