

Department of Botany, GDC Sopore organized a plantation drive on the eve of World Arbor Day-2024.

Department of Botany, GDC Sopore in collaboration with Landscaping committee and Eco-Club organized a plantation drive under the dynamic leadership of worthy Principal Prof. (Dr.) Salma Ahad on the eve of World Arbor Day on 26-03-2024. This programme was part of **Green Campus Initiative** flagged by worthy Principal Prof. (Dr.) Salma Ahad. The main objective of this programme was to make students aware about importance of plants in maintaining ecological balance. Students and faculty members of the college participated in plantation drive with great enthusiasm and planted different kinds of plants which include conifers, medicinal plants, ornamental plants and fruit trees in the botanical garden and adjoining parks. Some of the important plants that were planted in the botanical garden include- *Cedrus deodara*, *Cupressus*, *Forsythia*, *Genista*, *Wiegela*, *Punica*, *Ficus*, *Hypericum*, *Ajuga* etc. In addition to enriching the biodiversity, these plants are economically very important.

