



Me And My Plant (MAMP)

Haritha Krishna, Eco-Club of Dr V. S. Krishna Government Degree College, Visakhapatnam, has initiated a Flagship practice known as **Me And My Plant (MAMP)** with the aim of inculcating a sense of responsibility and developing a bond with nature by adopting a plant among students and faculty.

The primary objectives of the practice are:

Objectives

- One of the main focuses of the MAMP practice is to provide an opportunity to collaborate with nature and foster a strong bond with the environment. By engaging actively with plants and nature, students will develop a deeper appreciation for nature and their role in preservation.
- Sensitize the students to adopt plants in the botanical garden and nurture them.
- To reduce Carbon Footprint on the Campus by various eco-friendly practices. .
- By following this practice students get an opportunity to improve the collaborative skills as this involves teamwork. It enhances soft skills such as team work, responsibility and cooperative learning.
- They can improve and provide an opportunity to be involved in planning, learning and enjoying.

Practice

- The institution has been implementing an amazing practice of Me and My Plant. A block in the garden is assigned to a team of students. The team is encouraged to take the ownership in maintaining that particular block according to their aesthetic sense. The students are given the opportunity to procure the seeds and plants from their local surroundings. Students are encouraged to adopt the plants of that block.
- Regular exchange sessions are being conducted to review the progress. Students are encouraged to express their views which would help in sharing best

practices. To enhance greenery and provide a natural habitat for fauna as VS Krishna boasts of a variety of butterfly species and to make campus environment lush green and vibrant.

- The students and faculty are motivated to plant the saplings on their birthday or any important day and to entrust them with the responsibility to take care during their period of study.
- In order to honor the guest, it is a regular practice in the college to offer saplings for events and programs organized on campus.
- To mark the celebration of a program the sapling is planted in the campus.
- Institution has initiated a tradition of planting a sapling to mark the visit of dignitaries and esteemed guests to the college to mark the celebration of a program the sapling is planted in the campus.

Outcomes/ impact of the practice

- This practice helped in the inclusion of diverse plant species.
- Due to the care taken, the plants showed much adaptability to varied environmental conditions.
- Faculty and students donated saplings for the plantations.
- Students applying their thought and creativity in garden designing.
- It helped in developing ownership and enthusiasm towards garden development. Students understood the importance of the practice of ME and My Plant. It molds them as responsible and dedicated future citizens towards the greening of cities and expanding forest canopy, which is a sustainable practice.
- The Me and My Plant program helped students connect with nature and teach them the innumerable value of trees.
- The sense of love and caring of their plants also will extend towards protecting mother nature.
- Spending time in gardening enhanced student's mental and physical well-being and concentration.
- In essence, this program makes them environmental stewards who serve in protecting nature and keeping cities/towns/villages green.
- Students got acquainted with the scientific names and uses of plants in the botanical garden.

Haritha Krishna, Eco-Club of Dr V. S. Krishna Government Degree College, Visakhapatnam has launched a Flagship practice of **Me And My Plant (MAMP)** to promote environmental consciousness among students and faculty.

Problems encountered (Obstacles faced)

1. Regular watering of plants is required
2. Some motivational sessions are also required
3. Utmost care is needed during the summer season.

Resources required

Seeds, Seedlings and Plants

Utmost regular care is required.

Photo gallery





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