## Seeding of Palmyra Tree on the Bank of Tirupattur Lake

To mark the 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day celebration very significantly, Sacred Heart College organized a big task of seeding of 25000 Palmyra tree on the bank of lakes in and around Triupattur. To inaugurate this mission, students gathered in front of the college gate after the flag hosting ceremony. Rev.Dr.C.Antonyraj, Secretary started the rally after enlightening the students on the importance of Palmyra tree and Rev.Dr. D.Maria Anthony Raj, Principal, Rev.Dr.Preveen Peter, Vice Principal, Rev.Fr.S.Henry Daniel Ambrose, Director, Extension Education & Services, Mr.J.Mario Leo Joseph, Assistant Professor of Chemistry and the members of the "Green Movement" led the rally from Sacred Heart College at 10.15 a.m. 1607 students and many faculty members of Sacred Heart College participated in the rally. Students carried Palmyra seeds and placards in their hands to create awareness on the importance of Palmyra tree to the public.

The rally reached the Tirupattur Lake via bus stand around 11.00 a.m. After reaching the lake, Mr. Navaneetham and Mrs.C. Ravethy, Deputy Thasildars of Tirupattur and Mr.Sivakumar, Revenue Inspector started seeding Palmyra seeds on the bank of Tirupattur Lake. Then the students were divided into eighteen groups and each group planted 250 seeds along the bank which covers 2 kilo meters. Totally 4500 seeds were planted by the students. The public who reside near the lake encouraged and supported the students by providing water, snacks and tools to plant the seeds. Students dispersed the place with fullest happiness and satisfaction. The public commended that this is the one of the best ways of celebrating Independence Day.



