



# UNNAT BHARAT ABHIYAN

*(A Movement for Progressive India)*



## Webinar Report on

## Ecosystem Restoration for Prosperous India

June 05, 2021 (Saturday)



Organized by  
Regional Coordinating Institute (RCI)  
Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA)  
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY ROORKEE

## **INTRODUCTION**

An Online Webinar entitled “**Ecosystem Restoration for Prosperous India**” was organized by the Regional Coordinating Institute (RCI), Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA), Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, on June 05, 2021 (Saturday) through virtual platform WebEx.

UBA Participating Institutions (PIs) coordinators from Uttarakhand, West Uttar Pradesh, and other regions, IIT Roorkee faculty members, students, Gram Pradhan's farmers of adopted villages attended this program. The webinar schedule is enclosed as Annexure – I.

## **INAUGURAL SESSION**



**Prof. Ashish Pandey**, Coordinator, Regional Coordinating Institution, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, IIT Roorkee, welcomed the dignitaries and all the online webinar participants. He commenced the webinar that featured the keynote speakers, i.e., Dr. Satish Kumar Shastri, International Promoter of Indian Culture, has been honored with many international awards keeping in view his contribution for the promotion of Indian culture and Hindi language in countries like Fiji, Nepal, Malaysia etc.

Prof. Pandey said that the lifestyle of our ancestors was such that it used to be environment friendly, but in the blind race of development, we have polluted the environment so much. It has been said that if we are still not conscious, we may have to see the more destructive nature of nature. Therefore, today we have an urgent need to preserve and enhance the environment by restoring our ecosystem. Professor Pandey said that Dr. Satish Shastri had done remarkable work to promote Indian culture, Hindi language, and environment in many countries. Last year, Dr. Shastri also distributed free plants to all the villagers to create awareness about tree plantations. During COVID-19, awareness programs were also run by him through various platforms to make people aware.

Prof. M. Parida, Deputy Director, IIT Roorkee, welcomed the keynote speaker, Dr. Shastri. He said that our ancestors in India had prescribed environment-friendly behavior long back. In the last few years, we have been trapped in the vicious circle of modernity and started behaving adversely against these practices. The environment, humans, animals, and birds are



also facing the brunt of its ill effects. Therefore, it is the need of the hour today to restore our ecosystem.












**Dr. Satish Kumar Shastri**, Said that oxygen had been known as Pranavayu since the time of life on earth. Despite this, the man started tinkering with nature in such an unreasonable way for the sake of his vested interests that concrete skyscrapers increasingly replaced the trees and forests that produced the essential oxygen for his own life. He said that we have directly experienced the vital importance of oxygen during the global Covid pandemic, which has been a challenge for the whole world. Perhaps after this, many of us become more conscious about the protection and promotion of trees, which will be a good sign in the environment! Not only this, it has been said for centuries that the real India resides in the villages & the soul of India lives in the villages. Dr. Shastri emphasized that dense orchards should be planted in the village. Especially more oxygen-providing trees like peepal, neem, banyan, tamarind, bel, amla, mango, on the side of the village road and ponds. In the past, clean water was available throughout the year due to environment friendly lifestyle of the villagers. Rivers flowing from time to time with clean water were the basis of our prosperity, which is getting extinct under the false cover of modernity. As a result we are becoming more sick and troubled than before.

Dr. Shastri said that today nature is angry with us due to which the human race is facing various types of diseases and epidemics. The only way to please nature is that on a holy occasion like World Environment Day, let us all take a heartfelt resolution to plant at least 5 trees on every auspicious occasion. We all should plant a Tulsi tree in our house. With this, the lap of Mother India will be filled with greenery, and she will smile again. The water level of the earth, which is continuously going down, will also start rising. During the interactive session, few questions were raised by the participants, which were answered by keynote speaker Dr. Satish Kumar Shastri.

In the end, Prof. Ashish Pandey, Coordinator, Regional Coordinating Institute, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, IIT Roorkee, proposed a formal vote of thanks to keynote speaker Dr. Satish Kumar Shastri, Prof. M. Parida, Deputy Director, IIT Roorkee, participants, UBA team, and Media Cell of IIT Roorkee.

## Photographs of Live Session

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**Online Webinar**  
**on**

**“Ecosystem Restoration for Prosperous India”**

**June 05, 2021; 18:00 hrs. to 19:00 hrs. (on WebEx)**

**Program Schedule**

18:00 – 18:05	About the workshop	Prof. Ashish Pandey Coordinator, RCI-UBA, IIT Roorkee
18:05 – 18:15	Address by	Prof. M. Parida Deputy Director, IIT Roorkee
18:15 – 18:50	Address by	Dr. Satish Kumar Shastri, International Promoter of Indian Culture



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Webinar on  
**“Ecosystem Restoration for prosperous India”**  
(समृद्ध भारत के लिए पारिस्थितिकी तंत्र की पुनर्स्थापना)



Date & Time: June 5, 2021; 6.00 PM



**Dr. Satish Kumar Shastri**  
International Promoter  
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**Prof. Ashish Pandey**  
Regional Coordinator, UBA  
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**Prof. M. Parida**  
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