

# How will trees be planted along one lakh kilometre network of national highways?

**3-day convention to develop detailed road-map and framework**



*RNI News:*

The National Green Highways Mission (NGHM) has been entrusted with the task of planning, implementation and monitoring roadside plantations along one lakh kilometre network of national highways. To conduct this task effectively, the NGHM needs to adapt learnings from other parts of the world and undertake new research and test innovations at pilot scale so as to implement them later on larger scale. With this perspective, NGHM is organizing a three-day convention from 7<sup>th</sup> November at Madhyanchal located at Delhi's Vasant Kunj in which experts from various related fields will put forth their

views and highlight the hurdles in the way.



The National Green Highways Mission (NGHM) was established by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) under National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) with a vision to develop green corridors along the national highways for sustainable environment and inclusive growth.

Minister of Road Transport and Highways will be the Chief Guest in the inaugural session. Dr. AK Bhattacharya (Mission Director, NGHM), Mr. Raghav Chandra (Chairman, NHAI), Mr. Vijay Chhibber (Ex Secretary, MoRTH), Dr. CK Varshney (Ex Professor and Dean, JNU), Mr AP Frank Noronha (DG, PIB), Dr. Hans



Friederich (INBAR, China) and Mr. Anuj Sharma (DGM, NGHM) will put forth their views in the inaugural session. On this occasion, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for Green Highways Project will be signed with the World Bank, ITC, INBAR, Yes Bank and TERI.

The purpose of the convention is to create a knowledge centre known as 'Centre for Innovations in Green Pathways', which will work under the supervision of NGHM, and serve as a platform to undertake research, innovations, trainings, capacity building programs and advocacy in the field of green

highways and pathways. Various technical sessions have been kept with this purpose in mind, so that experts from various fields may express their observations.

Outlook magazine has taken up the responsibility of executing the event, informed S. Ramesh working as GM.