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MESSAGE

It gives me immense pleasure to give message for a brochure being brought up Yogi Vemana University on the collection and nurturing of the Botanical Garden was established in year 2007 with the objective of providing facility for placement on Plant biology, Biodiversity and Conservation. The University garden truly a regional icon representing the traditions and heritage of Rayalaseema People.

The Yogi Vemana University garden is not only to protect and nourish the plants but also to equip it for its leading role in protecting plant diversity in a world of growing environmental challenges. The garden now sprawling over 20 acres with more than 3500 plants belonging to 700 species is attracting all walks of life with its beauty and diversity. The efforts of Dr. A. Madhusudhana Reddy have to be appreciated in this regard. He has nurtured the garden as his child and developed a range of projects covering science, sustainability, propagation of indigenous fruit crops, seed bank, herbarium and garden displays. Here at the Botanical Garden, it is playing the role of a vanguard of protecting biodiversity from threats of land use challenges, climate change, invasive species, over exploitation and pollution.

On the eve of the release of this brochure second time since the beginning of the movement related to the garden, I congratulate Dr. A. Madhusudhana Reddy, the administration and academia of the University and looking forward for their commitment for protecting the garden resources in future also.

“If you are planning for a year, sow rice; if you are planning for a decade, plant trees; if you are planning for a lifetime, educate people...”

This proverb is ascribed to the Chinese philosopher and poet Kuan Tzu which was supposed to have been phrased about 2300 years ago.

I wish the project all success in its future endeavours for imparting and educating the future generations.

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