



Tree Plantation

Trees Gives us Oxygen: Plant trees and protect them



**I think that I shall never see
a billboard lovely as a tree.
Perhaps, unless the billboards fall,
I'll never see a tree at all.**

Trees form the living umbrella over our streets, parks and gardens which define the character of urban form. They provide many environmental and social benefits to our community. The key benefits are outlined below.

Social and Environmental benefits of trees:

- removing carbon dioxide
- improving our health by improving air quality
- improving the quality of life for people by improving the visual quality of the landscape
- supporting and enhancing biodiversity
- providing opportunities for recreation
- a renewable source of energy

Without oxygen we cannot live for a moment even. Without oxygen, the animal world will die away. Trees make the oxygen and spread it in the air. While inhaling air we take the oxygen with it into our bodies and live in life.

Trees also give us many other benefits. We get fruit and flowers from the trees. Trees provide us with fuel and timbers. In summer, they bear the scorching rays of the sun and give us cool shade under them. Trees in our forests draw the rain from the clouds floating in the sky. Trees in our forests check the quick flow of rain-water and thereby check the occurrence of high flood in our rivers. On the other hand, this slow process of water-flow gives us good water all throughout the year through streams and streamlets with their sweet melodious music.

Trees conserve our soil. This soil-conservation is very important for our corn-fields. Trees make own land fertile by their fallen leaves. By their fallen leaves they make new soil for us. Most of the forest-products are the products from the trees in the forests, absentee of trees will cause a lot of harm to us and to our life. We should plant trees near our houses and near our villages for a forestation with a view to raising new forests.

- We should plant trees on the two sides of the roads and paths and on the four sides of our fields.
- We should plant trees on all the vacant places in our village on towns where we live, and we should advise all to do so.



Selection of trees for plantation

We should make good selection of trees to be planted, in consideration of the nature of land and the kind of climate. Coconut trees grow well in the sea-coasts. Plantain trees grow well near the ponds. We should know which place is fit for which tree. To know this we should get our soil tested by the experts and plant the kinds of trees accordingly. Collection of plants to be planted should be made from the Government nurseries in consultation with the experts there.

Time for tree-plantation

Generally, rainy season is the best time for tree-plantation. Most of the tree-plants thrive well in rainy season. In Pakistan March-April and September-October months in every year considered the best for tree plantation.

After-care

Only planting the trees is not enough. Because, planted trees may be destroyed by animals or otherwise, or may die for regular service of water. So we should be particular about the after-care of the planted trees. We should be very careful about the newly-planted trees.



Trees should be regularly planted to save the mankind and the animal world. Tree plantation and its after-care is a pleasing work too. We can get much pleasure in planting trees and in taking care of them. Students should plant trees in their school-compounds and in the front-yards, backyards and side-yards of their schools and near their own houses and in other places wherever possible. They should explain to their neighbours the goodness of tree-plantation and encourage them to plant and care new trees.