

Environment minister Namo Narain Meena at the project launch

UN climate protection programme launched

New Delhi: Carrying forward the green cover campaign on the occasion of world environment day, minister of state for environment and forest, Namo Narain Meena launched the 'India Climate Neutral Programme 2008-2010' with a symbolic planting of an Amla tree at UN lawns on Thursday.

The ambitious project will result in the planting of one crore trees throughout the country between 2008-2010. The minister said that the project "... compliments the initiatives taken by the government like the launch of the green India programme by environment ministry." This year's world environment day's slogan is 'Kick the Carbon habit, towards a low Carbon Economy'. This programme has been initiated by Carbon Minus India, a registered partner of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), with a strategic partnership with the Times Foundation. A short film on 'Countering Climate Change' was also screened at the event.TNN