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Fortis Mohali celebrates Nanhi Chhaan Day, plants saplings

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Mohali, March 7, 2015: The women Housekeeping staffers of Fortis Hospital Mohali today celebrated Nanhi Chhaan Day at Fortis Hospital Mohali by planting sapling at the hospital. Saplings were also distributed among the patients and attendants to promote the message of 'Save the Environment, Save the Girl Child, Save Humanity'. This unique initiative is celebrated in March at all Fortis hospitals in an effort to promote the welfare of the girl child.

Mr Ashish Bhatia, COO-North & East, Fortis Healthcare Ltd, said, "On Nanhi Chhaan Day, when we, at Fortis, dedicate ourselves again to the cause of 'saving the girl child, saving environment', it's apt to have our hardworking and sincere Housekeeping staffers to plant these sapling of hope and bright future."

Regional Medical Director Dr Gurbir Singh and Facility Director (Mohali) Mr Abhijit Singh were also present on the occasion. "The sex ratio has fallen to an abysmal 918 girls to 1,000 boys. The discrimination against girl child will not only harm the society, but will also damage the generations to come. We shun female foeticide, and also exhort everybody to save the environment by planting sapling and taking care of the green areas in their surroundings," said Dr Gurbir Singh.

"At Fortis, we stress upon the importance of inculcating the thought of 'Save Girl Child, Save Environment, Save Humanity' among all our employees. Thus, we celebrate Nanhi Chhaan Day with fervor each year, and also reiterate this message among Fortisians at every given opportunity. We also maintain the neighbourhood park and two rotaries – one in Chandigarh, and the other in Mohali," said Mr Abhijit Singh.

Close to 100 saplings were also distributed to attendants. One of them said, "Punjab has such alarming sex ratio and despite Guru Nanak Devji's saying that 'It's a woman who keeps the race going', we hear of infanticide and foeticide every day. I promise to not only plant this sapling, but to also nurture it with a lot of love and care."



About Hospital Mohali

Fortis Hospital Mohali is a 355 bed, JCI and NABH-certified, multispecialty care hospital. The hospital commenced operations in 2001, and is today considered one of the most recognized cardiac hospitals of India. Located in the heart of Punjab over 8.22 acres, the tertiary hospital has a comprehensive team of clinicians delivering world-class patient care, supported by advanced technology. In July 2014, Fortis Hospital Mohali added the 55-bed 'Fortis Cancer Institute' on its premises to offer the latest and most comprehensive Medical, Surgical and Radiation Therapy modalities.

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