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## **Volkswagen India celebrates World Environment Day at its facility in Chakan**

Mumbai/Pune, June 5, 2008 – Volkswagen India celebrated the 36<sup>th</sup> observance of World Environment Day through a tree plantation ceremony at its upcoming manufacturing facility at Chakan, Pune. Volkswagen employees planted 250 trees to encourage green surroundings at the facility. Mr. Joerg Mueller, President, Volkswagen India also participated in the initiatives.

This occasion also provided a perfect opportunity to reiterate Volkswagen's global commitment towards the environment. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Mueller said, "Globally, we have been constantly working on energy efficiency and making our business more environment friendly. This initiative is just a step further in VW's continuing commitment to clean and green environment initiatives."

The World Environmental Day, which is nowadays celebrated in more than 100 countries worldwide, was proclaimed on 5 June 1972, in Stockholm, by the United Nations General Assembly, during the first international conference on the human environment

### **About Volkswagen:**

Volkswagen is the biggest brand within the Volkswagen Group and also the largest carmaker in Europe and in Germany. The brand sells its broad model range from the Fox to the Phaeton in more than 150 countries worldwide. With the market launch of the Passat in September 2007, Volkswagen offers its first model produced in India. Also available is the Touareg as a direct import. The next step in the model program will be the market entry with the Jetta in the mid of 2008.

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