

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## The Pollination Project

We are thrilled to announce that The Pollination Project has awarded a \$1000 grant to Mr. Verhaen Khanna, Founder of New Delhi Nature Society. for the campaign "Compassion for Animals".

With this campaign, team NDNS will conduct many workshops with students around the capital and be able to provide regular professional medical treatment for rescued animals before they are released.

#ThePollinationProject is an amazing organisation that has been helping many great people around the globe to achieve their awesome goals.

Special Thanks to Mr. Victor Anders Sjodin for helping us with our campaign.



COMPASSION FOR

A campaign to help people be compassionate towards animals

## Earth Day at Citywalk

Several NGO's collaborated for reaching out to the nice people at Select CITYWALK, New Delhi.

Free clay bowls were distributed so that people could keep water for animals because they get dehydrated in summers and we also distributed free reusable cloth bags so that people are empowered to refuse plastic bags from shopkeepers. The donations collected will be used for building water troughs for cows around the city.

Special thanks to Holy Cow Foundation, New Delhi Nature Society, Compassionate Living India, Beejom, Fauna Police, Lakshyam, Dhyan Foundation and Geeli Mitti Foundation.



## **Contributor of the Month**

Special Thanks to Mr. Uday Nath for their generous contribution of Rs5000/-towards the environmental conservation work by New Delhi Nature Society.



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## Samvada

lowed. The dust, smoke emanating from the leaves does not add any value to the environment. The residents should keep a check on their helps and discourage them from indulging in such activities.

Dyed Birds! Once while I was traveling near Bhairon Marg, I noticed this man car-



rying multicoloured birds in a cage. For a moment I thought they were stuffed toys.

### MORE SNAP SHOTS

As I moved closer to the cage I noticed, to my astonishment that, the "stuffed toys" were moving! My curiosity got the better of me and I stopped the man. They were live chicks and in unnatural colours. I was too fascinated by them so I decided to buy two pairs. I got them home, fed them and watched them dart around the house and grow bigger. As they grew bigger I noticed neutral colour feathers growing under the neon pink feathers! They were normal chicks who had been spray dyed with unearthly, neon pinks, parrot green and sky blues! How inhuman can this be! Who could have thought of such a cruel sales technique? Our very own Verhaen Khan, came as a saviour for a bunch of these dyed creatures. After chasing the bird seller, he intimidated the police

and handed him over. The birds were safely delivered to the Sanjay Gandhi Animal Care Centre for rehabilitation. The animal society also needs to look into these small time offenders and stop animal abuse.

· Seeds Come Handy In Spreading Greenery: A resident posted a very interesting thought. He has advised residents to collect seeds of seasonal fruits, dry them and keep them in packets. They can be kept in the cars and while traveling these seeds can be sprinkled on adjoining barren lands to germinate into trees with the onset of the monsoons. This is an amazing thought to spread greenery, oxygen, and more plants for the generations to come.

(Compiled By Editorial Board)







## **Tree Climbing**

Hundreds of children climbed trees with NDNS since the last newsletter. Families from all over Delhi NCR spent an exciting morning connecting with nature.

Many children climbed a tree for the first time in their entire lives. They also learned to recognize trees and the flowers of spring.



Join us on Sunday mornings for a tree climbing session. Book your spot now!

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#### Arbor Day Celebration



The children from Serra International Preschool NFC celebrated Arbor day by visiting Ashoka Park for some fun activities. They enjoyed hugging a tree, climbing and sitting on a tree and they also planted a sapling. The children also made posters with nice messages.

Watch Video



#### **Abondoned Dog Rescue**



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Divya Puri from Karan Puri Foundation and Verhaen Khanna from New Delhi Nature Society rescued this German Shepard which was abandoned by somebody and was being attacked by other dogs on the main road. The dog was found with a plastic packaging ribbon tied extremely tightly around the neck which had cut through the flesh. He could not eat biscuits and was very dehydrated. He also had a big maggot wound behind the head. The dog is very friendly and was easy for us to rescue.

### Fire Fighting

Sweeper at Jungpura market set fire to all the plastic wrappers. While everybody looked at the fire and walked away, a volunteer from NDNS was able to extinguish the fire with water.



## <u>Superhero Kids Summer Camp</u>

Enroll your children for Superhero Kids Summer Camp this June.

- 5 weekends of fun and connecting with nature.
- 5 environmental NGO's will conduct specially curated workshops.
- 5 Greenzones of Delhi will be explored.
- \*Saturdays and Sundays 7-9 am, For Ages 7-14.

Cost: Rs 2500/- per child. Hurry! Limited seats available.

#### **Downed Communication**

Our primary communication device was no longer operational.

This severely effected our work throughout the month.

Thankfully now we have another device to work with.



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**Spot The Missing Tree** 

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Step 1: Build gate in front of tree. Step 2: Remove tree and bring a car.



The resident of this house renovated the building with a new gate in front of a healthy tree.

We informed the forest department to issue a restraining order last month when the tree had all its leaves and branches.

1 month later, the resident has removed the entire tree from its base, and also altered the footpath.

This has become a common practice in the city now and we have already reported several similar cases to the forest department.

The architects are not very bright and neither is the government department which authorizes such construction plans.

Please help us to save trees, write an email to the Environment Minister asking for steps tor steps to avoid such destruction to the environment. Write to senv@nic.in and CC to newdelhinaturesociety@gmail.com

### **NGT ORDER VIOLATION**

A Bhakti Sangeet event was organised at Nehru Park, where the NDMC allowed the event organisers to deface the trees.

The 3 day event allowed a direct violation of NGT court orders regarding tying and hanging things on trees.



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### **Airtel Damaging Healthy Trees**

Airtel India is busy damaging healthy trees (cutting roots) in Delhi which have been growing for decades.

Digging or construction within 1 meter of trees is illegal.



## **Delhi Eye Defacing Trees**

The giant wheel in Kalindi Kunj has been promoted with no parking signboards along with phone numbers, nailed to dozens of trees in NFC. After NDNS contacted them, the signboards were removed within 24 hours.



## Things to do, if a tree is being cut:

- Click pictures
- Tell them to stop immediately
- Ask them to show the Forest Department permission letter
- No permission, then Call 100 and wait till help arrives.
- Write a letter to the APCCF and CC to the DCF of your area.
- If they have permission, take the supervisors details who must be present there and contact the Forest Department.



Plants bleed at NDNS HQ after being cut violently by an unknown person.

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### **Booklet of Native Trees**

If you are trying to identify trees around your home or planning to plant some new trees, this is the best place to start.

This booklet covers 100 native trees of Delhi. Trees which are adapted to the environment, require minimum maintenance and sustain the wildlife. (Rs 50/-)



## **Buy Forever Plants**

Buy forever plants from NDNS. These plants can outlive you and all your future generations if it is well taken care of. (Rs 100/-)

When you buy from NDNS, you are supporting our environmental conservation work.



## A sip of Nature

Enjoy beverages in your very own NDNS. (Rs 300/-)





#### **Volunteer / Intern at NDNS**

- Protect the environment
- Join the growing NDNS team
- Email your CV to newdelhinaturesociety@gmail.com

## **COOL BAGS for Cool People**



**New Cool Bag Designs** 

Fits in your pocket easily. Carry your laptop or groceries. Buy 5 cloth bags for just Rs 200/-Plastic bags are out of fashion.

Order now: 9711115666



## **DONATE to NDNS**

**Bank Details:** 

**Account: New Delhi Nature Society** Account number: 918020010738403

IFSC: UTIB0001326

Bank Address: Axis Bank, Shop no 6,

**Ground Floor and Basement,** 

**Community Center, New Delhi 110025** 



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### **De-Choke Trees**

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The Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in its order dated 23rd April 2013 has directed all Public Authorities to ensure that all the sign boards, names, advertisements, any kind of boards or signage's, electric wires and high tension cables or otherwise are removed from the trees.

They shall also ensure that the concrete surrounding the trees within one meter of the trees are removed and all the trees are looked after well and due precaution is taken in future so that no concrete or construction or repairing work is done at least within one meter radius of the trunk of trees.

#### Delhi Preservation of Trees Act, 1994

Click here for the NGT Order
Click here for the Public Notice

#### **Website to Contact the Forest Department:**

http://delhi.gov.in/wps/wcm/connect/DOIT Forest/for est/home/rti/directory+of+officer+and+employees

#### CLICK HERE FOR THE COURT ORDER ON PLASTIC BAN



Maybe your company has some CSR funds.

Maybe you want to support <u>New Delhi Nature Society.</u>

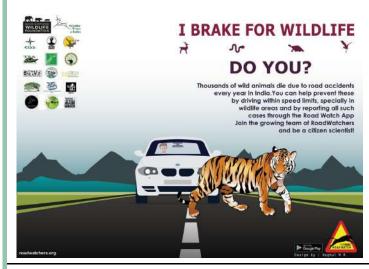
Maybe your investment can save trees, animals and make the world a better place.

## Sign Up 🖋

Click the Sign Up button and fill up your details to receive regular updates about NDNS activities.

You can also ask your like minded friends to sign up this form.

### Roadwatch App



# SOS NUMBERS FOR TREES AND ANIMALS



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NDNS - 9711115666

Fauna Police - 9212111116

Give Me Trees Trust - 8800326033

Wildlife Rescue - 9810129698, 9810639698

People For Animals - 011 23719293 / 9294.

For Cows -

Love for cow Trust - 9818434399

Doctor for cow - 9650048826

Dhyan Foundation - 9999099423

Kamdhenu Mangal Parivaar

(Free 24×7 Cow Ambulance with doctor on board) -

7503777888, 9911002200

<u>Please Read the helpful documents</u> <u>on the Animal Welfare Board of India website:</u> <u>https://awbi.org/</u>

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