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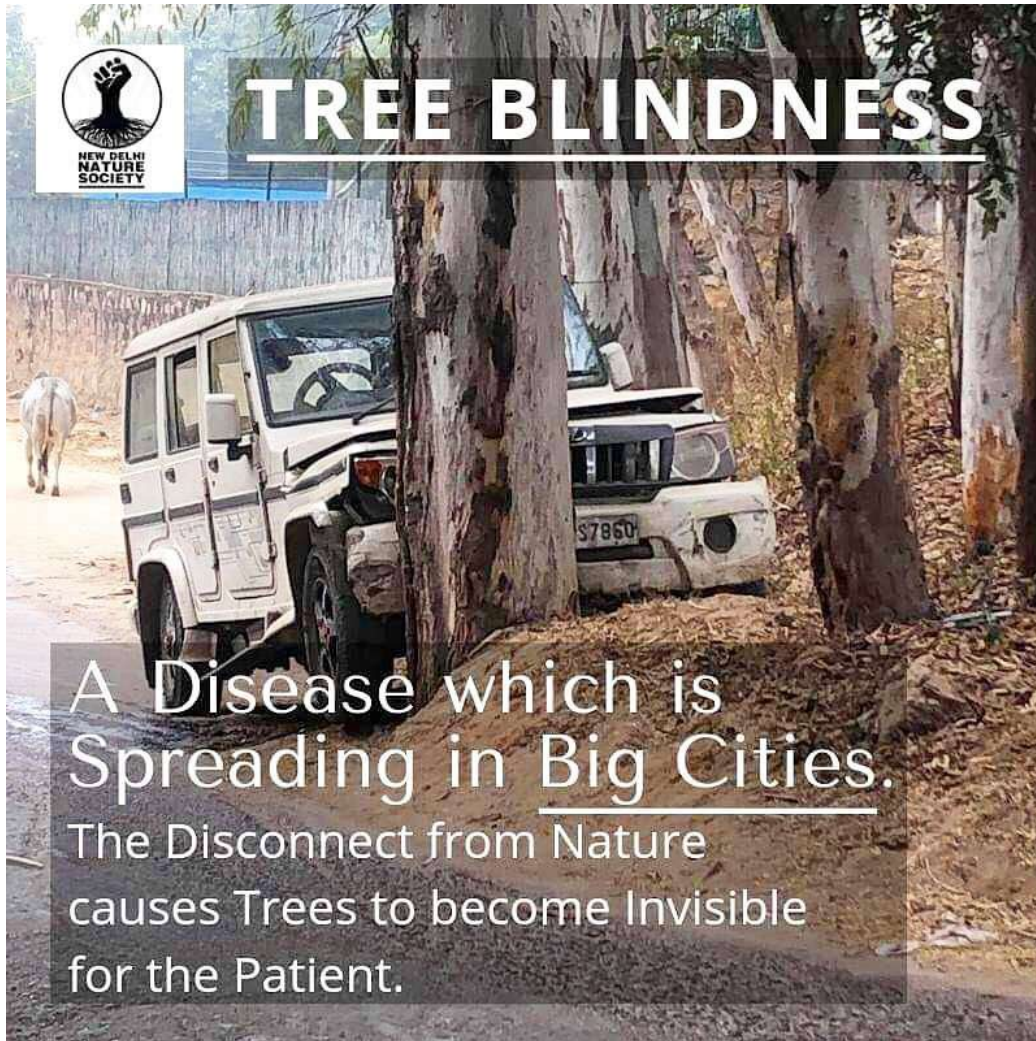
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Gaia-2019 Hindu College



“Gaia-2019” was organised by Earthlings - The Wildlife Society of Hindu College.

The event comprised of :- A talk on “Wildlife Conservation in India” By Prof. S D Biju, Dr. Surya Prakash, Mr. Abhishek Narayanan, Ms. Radhika Suri. A workshop on “Compassion for Animals” by Mr. Verhaen Khanna, Founder, New Delhi Nature Society. “Wildclicks” The Wildlife photography Exhibition. Thaumovore - The Wildlife Quiz. Game Zone and Volunteers Stall - WWF India @ Hindu College, University of Delhi

Healing Forest

[Click here to TELEPORT to this location](#)



Healing Forest Walk with Nitin Das at Sanjay Van was an amazing experience.
A group of nature lovers enjoyed the blessings of the forest during a 2 day program.
The forest has healing powers.



Experience Forest Healing

3rd February 2019

4:00 - 6:00pm

Sanjay Van

Qutub Institutional Area

Whatsapp / Paytm : 9711115666

Indian Express

"Trees were being cut, branches were being lopped off to set the steel curtain... permission for the same requires a supervisor to be present, but there was none. We got the tree-cutting stopped since no supervisor was there, but the demolition continued," said Verhaen Khanna, founder of the New Delhi Nature Society.

[\(Click here to read the full article\)](#)



[‘Demolition on at Sarojini Nagar despite HC stay’ - The New Indian Express \(Click here\)](#)

[Green activists go to cops over NBCC ‘violations’ - The Times Of India \(Click here\)](#)

The Patriot

If we start removing all the non-human living creatures out of our lives, including animals, insects, trees and so forth, then we might as well live on the moon. But we cannot, because there is no ecosystem or atmosphere, biodiversity or food cycle, which is all important. If we mess with nature, we will have to pay for it.

Verhaen Khanna is a commercial pilot and also an environmental activist. He is the founder of the New Delhi Nature Society

[\(Click here to read the full article\)](#)



The Wire

India's Urban Redevelopment Is in the Hands of One Monopolistic Company

[Read Full Article - Click Here](#)

Economic and Political Weekly

A National Law for Urban Trees
by Ritwick Dutta

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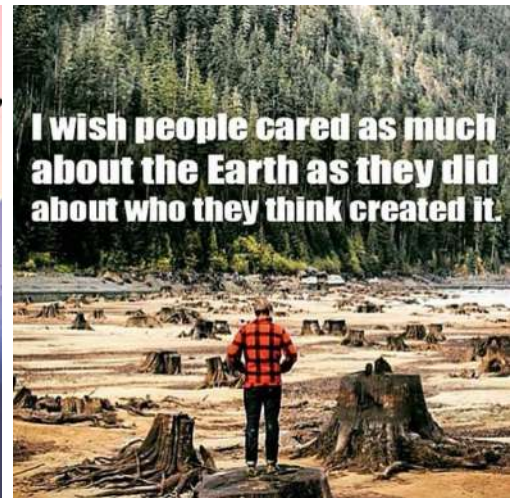
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**PROTECT
THE FORESTS
AS IF YOUR
LIFE DEPENDS
ON THEM.
IT DOES.**

**WE CAN'T PROTECT A SPECIES
UNLESS WE PROTECT ITS HABITAT.
MOST OFTEN THIS MEANS
PROTECTING A FOREST.**



**I wish people cared as much
about the Earth as they did
about who they think created it.**



18 UN raises questions on India's forest cover data

India submitted data to access funds meant for climate change, but it lacked transparency, clarity

DIFFERING FOREST-COVER DATA

(in square kilometers)

Year	Original state of forest reports, as included in subsequent report	Subsided government in 2007	In latest report to UN
2000	675,531	675,531	675,531
2002	675,531	675,531	675,531
2004	675,531	675,531	675,531
2006	675,531	675,531	675,531
2008	675,531	675,531	675,531
2010	675,531	675,531	675,531
2012	675,531	675,531	675,531
2014	675,531	675,531	675,531
2016	675,531	675,531	675,531
2018	675,531	675,531	675,531

Report to the UN

As a first step towards accessing the potential fund flows under REDD+, countries are required to set a baseline level of greenhouse gas emissions being emitted due to deforestation or prevented from escaping into the atmosphere by conserving and growing forests. This is referred to as the Forest Reference Level or FRL.

It is this FRL report to the UN, containing data on changes to the forest cover and consequent greenhouse gas emissions, that came in under criticism. India submitted forest cover and forest cover change data on three occasions — 2000, 2004 and 2008. Based on these data points, the government projected the level of greenhouse gas emissions it is preventing from escaping into the atmosphere annually. But the UN found its data questionable, lacking transparency and not in accordance with the UN regulations.

Responding to the FRL report India submitted, the UN expert panel asked the data had been generated. Based on these queries, the Indian government revised its submission but it has still fallen short of the levels of transparency UN asked for, records show. The experts in their review have concluded, 'The data and information used by India in constructing its FRL are partially transparent and not complete and therefore not fully in accordance with the guidelines contained in the UN decisions.'

Detailing the reasons it believed that India had not been completely transparent with its data, the experts said, 'The wealth of information and data available in the country was not properly made available for the reproduction of the FRL and suggested that India either download the information from external server or provide links to the relevant publications for easy and public access. India indicated in the modified submission that all relevant documents are publicly available, but no explicit information was provided on how to access the data and/or information. The assessment team feels that the absence of this information in the modified submission does not allow for the reconstruction of the FRL, thus compromising the completeness of the submission.'

The nature of these international reviews under the UN does not permit a more probing inquiry by the experts. They are not allowed to look for evidence of data beyond that provided by country representatives. The Indian government did not submit links to the State of Forest Reports to the experts. It is in the biennially produced State of Forest Reports that the government originally cites the forest cover data.

[Read complete story on the issue standard.com](#)



Sanjay Van Nilgai Abducted and Dumped at Asola



This Nilgai was peacefully enjoying life so some dangerous humans (Sarvodaya Enclave RWA) decided to call WildlifeSOS to remove it.

Born and raised in Sanjay Van (1km away) but abducted and thrown at Asola, Tughlakabad (20km away).

Asola wildlife park turns into dumping ground for animals picked up from across Delhi

- India Today - [Click Here](#)

Increasing incidents of roadkill at Asola Bhatti Sanctuary

- Times of India - [Click Here](#)

Leopard spotted near Asola forest on Delhi's outskirts, locals to be alerted

- Hindustan Times - [Click Here](#)

Farm Fest 2019 - Edible Routes (17 Feb 10am to 5pm)

There will be lots of fun activities including various hands-on gardening workshops both for adults and kids, food stalls serving organic nutritious food, tree climbing, farmer's market and an opportunity to meet Delhi's growing an urban farming community.

Pay in advance: INR 250

Walk-in: INR 500 (includes all activities)

Contact : 9811071751



SUPPORT ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION

WHAT DOES NEW DELHI NATURE SOCIETY DO ?

Stop
Illegal
Tree Felling

Rescue
Existing
Trees

Planting
Native
Trees

Animals
Rescue
Rehab
Release

Extinguish
Garbage
Fires

Spread
Nature
Awareness

We DONT receive Government Funding or CSR Funds

Contribute towards protecting the environment.
Axis Bank, New Delhi Nature Society,
Account: 91820010738403. IFSC: UTIB0001326

Waste to Energy Plant - South Delhi

Many residents of Sukhdev Vihar and surrounding colonies protested against the Waste to Energy plant which has built a new chimney to increase the garbage burning operation. Ash from the plant has found its way to peoples homes since it is only 30 meters away. The plant is surrounded by residential homes, hospitals, schools and colleges.



[How Delhi's waste-to-energy plants are way off the mark \(Click here\)](#)

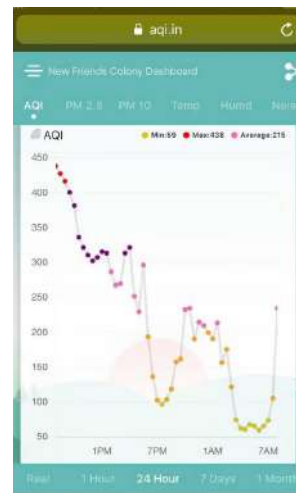
[Waste-to-Energy plants that use solid waste as feedstock pose threat to environment \(Click Here\)](#)

[4 more waste-to-energy plants in Delhi, corporations say city of two crore people has no option \(Click Here\)](#)



Pollution in Delhi

One heavy shower managed to bring the severe air pollution of Delhi down to 80aqi. 2 hours after the rain stopped, the pollution level went back up to 330aqi. Pollution should be controlled at the source.



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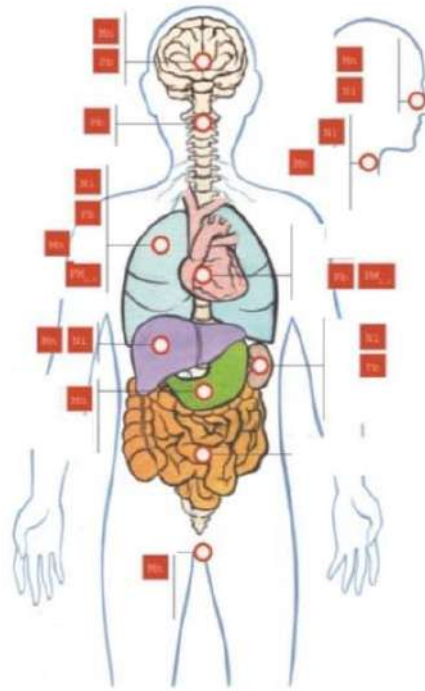
Death in Every Breath

Care about air pollution much?

You must read this report by Lung Care Foundation ✓

Samples of air taken from #DelhiNCR reveal presence of alarming levels of many toxic heavy metals such as manganese, nickel & lead in addition to the excess PM2.5.

HEALTH IMPACTS



- LEAD**
Exposure to lead can result in brain swelling, kidney disease, cardiovascular problems, nervous system damage, and death. It is accepted that there is no safe level of lead exposure, particularly for children.
- MANGANESE**
Long-term exposure can cause permanent brain damage. Inhalation irritates nose, throat and lungs, causing coughing, wheezing and shortness of breath. May cause harm to the liver and testes and decrease fertility in males.
- NICKEL**
Inhalation can irritate and damage the nose, throat and lungs. Acute exposure can cause headache, dizziness, nausea and vomiting. Nickel is a probable carcinogen for lung cancer. It can cause chronic bronchitis and scarring of the lungs. Long-term exposure may harm liver and kidneys.
- PM2.5**
Particles less than 2.5mm can lodge deep in the lungs and cause premature death, as well as lung and heart disease, decreased lung function, asthma attacks, heart attacks and cardiac arrhythmia.

[Read Full Report by Lung Care Foundation](#)

[Better not to be in Delhi.. it is like a gas chamber: Supreme Court \(Click Here\)](#)

[Dirty air: how India became the most polluted country on earth](#)

[Carbon "A Powerful Short" \(Watch Film\)](#)



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 .

ALL TREES MATTER

Important news articles (Click below to open)

[Butterfly in the Storm - BY RADHIKA BHAGAT](#)

[Teen Inspires Youth Demonstrations Across Europe, Demanding Action On Climate Change](#)

[Thousands of Students in Belgium Skip School to Protest Climate Change](#)

[3-Year-Old Boy Missing for Days in Freezing Weather Says a Bear Kept Him Safe](#)

[Fishing trawler with dead sharks seized in Odisha](#)

[15 out, 485 more to go: Crocodiles removed for seaplane to Unity statue](#)

[Gujarat: Crocodiles near Patel statue being relocated to make way for seaplane service, says report](#)

[300 Crocodiles Being Lured into Metal Cages and Relocated from Statue of Unity to Make Way for Seaplane Service](#)

[Elephants have first right on forest, says SC while ordering demolition of Numaligarh Refinery wall](#)

[2 nursing students arrested in Kolkata for killing 16 puppies](#)

[Sing for the Trees on International Women's Day 2019 - Invitation](#)

[Why Kids Need Wilderness And Adventure More Than Ever](#)

Jane Goodall Full Video



David Attenborough Full Video



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/-)



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- Join the growing NDNS team
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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

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/forest/home/rti/directory+of+officer+and+employees



Maybe your company has some CSR funds.

Maybe you want to support [New Delhi Nature Society](#).

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



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 24x7 Cow Ambulance with doctor on board) -

7503777888, 9911002200

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

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