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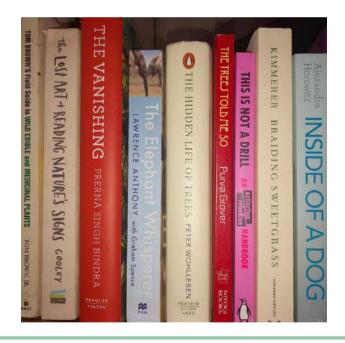


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सीमेंट हटाओ, पेड़ बचाओ | De-choke Trees to Save Humans

We finally managed to initiate the dechoking of trees in Niti Bagh.

Trees need open soil space to expand and for water to reach the roots.

Acc. to NGT order, all trees should have minimum of 1 meter of open soil space. View the NGT order here

Click a picture of a cemented tree in Delhi and send an email with the exact location. To: dcfpmgnctd@gmail.com, dcfhqgnctd@gmail.com CC: senv@nic.in, cfdelhigovt@gmail.com, newdelhinaturesociety@gmail.com



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A short PSA to #savetrees by deconcretising them.

WATCH VIDEO

Underprivileged children of "Under the Tree School" in GK1, enjoyed a nature workshop conducted by our volunteer, Miss Khushi Sehgal. The bright young children learned names of trees and played games to learn how to segregate waste. They also made art using natural materials found in the park. NDNS gifted bird badges to all the children.





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Trucks, Auto Rickshaws, Vans etc., roam inside the restricted area of Okhla Bird Sanctuary.

Usually even cycles are not allowed in this area, but for a religious festival, all rules were broken to damage the protected environment of the bird sanctuary. In the picture below you can also see a big fire, which is also a violation of the NGT order which says Rs 5000/-penalty for burning leaves. Do non-human lives matter?







Meanwhile...

Saptaparni trees shower #Delhi with beautiful fragrant flowers.

#Trees are alive, cutting living trees is murder.

They are literally expressing themselves with flowers, "look at me, I'm alive".







Delhi Monuments Disappear in Air Pollution









PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

ENVIRONMENT POLLUTION (PREVENTION & CONTROL) AUTHORITY for the National Capital Region

Chairman

EPCA-R/2019/L-53

November 01, 2019

Dear Madam.

Urgent directions regarding GRAP

The air quality Delhi and NCR has deteriorated further as of last night and is now at the Severe+ level. We have to take this as a public health emergency as air pollution is now hazardous and will have adverse health impacts on all, but particularly our children. As I have explained in my letter of October 31, 2019, current air quality is a combination of the accumulated toxins because of local pollution, which was further spiked because of cracker burning on Diwali night, combined with stubble burning and extremely adverse weather. The IMD informs us that the weather will improve in the next few days, but it is difficult to say if this improvement will lead to substantial reduction in pollution.

In this circumstance, we are constrained to take further measures to combat this pollution, over the above the measures that have already directed. These measures are as follows and you are requested to direct immediate compliance with these:

- Construction activities in Delhi, Faridabad, Gurugram, Ghaziabad, Noida and Greater Noida to remain closed till morning of November 5, 2019 (current ban on construction was only 6 PM to 6 AM and this is now extended to be complete banned till Monday, November 5, 2019, morning).
- Hot mix plants, stone crushers to be closed till morning of November 5, 2019 in all NCR districts (current ban is on operation between 6:00 PM to 6:00 AM).
- All coul and other fuel based industries, which have not shifted to natural gas or All coal and other fuel based industries, which have not sanited to instirat gas origor-residue (with exemption to power-plants) to remain closed in Faridabad, Gurugram, Ghaziabad, Noida, Greater Noida, Sonepat, Panipat and Bahadurgarh, Bhiwadi till morning of November 5, 2019. In Delhi industries, which have not yet shifted to PNG to remain closed during till morning of November 5, 2019.
- Cracker burning is completely banned for this entire winter period. We note that
 there are festivals coming and given the experience over Diwali, when in spite of all
 efforts, cracker burning was extremely high and led to accumulation of toxins in the air,
 this measure is needed.

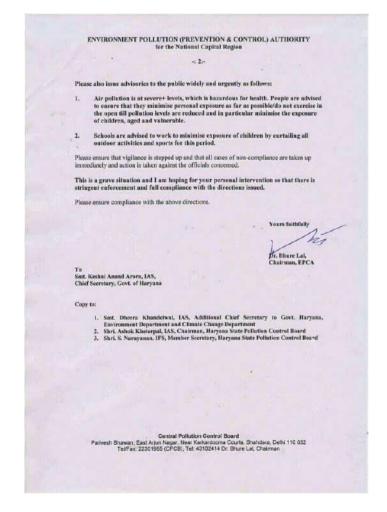
This is in addition to the directions already issued on October 7, 25, 31, 2019. The list of currently issued directions is given below for your easy review and action.

Furthermore, as I have stated in my previous correspondence, it is imperative that we take urgent steps to stop local sources of pollution, as this will only add to the already polluted air. This requires stringent vigilance and punitive action against all cases of local pollution, from plastic and garbage burning to dust pollution. I am also constrained to say that in spite of all our efforts, there are still many instances of local pollution and therefore, enforcement needs to be stepped up further.

Central Pollution Control Board

Parivesh Bhawan, East Arjun Nagar, Near Karkardooma Courts, Shahdara, Delhi 110 032

TellFax: 22301955 (CPCB), Tel: 43102414 Dr. Bhure Lai, Chairman



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COMEDY WEB SERIES: Dilli Man - Pollution Ka Solution

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64% Trees Relocated to Aarey Dead:

Why Did Transplantation Fail?

"Why cut down trees when you can transplant them elsewhere", was what the social media was abuzz with, when protests took over the streets of Mumbai over felling of trees in Aarey Milk Colony a few months ago. As many as 461 trees were to be transplanted from Aarey for the Metro 3 Project by the Mumbai Metro Rail Corporation Limited (MMRCL).

TREES TRANSPLANTED
FOR METRO 3 PROJECT

Total number if trees transplanted 1,582
Trees that have died 1,010

Total number of trees transplanted inside Aarey 1,066
Trees that have died inside Aarey 684

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'Not a single tree leaf will be cut': Uddhav Thackeray announces stay on Aarey metro project

Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray on Friday announced stay on construction of metro car shed project in the city's green lung Aarey Colony, where protests were held last month against cutting of trees for the work.



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Story of Bengalurian- who has recharged more than 1 lakh Wells in the city

Meet water activist and urban planner Vishwanath Srikantaiah. Hailing from Bengaluru, he not only has a strategy to save the city from this upcoming severe water scarcity but has also started executing the plans to perfection and has also achieved some great success.

Vishwanath has been working really hard and smart as a team with local communities and until now has recharged 1 lakh wells and made 10,000 wells functional.



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The planet doesn't need money, it needs behavioural change: Sonam Wangchuk

Sonam Wangchuk has stopped ironing his clothes. This renowned innovator and Magsaysay Award-winning environmentalist feels smart crease is an indulgence one can do without in order to help the planet.

As he says, the power saved from ironing his clothes could power four rural households.

The co-founder of Himalayan Institute of Alternatives, Ladakh, believes that as his homeland enters a new phase as Union Territory, it will need sensitive handling because solutions made in New Delhi often do not work in the fragile ecosystem of the trans Himalayan land.



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Historical city of Venice, Italy is experiencing record breaking high tide right now, causing flooding across the city.

Mayor of the city directly blames Climate Change for it.

Rising sea levels will be a direct effect of climate change.

Meanwhile, in Australia ...











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Important articles (click to open)

DELHI

Public Health Emergency Declared in Delhi as Air Quality Breaches Danger Level

Children made to run for unity in hazardous Delhi air

Delhiites queue up at hospitals with respiratory issues

Devotees Stand Knee-Deep In Toxic Foam In Delhi's Yamuna For Chhath Puja

Delhi air pollution: Supreme Court orders Punjab and Haryana to immediately stop stubble burning

Delhi's toxic politicians must be held to account for this deadly pollution

For clean air, Delhi must look beyond just man-made solutions

High-level panel meet to discuss Delhi pollution cancelled as only four of 29 MPs turn up

Pollution pods at UN Climate summit give visitors feel of Delhi smog

Delhi struggles to breathe as air pollution hits year's worst levels

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Industries won't need NOC from Departments of Pollution, Labour, Industry in Delhi: Javadekar

Children in Delhi smoke 10 cigarettes a day just by breathing

Delhiites may lose 17 years of their lives due to air pollution, finds study

INDIA

Maharashtra Government Hands Over Aarey Colony To Be Turned Into A Zoo By BMC

Flouting Epca ban, hot-mix plants used for road work in G Noida

People begin to collapse as air quality deteriorates in Lucknow

Pray to Lord Indra to check pollution, says UP minister Sunil Bharala

Thousands of migratory birds die mysteriously in Rajasthan's Sambhar Lake

6 days after its capture, elephant dies at Assam training facility

In A First, Uttarakhand Police Recruit Street Dog In Sniffer Squad

Kochi's natural assets map gives a glimpse of city's ecological strengths

Mangroves Saved Hundreds Of Lives In Odisha & West Bengal During Cyclone Bulbul

Kerala Makes Planting Two Mango Or Jackfruit Trees Mandatory To Get A House Registered!

SC asks states why they should not be made liable to compensate for bad air quallity

Bhopal family replaces wedding cards with potted plants

64,000 Trees To Be Felled In Lucknow For Defence Expo

WORLD

Have humans fucked it all up? A Deep ecology perspective with John Seed

Children need an hour of nature time each day, says Wildlife Trusts

Atlanta Turns 7 Acres Of Vacant Land Into The Largest Free Food Forest In The Country

Lewis the Koala, Who Drew Worldwide Attention After Rescue, Has Tragically Died

Owl Mistakes Duck Egg For Its Own And Ends Up Raising It Anyway

Volunteer divers just pulled 3200 pounds of garbage off the ocean floor of Florida's Deerfield Beach.

Researchers from the Yale School of Public Health in the US showed that air pollution causes reduction in intelligence.

Research Has Found That People Who Talk To Pets Are Smarter Than Those Who Don't

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.
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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.

CLICK HERE for NGT ORDER FOR DE-CHOKING TREES

NAILS, WIRES, CEMENT (10,000 RS. FINE)

DELHI PRESERVATION OF TREES ACT, 1994

DELHI FLORA IDENTIFICATION FORUM (Facebook)



For queries regarding CSR, please contact New Delhi Nature Society at info@ndns.in

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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 - 7503777888, 9911002200

WHAT TO DO IF A TREE IS **BEING CUT**

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

TO CONTACT THE FOREST DEPARTMENT

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CC to: senv@nic.in minlawtpt.delhi@nic.in





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