



The Times of Nature

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

www.ndns.in

Issue #58

Page 1



April 2022

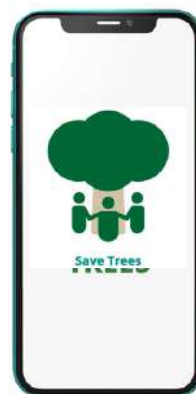
ORGANISE FUN NATURE ACTIVITIES

Want to beat the heat?
Spend time under the trees.



[Donate to NDNS](#)

Donations are eligible for tax exemption



Save Trees App

- Want to save a tree?
- Don't know where trees are in danger?
- Use the Save Trees App to connect with people who want to save trees.
- Please [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

[Download](#)

[Save Trees App:](#)

[Coming soon on](#)



We would love to know how you feel about our work for nature conservation.

SEND FEEDBACK

Index

Support NDNS	Pg 2
Rescueds + Tree identification	Pg 3
Farm Visit	Pg 4
Ambedkar University Excursion	Pg 5
Tree Climbing Workshop	Pg 6
NDNS Feedback + Joanne da Cunha	Pg 7
Tweets	Pg 8
Media Coverage + Important Articles	Pg 9

Tree Card game + Cloth Bags	Pg 10
Bird Badges, Mugs, Aloe, Tree Booklet	Pg 11
Membership, Library, Hiring	Pg 12
SOS, CSR, Previous Newsletters	Pg 13

NDNS Needs Your Help

New Delhi Nature Society has helped to save numerous trees and animals across the capital over the years. Every day we get calls from different parts of the city, where people request us for assistance. Animals need to be rescued, trees need to be saved, and we have to attend meetings to revive water bodies and survey biodiversity parks, etc. We need to conduct site inspections regularly. A lot of our fieldwork is directly related to our litigation for environment conservation. For all this work we need to have a mode of conveyance, and sometimes we are left helpless and stranded since our organization does not own any vehicle at the moment.

We are reaching out to all our supporters for some help to get our first vehicle. So, if you can help us with an old vehicle which is in good working condition, or help us to raise funds to buy a new vehicle, then it would greatly help in our work. We require a large vehicle which will be very helpful to travel with animals, also it can be helpful to save a fallen tree. We require an SUV so that we can access all terrains in and around the city.

If we get a single donor, their name / donating company name will be printed on the sides of the vehicle. If multiple donors can contribute funds for a new vehicle, our organization will issue an 80G receipt for the donors. For more information, please contact us at newdelhinaturesociety@gmail.com.

Bank Details : Account: New Delhi Nature Society

Account number: 918020010738403

IFSC: UTIB0001326



Rescues of the Month



Tree Identification



Tota



Palash

Farm Visit

Several families visited the farm with their children of all ages.

The kids really enjoyed picking vegetables from the ground and fruit from the trees.

We also climbed a tree and setup bird houses around the farm.

It was a great experience for everybody.

Please get in touch if you want to bring your group.

[Watch Video](#)



Terra - AUD - Okhla Bird Sanctuary.

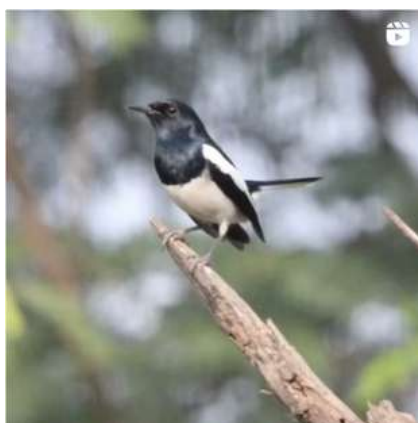
Many students from Ambedkar University visited Okhla Bird Sanctuary with New Delhi Nature Society.

The young bright minds enjoyed the experience of spotting and identifying birds in the wild.

Please click the links below to watch the videos.



[Watch Video](#)



[Watch Video](#)



[Watch Video](#)



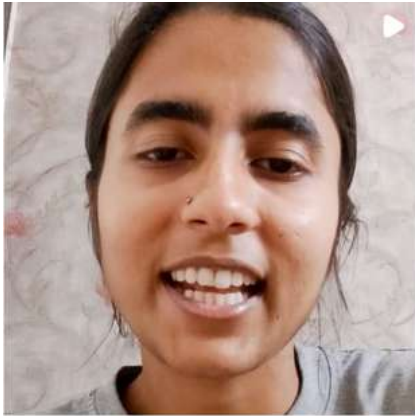
Tree Climbing workshop for children

A group of young parents organized a tree climbing workshop for their children. The children learnt how to identify several trees at the President's Estate. They also climbed multiple mango trees at the venue. The program started with a nature walk. It was a fun evening for everybody.



Feedback about NDNS walks

NDNS conducted a series of nature walks called the 'Green Zones of Delhi'. Checkout what the participants had to say about their experience.



[Watch Video](#)



[Watch Video](#)



[Watch Video](#)



[Watch Video](#)



EXPERIENCE

[Watch Video](#)



[Watch Video](#)

Collaboration with Joanne da Cunha

Actor, Singer, and Model, Joanne da Cunha was very kind to help us on 2 separate occasions this month.

1 video is an interview with NDNS founder Verhaen Khanna on the occasion of Earth day, The 2nd video is regarding World Health Day.



[Watch Video](#)



[Watch Video](#)

Tweets



Did you know that under the shade of trees we don't require an a/c?

[Click here to check it out](#)



3000 trees to be killed in South Delhi

[Click here to check it out](#)



Compensatory Plantation Scam

[Click here to check it out](#)



Volcano in Delhi - Bhalswa Landfill on fire

[Click here to check it out](#)



Motorcycle is understanding the tree

[Click here to check it out](#)



The Times of Nature

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Page 9

April 2022

MEDIA COVERAGE

New Indian Express

12 LEISURE

THE SUNDAY STANDARD • NEW DELHI • SUNDAY • 17 APRIL 2022

epaper.morningstandard.in

Spotlight

DEALING A LOCAL HAND

These game creators have made purpose-driven playing cards to educate people about Indian politics, nature and geography

ANJANI CHADHA

MOST 90s kids often riff on childhood memories about spending hours out-ranking opponents—usually a family member or a friend—in a game of WWE SuperCards or even Uno. A game of playing cards is often an enjoyable recreation in Indian households to help families unwind after a tiring day. A few homegrown game creators have given this activity an (Indian) creative spin by custom-making a few card games to give them an entertaining and educational edge.

A political twist

By providing details of 100 Members of Parliament (MPs), Mantri Cards introduces the gamer to Indian politics and helps create awareness about those who run the government. "The last two elections have been very polarising and it is getting even worse because of social media and how we receive information. We, thus, started to explore a channel that can give unbiased information," shares Anuja Pitre (32) from Mumbai who created this game in early 2020.

Their deck of 108 cards includes 100 cards on Members of Parliament with details—educational qualifications, criminal cases if any, their assets and liabilities, etc.—about the candidates from the 17th Lok Sabha elections as well as eight unique power cards that can alter game play. Talking about the process of choosing the represented mantris (politicians) and creating this game, Pitre explains, "[While making the game] we made sure that all states were represented; the ratio of parties in the Lok Sabha is almost identical in our deck. The male-female ratio has been taken care of as well to give an accurate representation of the Lok Sabha." The information displayed on these cards has been sourced from the Election Commission of India's website with inputs from the open data depository platform, MyNeta. info, and PRS Legislative Research, a non-profit. Mantri Cards attempts to not only provide information about our politicians but also cultivate curiosity about our political system and spark discussions about the same.

The natural take

The green havens in Delhi have a variety of fauna but unfortunately the information citizens have on them is extremely limited. "Delhi Trees Card Game" by New Delhi Nature Society (NDNS), New Friends Colony offers a fun and informative outlet to learn about one's surroundings, with a focus on the trees around us. "In our childhood, we played trump cards that featured cars, bikes, wrestlers. I thought it would make a great medium to teach people about the trees in their surroundings. Children would get to learn the names and how to identify these trees," shares Verhaen Khanna, founder of NDNS and creator of the game.

Delhi Trees Card Game—it is created with the help of filmmaker and environmentalist Pradip Kr. Isha's book *The Trees of Delhi: A Field Guide*—consists of 60 cards. Each card displays the name and photograph of a certain tree species found in Delhi, along with its height and leaf size. The cards are also ranked based on this; the higher numbers outrank lower ones. The game, which was launched in early 2021, has received a positive response from nature enthusiasts.

Know basic geography

A number of people have considered geography a boring subject in school. Memorising capitals of countries, marking rivers and mountains on maps, and getting an insight into seasons might seem like mundane activities. In pursuit of making this subject interesting, Priyanka Prabhakar (34), co-founder of Kulkaji-based Coco Moco Kids, has created a card game that will help one learn about countries all while having fun. The deck of 50 cards has details of the happiness index, population ranking, and area index of countries—the higher figures win. Additionally, a card also contains other relevant details about a country to help one learn more about a place without having to pay much attention.

"Geography is really boring and theory based in school, and we built an aversion to the subject. Our game doesn't give out the messages that you are learning, it is just about having fun."

Clockwise from left: A family enjoying a card game; friends playing with Mantri Cards; a few cards from a pack of 'Delhi Trees Card Game'; a set of Mantri cards; (Below) a set of geography cards by Coco Moco Kids

[Click here for the full story.](#)

IMPORTANT ARTICLES

Hindustan Times

Park cars in shade.
What shade ?
1 tree cut every hour in Delhi.

[Click here for the full story.](#)



The Times of Nature

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Page 10

April 2022

DELHI TREES CARD GAME

A New Delhi Nature Society creation
Suitable for 2-6 players.
Great for all ages.

Get your pack just for Rs 200/-

ORDER NOW!!!



CLOTH BAGS

New Delhi Nature Society Cloth Bags

Size - 15 X 15 inches

5 assorted bags for Rs 200/-
ORDER NOW!!!

[Click here to watch video](#)



The Times of Nature

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

April 2022

Birds of Delhi Badges (Rs50)



Aloe Vera Plant (Rs 100)



Native Trees of Delhi Booklet (Rs 50)



NDNS Coffee Mugs (Rs 250)



Volunteer / Intern at NDNS

- Protect the environment
- Join the growing NDNS team
- Email your CV to info@ndns.in

Contribute to NDNS

Bank Details :

Account: New Delhi Nature Society

Account number: 918020010738403

IFSC: UTIB0001326

 Pay  : 9711115666

NDNS Membership

We are excited to offer you an NDNS Membership.

Your membership will help to protect the environment. You will enjoy special packages and benefits for members.

We look forward to your participation.

[Click here to Sign Up](#)



Donate a book to the NDNS library

THANK YOU to all the amazing people who have donated nature-related books towards the #newdelhinaturesociety library.

You can also donate books to NDNS and help build the library.

Visit our website for more details: www.ndns.in



We're Hiring!

We are looking for candidates interested in an Internship and/or full-time work. We have multiple projects which we are working on.

Send your CV to us at newdelhinaturesociety@gmail.com to apply.



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.

[NAILS, WIRES \(10,000 RS. FINE\)](#)

[NGT ORDER FOR DE-CHOKING TREES](#)

[DELHI PRESERVATION OF TREES ACT](#)



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

SOS NUMBERS (TREES AND ANIMALS)

- NDNS - 9711115666
- Wildlife Rescue - 9810129698, 9810639698
- People For Animals - 011 23719293 / 9294.
- For Cows - Dhyan Foundation - 9999099423

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.
- Report the matter on the Green Helpline -1800118600
- Write a letter to the Forest Department
- If they do have permission, then take the supervisor's details who must be present there and contact the Forest Department .

FOREST DEPARTMENT

dcfhqgnctd@gmail.com
dcfpmgnctd@gmail.com
pccfgnctd@gmail.com

[Sign Up](#)

Fill up your details to receive regular updates about NDNS activities.



[Previous Newsletters](#)

[Click HERE!](#)