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April Schedule

Date	Activity
01/04/2023	Clean-Up Drive
02/04/2023	Digital Detox at Green Vibes Farm, Chattarpur
08/04/2023	Clean-Up Drive
09/04/2023	Nature Walk at Lodhi Garden
15/04/2023	Mitti Bowl Distribution Drive
16/04/2023	Nature Walk at Sunder Nursery
22/04/2023	Earth Day Event- Climate Change Strike
23/04/2023	Training Activity
29/04/2023	Upcycling Workshop
30/04/2023	Mystery Event

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Please wait for shade under new trees

PWD planted hundreds of trees on Mathura road, near Nizamuddin and Sundar Nagar because of a case in the Delhi High Court where the PWD damaged 30+ trees in Lodhi Colony due to trenching within 1m of trees.

The height of the native trees planted is above 10 ft.

100's of large beautiful trees thriving with wildlife were felled on Mathura road near Sundar Nagar a few years back. Hopefully, this afforestation can bring back the beauty even if it takes a few decades.

Wildlife Habitat Restoration

New Delhi Nature Society organised clean-up drives at the Butterfly Park, Saket, as a new initiative, wherein with the help of many enthusiastic volunteers we were able to remove a substantial amount of garbage from the area. Clean-up drives are a crucial aspect of maintaining a healthy and sustainable environment. When waste and litter accumulate in public spaces, it not only creates an eyesore but also poses a threat to the health and safety of people and wildlife. The initiative demonstrates the power of collective action when it comes to addressing environmental concerns, and highlights the importance of community involvement in preserving and protecting our natural spaces.



[Video 1](#)



[Video 2](#)

The Green Delhi Quest



New Delhi Nature Society recently organized the Green Delhi Quest, an exciting competition aimed at promoting environmental awareness and exploring the Green Zones of Delhi. The event attracted participants from all over the city who were eager to showcase their knowledge of the environment and their ability to navigate through the green spaces of the capital.

The competition was held over the course of one day, with each team starting from Sanjay Lake and working their way towards the finish line. The teams were given a set amount of time to complete the challenges, with the first team to complete all the challenges being declared the winner.

The event was a great opportunity for participants to learn about the environment and explore the green spaces of Delhi. It also helped to promote awareness about environmental issues and the importance of taking action to preserve the environment.

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Golden Jubilee, Zoology Department, Hindu College



Mr. Verhaen Khanna, the founder of the New Delhi Nature Society, was invited as one of the Guests of Honor at the 50th - anniversary celebration of the Zoology department of Hindu College. The event took place on March 16th, 2023, and was attended by students, faculty members, and esteemed guests.

Mr. Khanna and Dr. Faiyaz Khudsar, the Director of the Yamuna Biodiversity Park inaugurated the butterfly park at Hindu College. The butterfly park is an initiative by the Zoology Department of Hindu College and is aimed at creating awareness about the importance of preserving the habitat of butterflies and other pollinators. The park has been designed to provide a conducive environment for butterflies and to create a unique learning experience for students.

The event was a huge success, and the audience was left inspired by Mr. Khanna's words and the efforts of the New Delhi Nature Society. The initiative of creating a butterfly park at Hindu College is a step towards creating a more sustainable future, and it is hoped that it will inspire other institutions and individuals to take up similar initiatives.



Mitti Bowl Distribution with Jägermeister India



New Delhi Nature Society, in collaboration with Jägermeister India, distributed 200 Clay bowls for free in Connaught place. The event aimed to provide animals and birds in the area with access to water during the hot summer months. People were encouraged to put water in them and keep them outside their homes for the animals.

Overall, the summer clay bowl distribution event was a fantastic opportunity for the New Delhi Nature Society and Jägermeister India to collaborate and support animal welfare in the area. The success of the event shows that small acts of kindness can make a big difference in the lives of animals, and we hope to continue organizing similar events in the future.

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NDNS Stall - Hindu College & Cambridge School

New Delhi Nature Society set up a stall at Hindu College, University of Delhi. The stall was set up to raise awareness about animal welfare and environmental conservation and to encourage students to take small steps to protect the environment. We distributed mitti bowls for free, which students could use to keep water for animals. Additionally, students made postcards for the forest department, and there were many exciting games at the stall, which students thoroughly enjoyed.

The use of mitti bowls proved to be a great success as it was an eco-friendly alternative to plastic bowls. Additionally, the activity of making postcards and playing games on the stall made the event engaging and enjoyable for the students.

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The event was a great success at Cambridge School, New Friends Colony as well. NDNS set up a stall on the school's report card day. Many students showed enthusiasm towards environmental conservation and took part in making postcards and supporting NDNS. New Delhi Nature Society hopes to continue working with educational institutions to raise awareness about environmental issues and animal welfare.

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Postcards Campaign

Students send postcards to forest dept to save trees

Priyangi Agarwal
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New Delhi: "Five trees are cut per hour in Delhi; save trees, protect environment....the city is gasping for air; tree means life; and my nani planted a tree but it has now been felled"—these are some of the messages written in postcards sent by students to the forest department to save trees. Over 200 postcards were sent on Friday and more will follow by the next week.

Verhaen Khanna, founder of New Delhi Nature Society, said, "We started the postcard campaign to create awareness among students about the environment and the role of trees in our lives. We got a very good response from school and college students who were excited to fill these cards. Many students made beautiful drawings along with their messages."

Khanna added that the NGO would continue to reach out to students in future to send more postcards. "We also informed students about the department's green helpline through which they can lodge a complaint if any tree felling happens anywhere in Delhi."

Most students requested forest officials to stop tree felling, while some requested

them to plant more trees in one of the most polluted cities in the world. A few students wrote motivating words that they are with the forest department and it should continue its drive to save the environment. Most of the postcards are addressed to the chief conservator of forests while some students wrote to the respective deputy conservator of forests in their localities.

Some students also took a vow to protect trees. "To make a change, I swear to save the environment," read a postcard. Aparna wrote, "We often see in our neighbourhood

that all of a sudden, a fully-grown tree is cut for construction of buildings or different projects. Trees play a very important role and we should take efforts to save them. We should avoid felling of trees."

Deepanshu Raj requested the department to take a look "at the dreadful and deteriorating condition of the nature and take some urgent and serious measures for its conservation". Another student warned if steps aren't taken, it would be too late to even take any. "We look forward for some legitimate policy to restrict the cutting of trees. Green Delhi, Happy Delhi."



GREEN LETTER DAY

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New Delhi Nature Society organised a postcard-making event at schools and colleges in Delhi and encouraged students to make thoughtful and unique postcards with impactful messages for the forest department to urge them to save and conserve trees. The objective of the event was to encourage students to think about the environment and to inspire them to take action to protect it. By making postcards about saving trees, the students were able to express their creativity while also learning about the importance of trees to our ecosystem.

Students participated in this postcard-making event in large numbers and it was inspiring to see how passionate the youth is about protecting the environment. The students were enthusiastic about this activity, and many of them spent time making creative and thoughtful postcards. After the students finished making their postcards, they were collected and sent to the forest department and our story was published in the Times of India.

Bhalswa Project



The New Delhi Nature Society (NDNS) has taken up a new project to make Bhalswa of Delhi greener in the 'Hawa Light Kar Challenge', an initiative by Chintan Environmental Research and Action Group in collaboration with Swechha. This project is aimed at transforming one of the largest slums in Delhi into a green haven. NDNS applied to Chintan for a grant and our project was approved for Rs 1,50,000/-. The entire NDNS team is committed to this project and is working towards making it a success.

The primary objective of the Bhalswa project is to make the area greener and for this NDNS will be implementing various plans like Green Roofs, Vertical gardens, Plantation of Native Trees and Composting. The project will focus on planting trees, food and flowers to make the area more beautiful and vibrant. This will improve the quality of life of the people living in the area and help reduce pollution levels.

Dead fish in Sanjay Lake



Recently, dead fish were found on the side of Sanjay Lake in Delhi, India, likely due to the ongoing renovation of the lake. The authorities have plans to further alter the lake's surroundings by concretizing the mud jogging track. This decision has sparked concern among some who argue that synthetic tiles are not necessarily better than natural Indian soil. It remains to be seen how these changes will impact the ecosystem of the lake and its surrounding environment.

Nature Walk at Aravalli Biodiversity Park

New Delhi Nature Society organized a nature walk for students passionate about nature at Aravalli Biodiversity Park. This event aimed to promote environmental awareness, appreciate nature and encourage the younger generation to take an active role in preserving our planet's natural resources. The students were taken to two sunrise points. At these points, they observed various species of birds and native flora and fauna. They were amazed to see the Palash tree, commonly known as the Flame of the Forest, in full bloom, which is a sight to behold. The students were educated on the various species of birds, and the role they play in the ecosystem.

It was heartening to see the student's enthusiasm toward nature and their contribution to the environment. One of the students had made a robot that could plant trees, and another student had created a video game aimed at saving trees. Such innovations and creativity toward environmental conservation are highly commendable and should be encouraged. The students thoroughly enjoyed the nature walk and were impressed to know about the different plants and their medicinal properties. They appreciated the knowledge shared by the experts present during the event. They were enthusiastic about the idea of starting their website to spread awareness about environmental conservation.

The event's primary objective was met, and the students left with an increased appreciation for nature and a deeper understanding of the importance of environmental conservation. The passion and creativity displayed by the students are highly commendable, and it is essential to encourage and nurture such efforts. It is hoped that such initiatives will inspire others to take up the cause of environmental conservation and work towards a sustainable future.



Digital Detox



New Delhi Nature Society recently organized a unique event called "Digital Detox," where participants were encouraged to disconnect from their gadgets and reconnect with nature. The event was held on a beautiful, serene farm located on the outskirts of Delhi. During the six-hour event, participants engaged in various activities to experience the beauty and tranquillity of nature.

The Digital Detox event began with a nature walk, and they were shown different types of plants, trees, and wildlife. We also taught the participants how to identify different species and their uses. After the walk, the participants engaged in various fun activities such as climbing trees, playing games, and exploring the farm. These activities helped them to connect with nature and feel more relaxed. The participants were also allowed to harvest their food, some of which was prepared later and enjoyed by all.

The Digital Detox event had a profound impact on the participants. Many of them reported feeling more relaxed, peaceful, and connected to nature. They also noticed that they were more present and engaged in the moment, without the constant distractions of technology.

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NATURE TALKS PODCAST

The Nature Talks Podcast was recently launched, and it has quickly become a must-listen for anyone interested in nature stories. Hosted by Verhaen Khanna, the founder of the New Delhi Nature Society, the podcast focuses on stories from Delhi and around the world that celebrate the beauty of nature. The podcast has already featured several people from different fields, including scientists, artists, and nature enthusiasts, all sharing their perspectives on nature and the importance of preserving it.

Since its launch in February, the Nature Talks Podcast has published 20+ episodes, each one offering a unique perspective on nature. Some episodes feature interviews with experts, where they share their knowledge and experiences, while others focus on specific topics, such as wildlife conservation or the benefits of spending time in nature. In addition, the podcast features music from various artists, providing a unique listening experience that is both informative and entertaining.

If you want to join the conversation and learn more about the natural world, we invite you to check out the Nature Talks Podcast. It is available on Spotify, Anchor.fm, Castbox, and several other platforms. We encourage you to subscribe, give us a rating, drop comments, and share it with your friends. We are also looking for more musicians and experts from various fields to feature on the show, so if you have a story to share or know someone who does, please reach out to us. Don't miss out on this exciting new podcast that celebrates nature in all its forms! Click on the link below to listen to the podcast.

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NEW BLOG



Today, climate change is a global issue that affects every living being on this planet. It has become increasingly clear that we need to take urgent and meaningful action to reduce its effects. While governments, corporations, and international organizations have a significant role to play in tackling climate change, public participation is also crucial.

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Interns of the month



Miss Akansha Gupta



Miss Ananya Singh



Below are a few tweets from the month of February about important nature-related stories from our @NDN_HQ page. Please click on the links to open the tweets and learn more about these fascinating topics. Our Twitter page is a great way to stay up-to-date with the latest news and events related to nature and conservation, so be sure to follow us for more updates!

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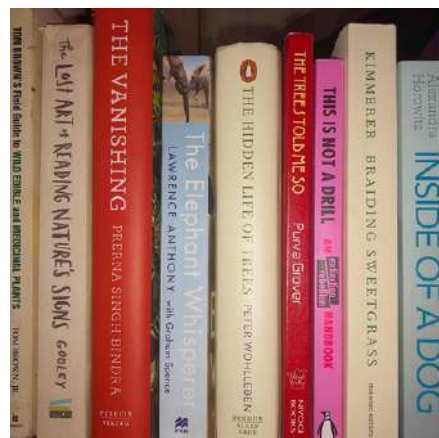
We are thrilled to offer you the opportunity to become a member of the New Delhi Nature Society (NDNS). As a member, you will play a critical role in helping to protect the environment and support our mission of creating a sustainable future for all. In addition to making a meaningful impact, you will also enjoy special packages and benefits exclusively available to members. We look forward to your participation and thank you for your support!

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We're Hiring!

We are currently seeking candidates who are interested in an internship and/or full-time work with our organization. We have multiple ongoing projects that require dedicated and passionate individuals who are eager to make a positive impact on the environment. If you are interested in joining our team, please fill out the application form to apply. We look forward to hearing from you!

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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.

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- People For Animals - 011 23719293 / 9294.
- For Cows - Dhyani Foundation - 9999099423

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