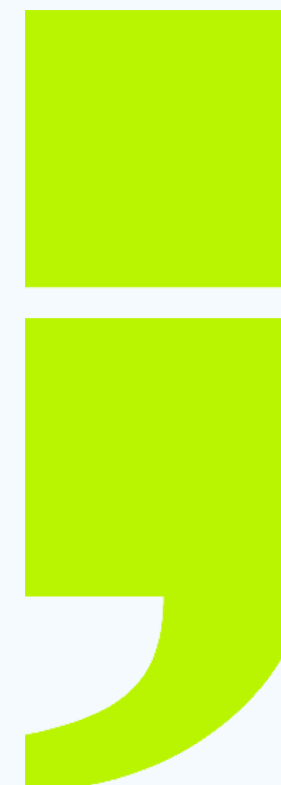


# Sustainable Solutions for a Brighter Tomorrow



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Annual Report  
2023-24



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## Executive Summary

### Empowering Progress, Enhancing Impact

This report highlights HandsOnCSR's achievements, challenges, and future directions, showcasing our commitment to transformative community development and sustainable impact.

## Executive Summary

### Empowering Progress, Enhancing Impact

HandsOnCSR by That's Eco Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to engaging businesses to make effective physical and financial investments in social projects, ensuring improved company performance and stakeholders' welfare. We serve as a trusted implementing agency for Corporate/Citizen Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, partnering with businesses and individuals to create positive social and environmental impact.

#### **Building on Success:**

In 2023-24, we achieved significant milestones in our CSR implementation work. This summary highlights our key accomplishments:

**Impactful Partnerships:** We partnered with 21 corporates/citizens on 30 distinct CSR programs. Beneficiaries cannot be measured solely in numerical terms; they encompass individuals from various walks of life within society at large.

**Programmatic Focus:** Our CSR programs addressed critical areas such as environment, water conservation, education, and community development.

**Measurable Outcomes:** We delivered measurable results, including increased access to education, reduced environmental footprint, restoring 12-plus water bodies, and planting around 3500+ saplings.

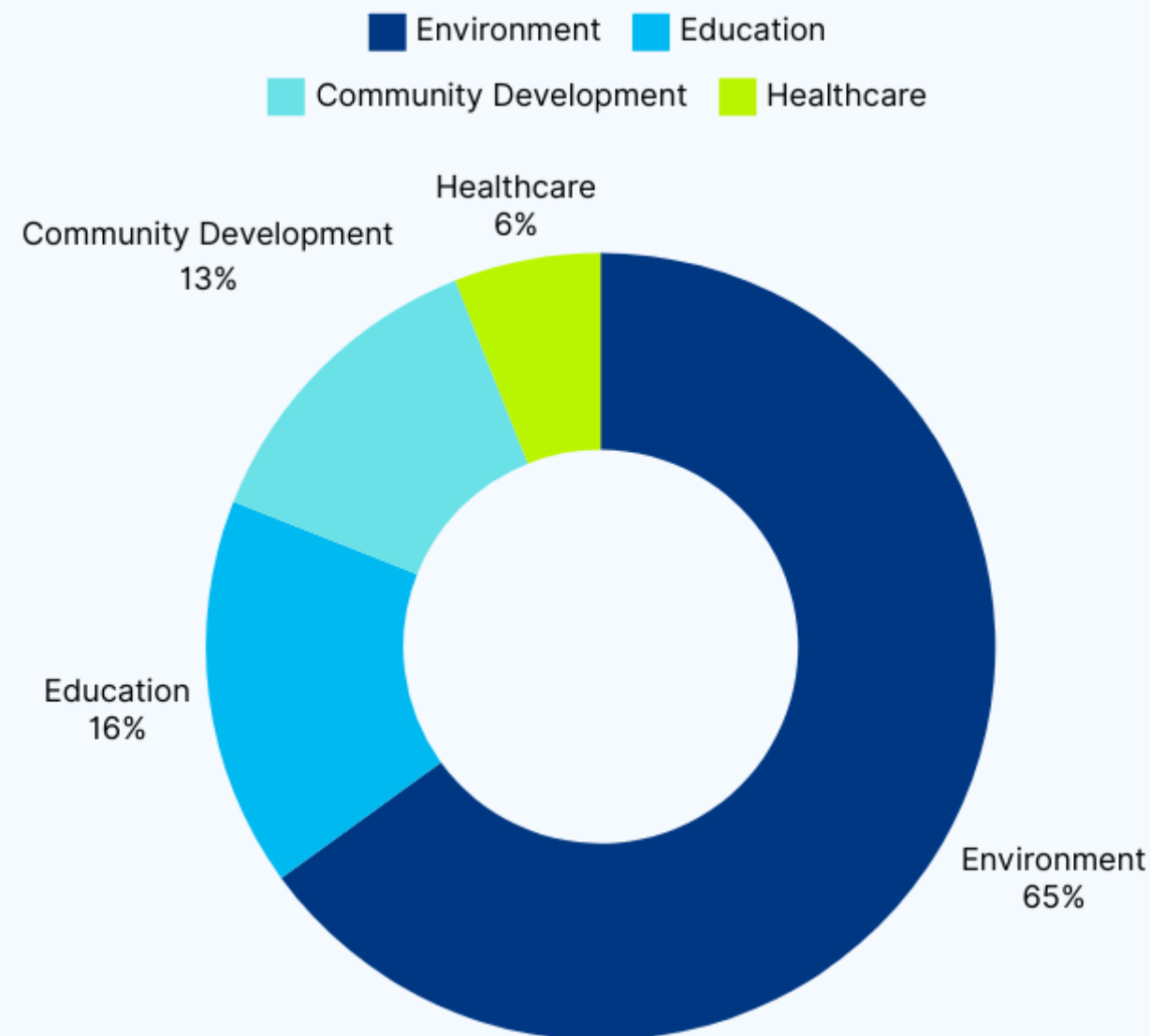
**Volunteer Engagement:** We mobilized around 372 volunteers who contributed 1492 volunteering hours to our CSR initiatives.

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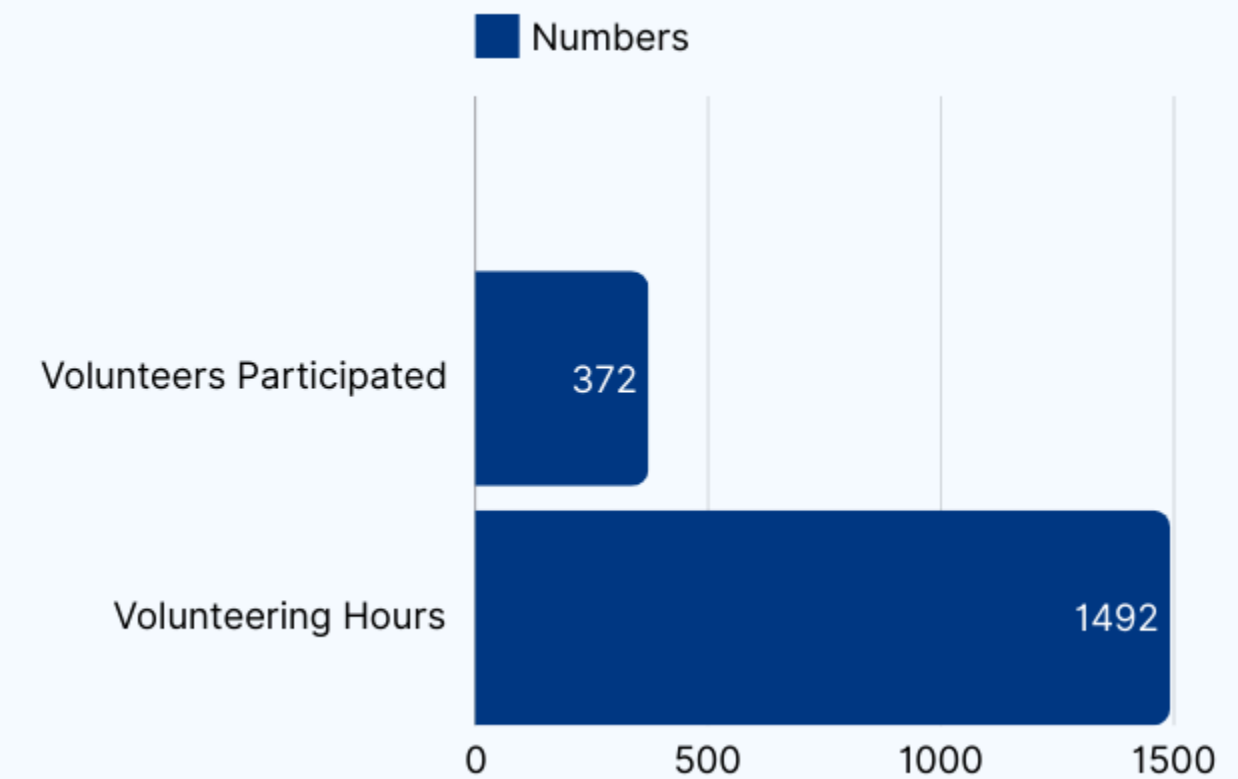
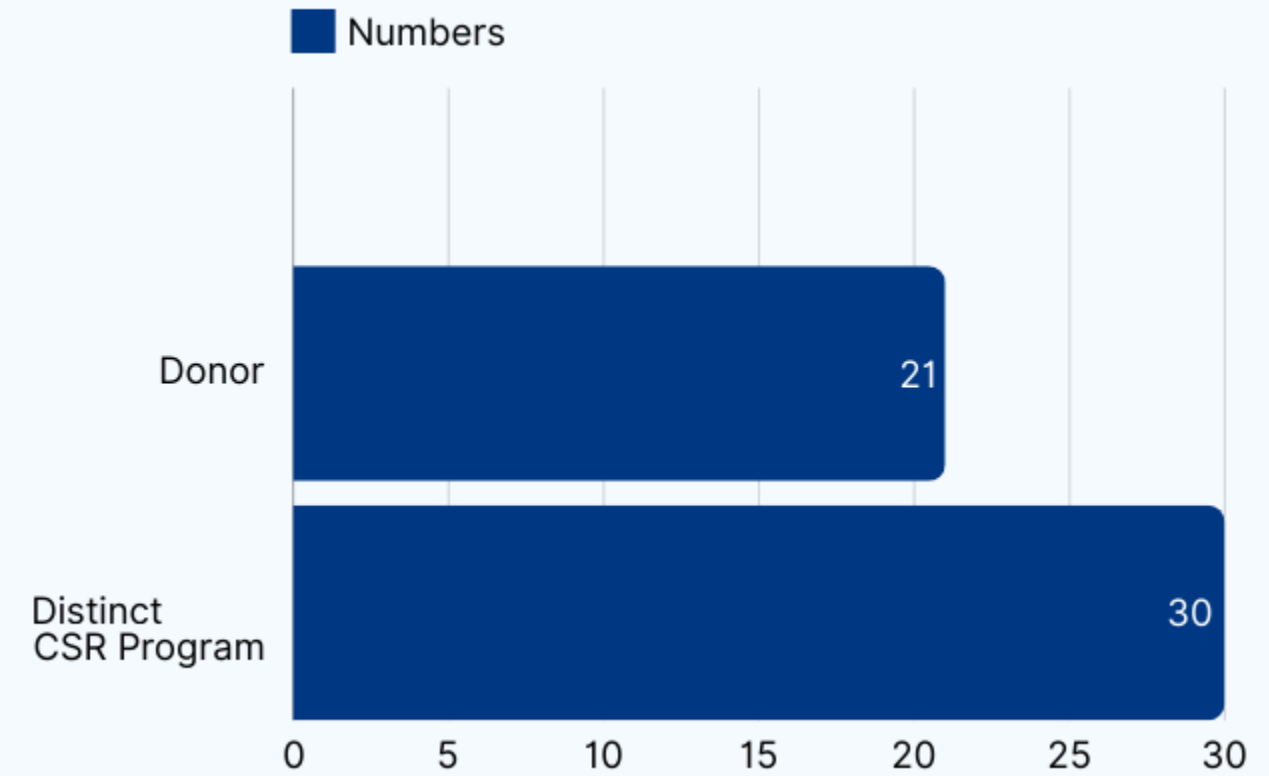
## Empowering Progress, Enhancing Impact

**Visuals to describe the year:** The following charts highlight HandsOnCSR's achievements, showcasing our commitment to transformative community development and sustainable impact.

### Initiatives In Different Areas



### Overview Of 2023-24



## ಕೆರೆಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಿಸದಿದ್ದರೆ ನೀರಿಗೆ ತೊಂದರೆ

■ ವಿಜಯವಾಣಿ ಸುದ್ದಿಜಾಲ ನಂಜನಗೂಡು

ಬಕಾರ್ಡ್ ಮಾರ್ಟಿನಿ ಕಂಪನಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನವನ್ನು ಬಳಸಿ ಅರಸನಕೆರೆ ಎಂದೇ ಪ್ರಸಿದ್ಧಿ ಪಡೆದಿರುವ ನರಸಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೆರೆ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ಶ್ಲಾಘನೀಯ. ರೈತರು ಕೆರೆಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮಾಡುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಇದರ ಸದುಪಯೋಗ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಚಿನ್ನದಗುಡಿಹುಂಡಿ ಬಳಿ ಬಕಾರ್ಡ್ ಕಂಪನಿ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನದಿಂದ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಮಾಡಿರುವ (11 ಎಕರೆ ಪ್ರದೇಶ)ನರಸಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಶುಕ್ರವಾರ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ಇಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆರೆಗಳು ನಾಶವಾಗುತ್ತಿರುವ ಕಾರಣ ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಮಟ್ಟ ಕುಸಿಯುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಇದರಿಂದ ಮಳೆಯಿಲ್ಲದೆ ಭೂಮಿಯನ್ನು ಆಳಕ್ಕೆ ಅಗೆದರೂ ನೀರು ದೊರಕುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಕೆರೆಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಮುಂದಾಗದಿದ್ದರೆ ನಮಗೆ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರಿಗೂ ತೊಂದರೆ ಎದುರಾಗಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಕೆರೆಗಳು ತುಂಬುವುದರಿಂದ ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ, ಜೀವ ವೈವಿಧ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಿಸುವ ಜತೆಗೆ ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಎಲ್ಲರೂ ಕೆರೆ ಕಟ್ಟಿಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮೂಲಕ ಪರಿಸರವನ್ನು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಿಸಲು ಮುಂದಾಗಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆಯ ಹೂಳು ತೆಗೆದು ಮೊದಲನೇ ಭಾಗವನ್ನು ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರಗೊಳಿಸಿ ಗ್ರಾಮಸ್ಥರಿಗೆ ಅನುಕೂಲ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ. ಈ ಭಾಗದ ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಗಳು ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನವನ್ನು ಬಳಕೆ ಮಾಡಿ ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಕೆಲಸಗಳನ್ನು



ನಂಜನಗೂಡು ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಚಿನ್ನದಗುಡಿಹುಂಡಿ ಬಳಿ ಬಕಾರ್ಡ್ ಕಂಪನಿಯು ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ನರಸಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿ ವೀಕ್ಷಿಸಿದರು. ಕುರಹಟ್ಟಿ ಮಹೇಶ್, ಶ್ರೀಕಂಠನಾಯಕ, ಪ್ರದೀಪ್‌ಕುಮಾರ್ ಇತರರಿದ್ದರು.

ಮಾಡಲು ಮುಂದಾಗಬೇಕು. ಕಾಡಂಚಿನ ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳ ಶಾಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮೂಲಸೌಕರ್ಯದ ಕೊರತೆಯಿದೆ. ಅಂತಹ ಶಾಲೆಗಳಿಗೆ ಅಗತ್ಯ ಸೌಕರ್ಯ ಕಲ್ಪಿಸಿಕೊಡಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಮನವಿ ಮಾಡಿದರು. ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಕುರಹಟ್ಟಿ ಮಹೇಶ್, ಶ್ರೀಕಂಠನಾಯಕ, ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ಪ್ರದೀಪ್ ಕುಮಾರ್, ಮುಖಂಡರಾದ ವಿಜಯ್‌ಕುಮಾರ್, ಶ್ರೀನಿವಾಸಮೂರ್ತಿ, ರಂಗದಾಸ್, ವಾಲೆ ನಾಗರಾಜು, ಕುಮಾರ್‌ಗೌಡ, ದೊರೆಸ್ವಾಮಿ ನಾಯಕ, ಗ್ರಾಪಂ ಸದಸ್ಯ ಶಿವಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಕಂಪನಿ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಮುತ್ತುಕುಮಾರ್, ಹ್ಯಾಂಡ್ಸ್ ಆನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಗುರುನಂದನ್, ಹರ್ಷತೇಜ್ ಇತರರಿದ್ದರು.

ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ನಮ್ಮ ಧರ್ಮ, ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಹೆಸರಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಕೃತಿ ನಾಶ ನೀಡಿದೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಪೂರ್ವಜರು ನಮ್ಮ ಹೊಣೆಗಾರಿಕೆ ಎಂಬುವುದನ್ನು ನರಸಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೆರೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಜೀವಕಳೆ ಮರೆತು ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನ, ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಹೆಸರಿ ತುಂಬಿ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಜತೆಗೆ ನಿಂದ ಪ್ರಕೃತಿಯ ನಾಶಕ್ಕೆ ಮುಂದಾಗಿರುವುದು ಕಳವಳಕಾರಿ ಸಂಗತಿ ಎಂದು ಮೈಸೂರು ಒಡೆಯರ್ ವಂಶಸ್ಥ ಯದು ವೀರ್ ಕೃಷ್ಣದತ್ತ ಚಾಮರಾಜ ಒಡೆಯರ್ ವಿಷಾದಿಸಿದರು. ತಾಲೂಕಿನ ಚಿನ್ನದಗುಡಿಹುಂಡಿ ಬಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಕಾರ್ಡ್ ಕಂಪನಿಯು ನರಸಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಮಾಡಿರುವ ಸ್ಥಳಕ್ಕೆ ಗುರುವಾರ ಭೇಟಿ ನೀಡಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ ಅವರು, ಮೈಸೂರು ಸಂಸ್ಥಾನ, ನಮ್ಮ ಪೂರ್ವಜರು ಹಿಂದಿನಿಂದಲೂ ಪರಿಸರ, ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಆದ್ಯತೆ

ನೀಡಿದೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ಪೂರ್ವಜರು ನರಸಾಂಬುಧಿ ಕೆರೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಜೀವಕಳೆ ತುಂಬಿ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಜತೆಗೆ

ಈ ಭಾಗದ ರೈತರ ಬದುಕಿಗೂ ಆಸರೆಯಾಗಿದ್ದರು. ಈ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಭದ್ರತಾ ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿಯನ್ನು ನೇಮಿಸಿದ್ದರು ಎಂದು ಸ್ಮರಿಸಿದರು.

ಹ್ಯಾಂಡ್ಸ್ ಆನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಗುರುನಂದನ್ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, ಸುಮಾರು 900 ಎಕರೆ ಪ್ರದೇಶವಿರುವ ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಪಡಿಸುವ ಉದ್ದೇಶದಿಂದ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ನಡೆಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಮೊದಲಿಗೆ ಸುಮಾರು 11 ಎಕರೆ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆರೆಯ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಕೆಲಸಕ್ಕೆ ಮುಂದಾಗಿದ್ದೇವೆ ಎಂದರು.

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## ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರಗೊಂಡ ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆ ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆ

ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕಂಪನಿ ಕಾರ್ಯವನ್ನು ಶ್ಲಾಘಿಸಿದ ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ್

ನಂಜನಗೂಡು, ಜಿ.12- ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕಂಪನಿ ಯವರು ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಐತಿಹಾಸಿಕ ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆಯ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ಶ್ಲಾಘನೀಯ ಕೆಲಸವಾಗಿದೆ. ರೈತರು ಈ ಕೆರೆಯ ಸಂದರ್ಶಕ ಮಾಡುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಇದರ ಸುವರ್ಣೋತ್ಸವ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ್ ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ಶಾಲಾಕನ ಚಿನ್ನದಗುಡಿ ಹುಂಡಿ ಬಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕಂಪನಿಯವರು ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನ ಬಳಸಿ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಅರಸನಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿ ಅವರು ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ನಮ್ಮ ಹಿರಿಯರು ಜಮೀನುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆ ನೀರು ನಿಲ್ಲಲು ಒಡ್ಡುಗಳನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಊರಿಗೊಂದು ಕೆರೆ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಇಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆರೆಗಳು ನಾಶವಾಗುತ್ತಿರುವ ಕಾರಣ ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಮಟ್ಟ ಕುಸಿಯುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಇದರಿಂದ ಇಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆಯು ಬೀಳಿದ ಭೂಮಿ ಆಳಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗದೂ ಸಹ ನೀರು ದೊರಕುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಇನ್ನೂ ನಾವು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಕೆಯಿಂದ ಕೆರೆಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಮುಂದಾಗದಿದ್ದರೆ ನಮಗೆ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರಿಗೂ ತೊಂದರೆ ಎದುರಾಗಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಅವರು ಕಳವಳ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಪಡಿಸಿದರು.

ಕೆರೆ ತುಂಬುವುದರಿಂದ ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ, ಜೀವ ವೈವಿಧ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಿಸುವುದರ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಈ ಭಾಗದ ರೈತರ ಜಮೀನುಗಳಿಗೆ ನೀರು ದೊರಕಿ ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗಲಿದೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಎಲ್ಲರೂ ಕೆರೆ ಕಟ್ಟಿ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮೂಲಕ ಪರಿಸರವನ್ನು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಿಸಲು ಮುಂದಾಗಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕಂಪನಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನವನ್ನು ಬಳಸಿ ಈ ಐತಿಹಾಸಿಕ ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆಯ 11 ಎಕರೆ ಪ್ರದೇಶವನ್ನು ಹೊಳೆ ತೆಗೆದು ಹೊದಲಿಸಿ ಭಾಗವನ್ನು ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವುದನ್ನು ಶ್ಲಾಘಿಸಿದರು.



ನಂಜನಗೂಡು ಶಾಲಾಕನ ಚಿನ್ನದಗುಡಿಹುಂಡಿ ಬಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಅನುದಾನ ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನ ಬಳಸಿ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಅರಸನಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ್ ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿದರು.

ದ್ವಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿ ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಿ ಸುತ್ತಮುತ್ತಲಿನ ಗ್ರಾಮಸ್ಥರಿಗೆ ಅನುಕೂಲ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಟ್ಟಿದೆ. ಇನ್ನು ಲ್ಲದೆ ಭೂಮಿ ಆಳಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗದೂ ಸಹ ನೀರು ದೊರಕುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಇನ್ನೂ ನಾವು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಕೆಯಿಂದ ಕೆರೆಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಮುಂದಾಗದಿದ್ದರೆ ನಮಗೆ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರಿಗೂ ತೊಂದರೆ ಎದುರಾಗಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಅವರು ಕಳವಳ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಪಡಿಸಿದರು. ಕೆರೆ ತುಂಬುವುದರಿಂದ ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ, ಜೀವ ವೈವಿಧ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಿಸುವುದರ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿ ಈ ಭಾಗದ ರೈತರ ಜಮೀನುಗಳಿಗೆ ನೀರು ದೊರಕಿ ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗಲಿದೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಎಲ್ಲರೂ ಕೆರೆ ಕಟ್ಟಿ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮೂಲಕ ಪರಿಸರವನ್ನು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಿಸಲು ಮುಂದಾಗಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕಂಪನಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನವನ್ನು ಬಳಸಿ ಈ ಐತಿಹಾಸಿಕ ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆಯ 11 ಎಕರೆ ಪ್ರದೇಶವನ್ನು ಹೊಳೆ ತೆಗೆದು ಹೊದಲಿಸಿ ಭಾಗವನ್ನು ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವುದನ್ನು ಶ್ಲಾಘಿಸಿದರು.

ಮಾಜಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಶುಭಯ್ಯ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ ಕೆಲವು ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಗಳು ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನವನ್ನು ದುರ್ಬಳಕೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿವೆ ಎಂದರು. ಇದೇ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆ ಪಕ್ಕದಲ್ಲಿ

ಎಲ್‌ಆರ್‌ಎಫ್ ಭೂ ಸುಧಾರಣೆ ಕಾಯ್ದೆಯಡಿ ಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿರುವ ವೀರದೇವನಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ರೈತರ ಜಮೀನುಗಳನ್ನು ಪೋಡಿ ಮಾಡಿ ದುರಸ್ತಿಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ್ ಅವರಿಗೆ ವೀರದೇವನಪುರ ರೈತರು ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ಪ್ರದೀಪ್ ನೇತೃತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಮನವಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿದರು.

ಸಮಾರಂಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಬ್ಲಾಕ್ ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಕುರುಬ್ಬ ಮಮೇಶ್, ಶ್ರೀಕಂಠಾಯಕ, ಕಾಂಗ್ರೆಸ್ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ ಪ್ರದೀಪ್‌ಕುಮಾರ್, ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನ ಬಳಸಿ ಮೂಲಭೂತ ಸೌಕರ್ಯದ ಕೊರತೆಯಿದೆ. ಹಲವಾರು ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಗಳು ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನ ಬಳಸಿ ಮೂಲಭೂತ ಸೌಕರ್ಯ ಒದಗಿಸುವ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಆಗತ್ಯ ಪೀಠೋಪಕರಣಗಳನ್ನು ಕೊಡುಗೆಯಾಗಿ ನೀಡಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಮನವಿ ಮಾಡಿದರು.

ಮಾಜಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಶುಭಯ್ಯ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ ಕೆಲವು ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆಗಳು ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನವನ್ನು ದುರ್ಬಳಕೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿವೆ ಎಂದರು. ಇದೇ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅರಸನ ಕೆರೆ ಪಕ್ಕದಲ್ಲಿ

# ಕನ್ನಡಪ್ರಭ

## ಕೆರೆ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಸದುಪಯೋಗವಾಗಲಿ

ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ್ | ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನ ಬಳಸಿ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಅರಸನಕೆರೆ ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆ



ನಂಜನಗೂಡು ಶಾಲಾಕನ ಚಿನ್ನದಗುಡಿಹುಂಡಿ ಬಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಅನುದಾನ ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನ ಬಳಸಿ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಅರಸನಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ್ ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿದರು. ನಮ್ಮ ಹಿರಿಯರು ಜಮೀನುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆ ನೀರು ನಿಲ್ಲಲು ಒಡ್ಡುಗಳನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಊರಿಗೊಂದು ಕೆರೆ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಇಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆರೆಗಳು ನಾಶವಾಗುತ್ತಿರುವ ಕಾರಣ ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಮಟ್ಟ ಕುಸಿಯುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಇದರಿಂದ ಇಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆಯು ಬೀಳಿದ ಭೂಮಿ ಆಳಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗದೂ ಸಹ ನೀರು ದೊರಕುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಇನ್ನೂ ನಾವು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಕೆಯಿಂದ ಕೆರೆಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಮುಂದಾಗದಿದ್ದರೆ ನಮಗೆ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರಿಗೂ ತೊಂದರೆ ಎದುರಾಗಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಅವರು ಕಳವಳ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಪಡಿಸಿದರು.

### ಕೆರೆ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ಮಾರಕ: ಆರೋಪ



ನಂಜನಗೂಡು ಶಾಲಾಕನ ಚಿನ್ನದಗುಡಿಹುಂಡಿ ಬಳಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬಕಾರ್ಡಿ ಕೆರೆಗೆ ಅನುದಾನ ತಮ್ಮ ಸಿಎಸ್‌ಆರ್ ಅನುದಾನ ಬಳಸಿ ಜೀರ್ಣೋದ್ಧಾರ ಪಡಿಸಿರುವ ಅರಸನಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಶಾಸಕ ದರ್ಶನ್ ಧ್ರುವನಾರಾಯಣ್ ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿದರು. ನಮ್ಮ ಹಿರಿಯರು ಜಮೀನುಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆ ನೀರು ನಿಲ್ಲಲು ಒಡ್ಡುಗಳನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಊರಿಗೊಂದು ಕೆರೆ ನಿರ್ಮಿಸುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಇಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆರೆಗಳು ನಾಶವಾಗುತ್ತಿರುವ ಕಾರಣ ಅಂತರ್ಜಲ ಮಟ್ಟ ಕುಸಿಯುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಇದರಿಂದ ಇಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಮಳೆಯು ಬೀಳಿದ ಭೂಮಿ ಆಳಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗದೂ ಸಹ ನೀರು ದೊರಕುತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಇನ್ನೂ ನಾವು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಕೆಯಿಂದ ಕೆರೆಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಮುಂದಾಗದಿದ್ದರೆ ನಮಗೆ ಕುಡಿಯುವ ನೀರಿಗೂ ತೊಂದರೆ ಎದುರಾಗಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಅವರು ಕಳವಳ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಪಡಿಸಿದರು.

## ಸಂಯುಕ್ತ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ

### ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆ



ಸಂಯುಕ್ತ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆ ನೀಡುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ.

## ನಿಜವಿನಿ

### ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಆದ್ಯತೆ



ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಆದ್ಯತೆ ನೀಡುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ.

ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಆದ್ಯತೆ ನೀಡುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ.

## SBI donates ₹ 48L for saplings

Bengaluru : The State Bank of India (SBI) has planned to donate Rs 48 lakh to Garden City University for planting 32,000 tree saplings in Bengaluru in association with That's Eco Foundation. An MoU has also been signed between the three organisations. The project is being implemented using Miyawaki technique which helps in building dense and native forests. It ensures that the plant growth is 10 times faster and the resulting plantation is 30 times denser than usual. The dense multi-layered forests created under this method are beneficial in lowering temperature, supporting local wildlife and sequestration of carbon.

# ಕನ್ನಡಪ್ರಭ

## ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನ, ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಹೆಸರಿನಿಂದ ಪ್ರಕೃತಿ ನಾಶ



ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನ, ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಹೆಸರಿನಿಂದ ಪ್ರಕೃತಿ ನಾಶವಾಗುತ್ತಿರುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ. ಈ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯು ಸಸಿ ನೆಡಲು ಎಸ್‌ಬಿಐ ದೇಣಿಗೆಯನ್ನು ಸುಗಮಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಾಗಿ ಘೋಷಿಸಿದೆ.

## Letter From The Founder

### Reflections on Progress, Vision for the Future

Our Founder reflects on the past year's accomplishments, highlighting the organization's key milestones, partnerships, and the continued pursuit of excellence.





## Letter From The Founder

### Reflections on Progress, Vision for the Future

This moment in time has proven that when people work together, we can make a difference. I am inspired by our donors, partners, and associates who have raised the bar of social contribution in the past year. They have demonstrated resilience and dedication to the communities we serve.

Despite uncertainty around the globe, India's performance magnified and showed significant improvement. There was an unwavering commitment to our mission to lead positive systemic change that strengthens India and the communities that have fallen back.

The extraordinary generosity of our donors allowed us to meet the needs of vulnerable communities and fight climate change. The Foundation collaborated with advisors, donors and social leaders, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and philanthropic partners to deploy funds and resources for the greatest impact.

In addition to the extreme summers experienced by Karnataka, water scarcity put millions of lives at stake this year. Our efforts in water conservation were elevated a notch higher when we started doing the green school initiatives making government

residential schools in Karnataka completely run on solar power, 100% rainwater harvesting, and plantation of horticulture trees on the campus

This year has shown us that TEF members are resilient. I am proud to say that TEF has emerged stronger and remains even more committed to serving our communities at a time when the need is greatest.

TEF funded various sectors of society this year from lake restoration, supporting and strengthening health care facilities, and wildlife conservation to education for underprivileged students in rural Karnataka.

We were also able to fund short-term and long-term projects in each of the above sectors due to an outpouring of support from individuals on social media from around the country.

I invite you to learn more about our commitment to systematic change as we re-imagine a more equitable India and our stewardship of charitable funds through the stories featured in this year's annual report.

Thank you for inspiring us and for joining us in building TEF together.

**Gurunandan Rao M**  
**Founder and Treasurer**

# Who We Are

## Transforming Lives, Empowering Communities

Discover our mission, vision, and services, underpinned by transparency, professionalism, and collaboration, driving sustainable development and positive change.

HandsOnCSR by That's Eco Foundation has focused on bridging developmental gaps through environmental, healthcare, community, and education initiatives. Committed to transparent, impactful project management, we work closely with underprivileged communities to address urgent needs, fostering self-sustaining ecosystems. Partnering with individuals and businesses, we prioritize accountability, providing regular reports on fund use. Join us in building a sustainable, impactful future.

### **Vision:**

Creating eco systems of sustainable change.

### **Mission :**

To engage businesses with making effective physical and financial investments in social projects, thereby ensuring improved company performance and stakeholders' welfare.

### **Services:**



**Ideation & Implementation**



**Monitoring & Evaluation**



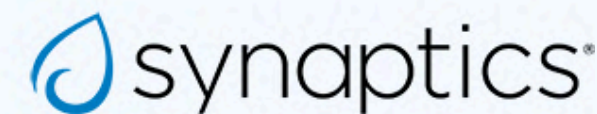
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# Our Valued Partners Driving Impact, Together

Our valued partners are the driving force behind our impact. Their support and collaboration help us implement transformative projects, creating meaningful change and building a sustainable future together.



# Our Team

## Dedicated Professionals, Passionate Change-Makers

**Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.**

**- Helen Keller**

Meet the diverse & dedicated team of experts who are the heart of HandsOnCSR.

They fuel HandsOnCSR's mission, bringing expertise, compassion, and commitment to community development.



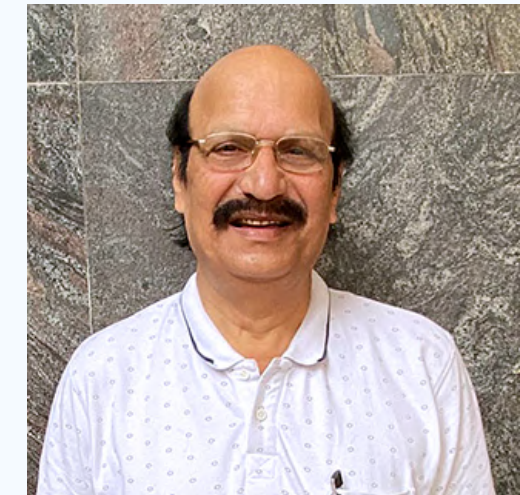
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This shared purpose transforms vision into action, creating lasting impact and resilient communities.



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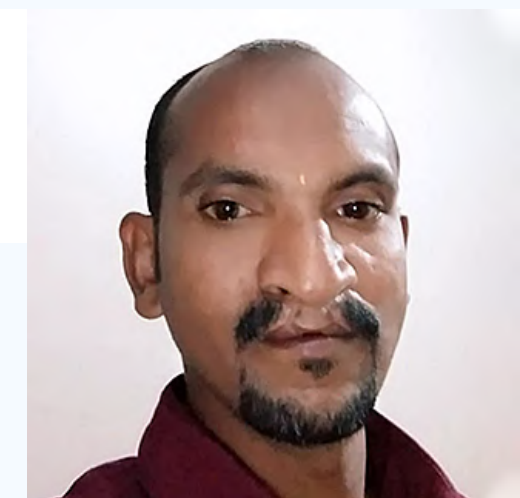
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## Our Initiatives - Planet

### Protecting the Earth for a Sustainable Tomorrow

At HandsOnCSR, we recognize the urgent need to protect our planet for future generations.

Our Planet Initiatives focus on environmental preservation, sustainability, and conservation.



## Shipara Enterprises Private Limited

Transforming a Barren Landscape into a Thriving Urban Oasis

### Project Summary:

The Shipara project aimed to revitalize a neglected area near the Hebbal flyover. Through a series of meticulously planned activities, we successfully transformed the land into a verdant space boasting 1000 flourishing/heightened trees.

### Key Activities:

- A reliable water source of 2.5 inches was tapped into at a depth of approximately 450 feet, guaranteeing the saplings' long-term survival.
- The land was meticulously leveled and cleared of debris to create a suitable foundation for the plantation.
- Pits were strategically dug to accommodate the root systems of the saplings, promoting their healthy growth.
- An electricity connection was established to power the irrigation systems, delivering consistent and sufficient water to the plants.
- A modern pump system was implemented to ensure optimal water distribution throughout the plantation.



### Plantation Location:

Land of NTI Co-operative Society  
Near Hebbal flyover  
Behind UPI Head office.

### Duration:

August – November 2023

## Shipara Enterprises Private Limited

Transforming a Barren Landscape into a Thriving Urban Oasis.

### Key Activities (contd):

- Careful consideration was given to selecting a diverse range of tree species, each contributing to the ecological enrichment of the area.
- A noteworthy aspect of the project was the successful relocation of a 12-year-old peepal tree from a construction site, preserving its life and adding an established element to the new habitat.
- Organic areca leaves were used for mulching, promoting moisture retention and weed suppression while adhering to environmentally friendly practices.
- Saplings were securely staked to provide them with the necessary support during their initial growth phase.

### Impact:

The Shipara project has demonstrably transformed a barren landscape into a vibrant urban ecosystem. We are committed to nurturing the newly planted trees and ensuring their continued growth and prosperity. With ongoing maintenance and care, this initiative will leave a lasting positive impact on the local environment for generations to come.





## LAM Research (India) Private Limited

Supports Local Community with Tree Plantation Project

### Project Summary:

LAM Research (India) Private Limited contributes to a greener future through its commitment to environmental stewardship. We organized a tree plantation event and brought together 30 dedicated volunteers from LAM Research who actively participated in planting 500 indigenous saplings.

### Project Highlights:

- The project encompassed thorough land preparation to ensure optimal sapling growth. Volunteers enthusiastically planted 500 indigenous tree species, each measuring 1-2 feet tall.
- We provided comprehensive technical guidance and execution throughout the project. This included supervision, logistical support, labor coordination, and the arrangement of water tankers to ensure proper hydration for the newly planted trees.
- The project includes a comprehensive 3-year maintenance plan that incorporates mulching, watering, weeding, and replacement of any saplings that may not thrive.



### Plantation Location:

Land of NTI Co-operative Society  
Near Hebbal flyover  
Behind UPI Head office.

### Date:

April 15th, 2023

## Voisin Consulting Pvt. Ltd. Plantation of Heighted Saplings

### Project Summary:

We organized a plantation drive with Voisin Consulting Pvt. Ltd. With a team of 21 dedicated volunteers, we successfully planted 100 heightened saplings, contributing to the environmental health of the area.

### Key Activities:

This initiative aimed to:

- Increase green cover around Margondanahalli Lake
- Improve air quality and reduce pollution
- Enhance the aesthetic beauty of the lake
- Promote environmental awareness

### Volunteer Participation:

The plantation drive witnessed enthusiastic participation from 21 Voisin Consulting Pvt. Ltd. employees. The volunteers actively participated in planting the saplings and pledged to nurture their growth.



### Plantation Location:

Margondanahalli Lake

### Date:

April 8th, 2023

## Analog Devices India Private Limited Hunsamaranahalli Lake Cleanup

### Project Summary:

We organized a successful lake cleanup drive with Analog Devices India Private Limited. A dedicated team of 36 volunteers removed trash and debris from the lake, contributing to a cleaner and healthier environment.

### Key Activities:

- Volunteers focused on removing plastic and PET bottles from the lake and surrounding areas.
- A key activity involved removing parthenium, a fast-growing invasive plant.
- To support the growth of existing saplings, volunteers created basins around them.
- The project also included spreading manure around the lake area.



### Location:

Hunsamaranahalli Lake

### Date:

May 6th, 2023

## Analog Devices India Private Limited Sundervana Pond Restoration

### Project Summary:

The Sundervana pond, spanning roughly 1 acre, required restoration to regain its functionality and enhance the surrounding environment. As we are dedicated to empowering communities through environmental initiatives, Analog Devices partnered with us to bring this project to life. This project, located in Kommasandra, Bangalore Rural, aimed to breathe new life into a critical waterbody. Previously, this land functioned as Gomala land (meant for cow grazing), but through restoration efforts, it has been transformed into a thriving pond ecosystem. The pond was restored in just 10 days.

### Key Activities:

- **Swift Completion:** The project was impressively completed 25 days before schedule, demonstrating remarkable planning and execution by the involved teams.
- **November Inauguration:** The restored pond was officially inaugurated in November 2023, marking a significant moment for the community.
- **Comprehensive Restoration:** The project encompassed a multifaceted approach, including De-weeding, De-silting, Bund strengthening, Inlets and outlets reconditioning, Silt trap construction, Nala cleaning



### Location:

Kommasandra Sundervana  
VP7P+R6, Kommasandra Panchayat  
Bangalore Rural, Survey number 112  
at a Longitude of 12.8606511, 77.7409912

### Date:

September 2023

## Analog Devices India Private Limited Sundervana Pond Restoration

### Impact:

The successful restoration of the Sundervana Pond promises a positive and long-term impact on the local community.

The restored pond will increase water storage capacity, enhance water quality, reduce flooding risks, provide habitat for local flora and fauna, and offer a recreational space for the community.



## Analog Devices India Private Limited Planting for a Greener Future

### Project Summary:

Analog Devices India took an initiative towards environmental sustainability by participating in a tree plantation drive at Kommasandra Sundervana. A team of 22 volunteers planted 75 saplings at the location. This project contributes to creating a greener environment by promoting biodiversity, reducing soil erosion, and potentially improving air quality in the area.



### Location:

Kommasandra Sundervana  
VP7P+R6, Kommasandra Panchayat  
Bangalore Rural, Survey number 112  
at a Longitude of 12.8606511, 77.7409912

### Date:

September 2023

## CSG Systems International

### Lake Cleanup: Making a Splash at Hunsmaranahalli Lake

#### Project Summary:

CSG was proud to showcase a successful lake cleanup project. This initiative exemplifies its dedication to environmental stewardship and community engagement. In a single day, 40 dedicated volunteers removed a staggering 500 kilograms of plastic waste from the lake, making a significant positive impact on the local environment.

#### Key Activities:

By removing the plastic waste, the volunteers from CSG made a significant contribution to the health of Hunsmaranahalli Lake. Plastic pollution poses a major threat to aquatic ecosystems, harming wildlife and impacting water quality.

The collective effort of our volunteers helped to:

- Reduce plastic pollution in the lake
- Improve water quality
- Protect aquatic life
- Beautify the lake for the community



#### Location:

Hunsmaranahalli Lake

#### Date:

May 27th, 2023

## Mavenir System Inc.

### Hunsmaranahalli Lake Cleanup Initiative

#### Project Summary:

To preserve the natural beauty and ecological integrity of Hunsmaranahalli Lake, Mavenir participated in a comprehensive cleanup initiative with 27 dedicated volunteers. This project aimed to address environmental concerns and promote community involvement in safeguarding our natural resources. Through the collective efforts of volunteers, an impressive 500 kg of waste was responsibly collected and removed from the lake premises.

#### Objectives Achieved:

- Environmental Conservation
- Community Engagement
- Ecological Restoration
- Social Empowerment
- Inspiration for Future Action



#### Location:

Hunsmaranahalli Lake

#### Date:

June 5th, 2023



## Mana Projects Pvt. Ltd.

### Restoring the Ecological Splendor of Hegondanahallikere Lake

#### Project Summary:

Mana Projects Pvt Ltd embarked on a transformative journey to restore the pristine beauty and ecological integrity of Hegondanahalli Lake. Spanning approximately 14 acres, this ambitious restoration project aimed to revitalize the lake ecosystem and enhance its environmental sustainability. The 14-acre lake was restored in just 3 months.

#### Objectives:

- To increase the capacity of the lake
- To ensure the availability and sustainable management of clean water and sanitation
- To ensure the betterment of life below water.
- To help improve the health of the people living around the lake
- To ensure natural sewage treatment plants by the development of flora and fauna.



#### Location:

Hegondanahallikere Lake  
Green Wood High School  
SH 35, Kachamaranahalli  
Bengaluru, Karnataka 560087

#### Date:

September 2023

## Bacardi India Pvt. Ltd.

### Reviving the Heart of Veeradevanapura: The Arasankere Lake Restoration Project

#### Project Summary:

In partnership with Bacardi and the community of Veeradevanapura village, the Arasankere Lake restoration project revitalized an 11-acre section of this 1,080-acre lake in Mysore district. Over three months, we worked to restore the lake, addressing water inflow issues and enhancing the surrounding environment.

#### Key Milestones:

- July 1, 2023: MoU signed between Bacardi and the community.
- September 14, 2023: NOC secured from Badanavalu Grama Panchayat.
- September 29, 2023: Bhoomi Pooja marked the official start of the project.
- October 2023: De-weeding, excavation, and bund strengthening initiated.
- November 2023: Walkways constructed around the lake.
- December 2023: Water inflow pipes and silt traps installed; scale poles for monitoring water levels added.
- January 2024: Saplings planted to enhance greenery.



#### Location:

Arasankere Lake  
Veeradevanapura Village  
Nanjangud Taluk  
Mysore District

#### Duration:

Sept 29th, 2023 – January 11th, 2024

# Planet

## Bacardi India Pvt. Ltd.

### Reviving the Heart of Veeradevanapura: The Arasankere Lake Restoration Project

#### Celebration & Impact:

The project culminated in a grand inauguration attended by His Highness Sri Yaduveer Krishnadara Chamaraja Wadiyar and MLA Sri Darshan Druvanarayan. The restored lake now provides sustainable water, a recreational space, and a thriving ecosystem for the community.



## CGI

### Strengthening bunds through the Chikthimsandra Restoration Initiative

#### Project Summary:

The CGI project, Chikkathimsandra Restoration Initiative, aimed to restore a pond. The project addressed siltation and weakened boundaries due to urbanization, aiming to improve the pond's water-holding capacity and long-term sustainability. With the help of 30 volunteers, 50 saplings were planted to enhance the restoration efforts further.

#### Methods of Pond restoration:

- De-weeding
- De-silting
- Bund strengthening
- Native tree plantation

#### Impact:

- Improved Water Holding Capacity
- Reduced Risk of Flooding
- Enhanced Water Quality
- Sustainable Water Source
- Increased Biodiversity
- Community Engagement



#### Location:

Near Muneshwara Temple, Chikkathimsandra

#### Date:

May 27th, 2023

## CGI

### Barricades for plastic debris on lakes in Bengaluru

#### Project Summary:

In collaboration with the Thats Eco Foundation and BBMP (Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike), CGI implemented a project to tackle plastic pollution in Bengaluru, India. They installed innovative trash barriers, also known as water trash interceptors, in 3 key locations. These systems utilize floating booms and screens to capture plastic debris in rivers and canals before it reaches larger bodies of water.

By harnessing natural currents, they passively collect waste, preventing harm to marine ecosystems. This project not only tackles plastic pollution but also promotes a circular economy by recycling the collected debris with the help of BBMP. Furthermore, trash barriers raise public awareness about responsible waste disposal, contributing to a cleaner and more sustainable future.



#### Location:

Yamalur Junction near Shobha (6 units)  
Ecospace Location 1& 2(2 units)  
KR Puram

## CGI

### Greening Bengaluru: Volunteers Plant for a Sustainable Future

#### Project Summary:

In a client engagement initiative on September 27th, 2023, CGI participated in a tree planting drive at St. John's Hospital in Bengaluru, India. A team of 22 volunteers planted 40 trees at the location, contributing to environmental improvement and potentially beautifying the hospital grounds.

**No of plants: 40**



#### Location:

St Johns Hospital  
Sarjapur - Marathahalli Rd  
Koramangala Industrial Layout  
Bengaluru, Karnataka 560034

#### Date:

September 27th, 2023

## CGI

### Volunteers Plant Trees at St. John's Hospital

#### Project Summary:

In a client engagement effort on January 27th, 2024 a team of 12 CGI volunteers planted 30 trees at St. John's Hospital in Bengaluru. This initiative contributes to environmental betterment and potentially beautifies the hospital grounds.

**No of plants: 30**



#### Location:

St Johns Hospital  
Sarjapur - Marathahalli Rd  
Koramangala Industrial Layout  
Bengaluru, Karnataka 560034

#### Date:

January 27th, 2024

# Planet

## H&M

### Hunsamaranahalli Lake Clean-up

#### Project Summary:

To promote a cleaner environment, H&M joined a lake cleanup event on October 30th, 2023, at Hunsamaranahalli Lake. With the help of 23 dedicated volunteers, H&M played a part in improving the health of the lake and surrounding ecosystem. This initiative likely removed trash and debris, contributing to a cleaner and more sustainable Bengaluru.

**Number of volunteers: 23**



#### Location:

Hunsamaranahalli Lake  
Airport Road  
Bengaluru

#### Date:

October 30th, 2023



## Disa India Private Limited Plants for a Sustainable Future

### Project Summary:

Disa India Private Limited participated in a tree plantation drive on February 2nd, 2024, at the Land of NTI Co-operative Society. A team of 20 volunteers participated in planting 100 saplings. This project likely contributed to environmental betterment in the area by increasing green cover, potentially reducing air pollution, and providing shade and habitat for wildlife.



### Location:

Land of NTI Co-operative Society  
Near Hebbal flyover  
Behind UPI Head Office

### Date:

February 2nd, 2024

## Tekion India Private Limited

### Make a Splash with Muneshwara Pond Restoration

#### Project Summary:

Tekion India Private Limited completed the restoration of the Muneshwara pond in Hosahalli village within just 15 days. The project culminated in a grand inauguration ceremony on February 23rd, 2024, with special guests Pannagabharana (filmmaker & theatre personality) and Sharanya Shetty (actress) highlighting the importance of environmental responsibility.

**Acres: ½ Acre**

#### Impact:

The restored Muneshwara pond will likely provide several benefits, including:

- Improved water quality and storage capacity
- Enhanced habitat for local wildlife
- Increased recreational opportunities for the community
- Potential for irrigation or other water uses



#### Location:

Muneshwara pond  
in Hosahalli village

#### Duration:

Feb 11th to Feb 23rd, 2024

## Honeycomb Retail India (Polar Bear)

### Waterhole restoration in Thurahalli Forest

#### Project Summary:

Honeycomb Retail India Private Limited collaborated to undertake a project to create and improve two water holes in the Turahalli Minor Forest, Bengaluru. The project aimed to enhance water availability for wildlife by desilting existing water holes, repairing and strengthening bunds, restoring the waste weir, and installing stone pitching at outlets. This will increase water storage capacity, improve water flow management, and prevent erosion, ultimately benefiting the forest ecosystem and promoting biodiversity.

The specific locations of these water holes are:

- Bunds 1 (12.8828480, 77.5262361)
- Bunds 2 (12.8839779, 77.5255820)
- Bunds 3 (12.8806480, 77.5203409)
- Bunds 4 (12.8819629, 77.5196171)

**Area Covered: 1.5 acres**



**Plantation Location:**  
Turahalli Minor Forest  
VGMF+FXQ, Thurahalli



## Our Initiatives - People

### Empowering Lives, Enhancing Communities

HandsOnCSR is committed to empowering individuals and communities to thrive. Our People Initiatives address critical social needs, foster inclusivity, and promote human development.

# People

## Mavenir System Inc.

### Cheela Mela: Upcycle for a Sustainable Future

#### Project Summary:

We are proud to partner with Mavenir for the impactful Cheela Mela initiative held on November 3rd, 2023. This collaborative project aimed to tackle textile waste, promote sustainability, and empower both the community and corporate volunteers.

#### Project Goals:

- The initiative focused on diverting old clothes from landfills by collecting and upcycling them into reusable bags.
- Cheela Mela aimed to raise awareness about the environmental impact of fashion and encourage eco-friendly practices through upcycling.
- Mavenir volunteers actively participated in the project, gaining new skills and contributing to a sustainable solution.
- The initiative aimed to educate the community about mindful consumption and the value of reusing materials.



#### Location:

In-house

#### Date:

November 3rd, 2023

# People

## Mavenir System Inc.

### Cheela Mela: Upcycle for a Sustainable Future

#### Project Highlights:

- **Collaboration with Saahas Organization:** We partnered with the Saahas organization, a self-help group of skilled tailors who played a crucial role in the upcycling process.
- **Volunteer Engagement:** 20 Mavenir volunteers enthusiastically participated in the project, collecting clothes, sorting materials, and learning basic sewing techniques to create bags.
- **Upcycling Expertise:** The Saahas tailors provided valuable guidance and expertise, teaching volunteers how to transform old clothes into functional and stylish bags.
- **Awareness Drive:** Through distributing the upcycled bags to local street vendors, the project raised awareness about the initiative and its environmental benefits.

#### Impact:

Cheela Mela successfully diverted a significant amount of textile waste from landfills, demonstrating the power of upcycling. It fostered a sense of environmental responsibility among volunteers and the community, promoting sustainable practices. Additionally, the project empowered the Saahas tailors by showcasing their skills and creating opportunities for collaboration.



# People

## Bacardi India Pvt. Ltd. Greener School Initiative

### Project Summary:

Bacardi India Private Limited collaborated for the 'Green School Initiative' with Interventions like Horticulture plantation, Rainwater Harvesting, and Solar powered school (off-grid) at Thagadur, Nanjangud taluka, Mysore district, situated 12 KM from Bacardi. The campus spans 11 acres.

### School Strength:

- Grade Levels: 6th to 12th Standard
- Total Students: 516 (Boys: 266, Girls: 250)
- Number of Teachers: 15

### Results of Green School Initiative:

#### Horticulture plantation:

- Planted 200 saplings
- Planted in 25 days
- Process involved pit digging, manure application, staking, basin making, plantation, setting up a drip irrigation system, and watering



### Location:

Atal Bihari Vajapayee Residential School, Thagadur  
Nanjangud Taluka  
Mysore district

### Duration:

January 23rd, 2024 – April 6th, 2024

## Bacardi India Pvt. Ltd. Greener School Initiative

### Results of Green School Initiative (contd):

#### Rainwater harvesting:

- The system was set up in 20 days
- The process involved mason work, transportation of soil, construction of the platform, plumbing work, placing of the tank, and painting

#### Solar off grids:

- 12kw Solar plant was installed within 10 days
- Process involved solar panel transportation, 5.4kw solar power plant at boys hostel, 6.6kw at canteen dining & girls hostel, earthing and energy meter fitment.





## Harsha Hirekumbalagunte Mutt Bridging the Educational Gap in Karnataka

### Project Summary:

In collaboration with Harsha Hirekumbalagunte Mutt, we, along with Connecting the Dots, an organization delivering online education to rural students, launched a project to bridge the educational gap in Karnataka, India. The initiative provided live online classes for 210 students.

Beyond lectures, students benefitted from interactive learning materials, periodic tests, quiz competitions to track progress, and even hands-on science kits. The project also invested in teacher training programs to equip educators with the skills to thrive in this digital learning environment. Overall, this initiative aimed to create a lasting impact by promoting inclusive education, empowering teachers, and equipping students with the knowledge and skills for success.

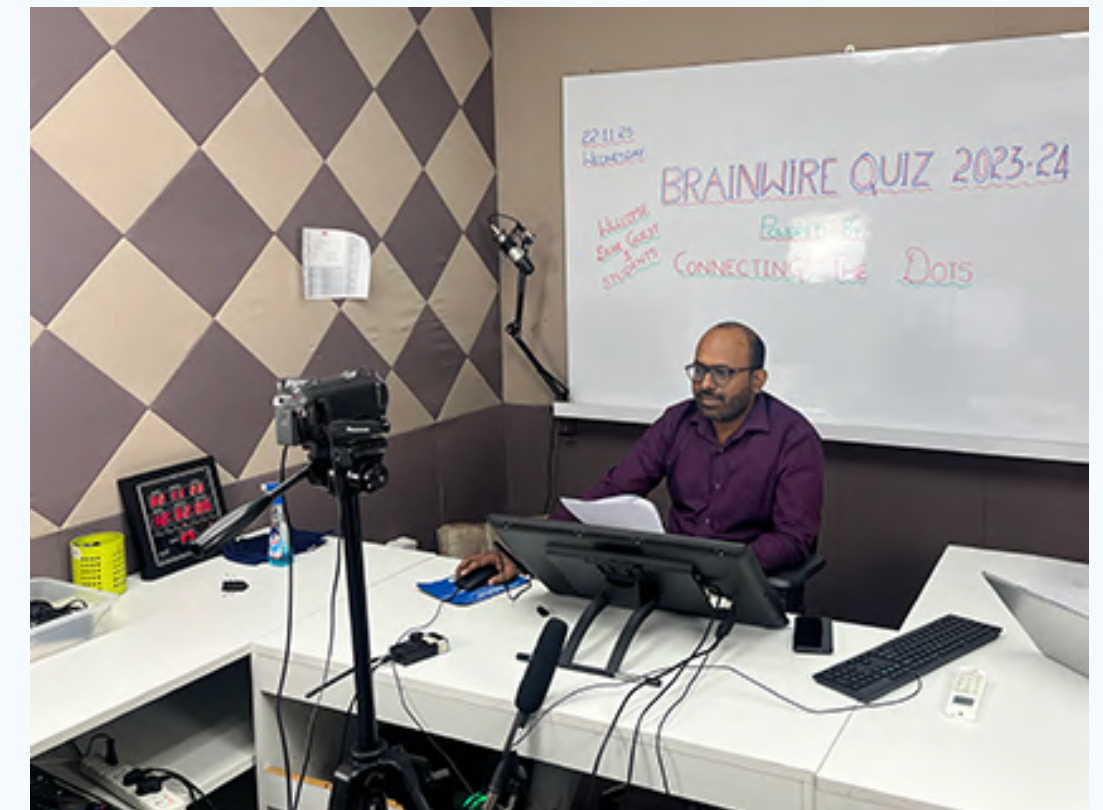
### Number of beneficiaries:

- Standard 10: 78
- Standard 9: 88
- Standard 8: 44

**Total number of students: 210**

### Location:

Kanakapura Girls Government  
High School, Karnataka



# People

## Here Technologies Ind. Pvt. Ltd. Online STEM Education in Karnataka

### Project Summary:

In collaboration with Here Technologies, we along with Connecting the Dots, an organization delivering online education to rural students, launched a project to bridge the educational gap in Karnataka, India. The initiative provided live online classes for 424 students across 4 schools. Beyond lectures, students benefitted from interactive learning materials, periodic tests, quiz competitions to track progress, and even hands-on science kits.

The project also invested in teacher training programs to equip educators with the skills to thrive in this digital learning environment. Overall, this initiative aimed to create a lasting impact by promoting inclusive education, empowering teachers, and equipping students with the knowledge and skills for success.



# People

## Here Technologies Ind. Pvt. Ltd. Online STEM Education in Karnataka

### Project location and Number of beneficiaries:

Name	8th	9th	10th	Total Students
Hullegowdanahalli Halli GHS – Bangalore Rural	30	38	34	102
Navachetan School – Amingad, Bagalkot	30	37	39	106
HB Colony GHS – Hassan	43	40	32	115
Huralagere GHS – Malur	28	34	39	101

**Total Number of Students: 424**



### Significant Activities:

- **Periodic Tests:** Two tests were conducted – Mid-Line on November 8, 2023, and End-Line on January 10, 2024, to evaluate student learning.
- **Quiz Competition:** A quiz was held on November 28, with winners receiving science books, certificates, and prizes.
- **Science Kits:** Science kits were provided to schools, along with access to online experiment videos for enhanced learning.
- **Teacher Training:** A 5-week training program for 50+ Science and Math teachers began on December 7, 2023, focusing on practical teaching methods and the use of technology.

# People

## Resonate Systems

### Digital Education Project in Karnataka

#### **Project Summary:**

In collaboration with Resonate Systems, we along with Connecting the Dots, an organization delivering online education to rural students, launched a project to bridge the educational gap in Taluvagera Govt High School. The initiative provided live online classes for 254 students in the school. Beyond lectures, students benefitted from interactive learning materials, periodic tests, quiz competitions to track progress, and even hands-on science kits. The project also invested in teacher training programs to equip educators with the skills to thrive in this digital learning environment. Overall, this initiative aimed to create a lasting impact by promoting inclusive education, empowering teachers, and equipping students with the knowledge and skills for success.

#### **Number of beneficiaries:**

- Standard 10: 50
- Standard 9: 105
- Standard 8: 99

**Total number of students: 254**



#### **Location:**

Taluvagera Govt High School,  
Karnataka

# People

## CGI

### Solar lanterns distribution initiative

#### Project Summary:

In pursuit of promoting sustainable energy solutions and supporting rural communities, CGI undertook a significant initiative to distribute solar lanterns in partnership with the Tamil Nadu Forest Department at the Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve and Kabini Forest in Karnataka. This endeavor aimed to illuminate the lives of 600 beneficiaries while fostering a harmonious relationship between human habitation and wildlife conservation.

#### Number of Solar Lanterns:

600 units

#### Beneficiaries:

600 individuals working in Tamilnadu Forest Department, Kabini Forest, and Tribal people of South India



#### Location:

Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve,  
Tamil Nadu,  
Kabini Forest, Karnataka

#### Date:

February 2nd, 2024

## Synaptics India Private Limited

Recliner Chairs for integration into patient care facilities

### Project Summary:

Synaptics donated twelve (12) recliner chairs to St. Johns Hospital, Bengaluru.

### Key Activities:

- **Donation and Delivery:** The chairs were delivered to the hospital on April 18th, 2024, ensuring their swift integration into patient care facilities.
- **Inauguration Ceremony:** A formal inauguration ceremony was held on June 5th, 2024, marking the official introduction of these recliner chairs for patient use.

### Impact:

This donation by Synaptics reflects a commitment to improving patient experiences within the healthcare system. The recliner chairs will provide much-needed comfort and support to patients during their recovery journeys at St. Johns Hospital, Bengaluru.



### Location:

St Johns Hospital  
Sarjapur - Marathahalli Rd  
Koramangala Industrial Layout  
Bengaluru, Karnataka 560034

### Date:

April 18th, 2024

## Synaptics India Private Limited

Bridging the Educational Gap in Karnataka

### Project Summary:

In collaboration with Synaptics India Private Limited, we along with Connecting the Dots, an organization delivering online education to rural students, launched a project to bridge the educational gap in Shri Sharada Vidya Mandir. The initiative provided live online classes for 162 students in the school. Beyond lectures, students benefitted from interactive learning materials, periodic tests, quiz competitions to track progress, and even hands-on science kits.

The project also invested in teacher training programs to equip educators with the skills to thrive in this digital learning environment. Overall, this initiative aimed to create a lasting impact by promoting inclusive education, empowering teachers, and equipping students with the knowledge and skills for success.

### Number of beneficiaries:

Medium	8th	9th	10th	Total Students
Kannada	52	40	36	128
English	12	13	09	34

**Total Number of Students: 162**

### Location:

Shri Sharada Vidya Mandir  
Bengaluru

## MRI Software

### Acquisition of Advanced Medical Equipment at Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research

#### Project Summary:

We are pleased to announce the acquisition of two new medical devices to further enhance our diagnostic and treatment capabilities at Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research which was possible through a generous donation by MRI Software under their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative. These advancements will further strengthen the hospital's diagnostic and treatment capabilities.

#### Donated Equipment:

- Automatic Electronic Tourniquet Single Cuff Operator with Silicone Cuff Autoclavable TRDG 511
- Hand Held Vascular Doppler L 150R



#### Location:

Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research  
B-8, B T M I Stage, Marenahalli Road  
KEB Colony, Jayanagara 9th Block  
Jayanagar, Bengaluru - 560 041



# People

## SMEDC Services Pvt Ltd.

### Illuminating a Sustainable Future with Solar Street Lights

#### Project Summary:

SMEDC Services Pvt Ltd partnered with us to install a solar street lighting system at Hunsamaranahalli Lake. This project signifies our commitment to providing sustainable and environmentally friendly solutions for our communities.

#### Quantity:

7 solar streetlights

#### Inauguration:

The project was inaugurated on August 25, 2024.

#### Benefits:

- Provides sustainable and environmentally friendly illumination for Hunsamaranahalli Lake.
- Reduces reliance on the traditional grid and lowers electricity costs.
- Enhances nighttime visibility, improving safety and security in the area.
- Low maintenance requirements due to the use of LED lighting and solar power.



#### Location:

Hunsmaranahalli Lake

#### Date:

August 25th, 2024

# People

## Mann & Hummel Filter Private Limited Bridging the Educational Gap in Karnataka

### Project Summary:

In collaboration with Mann & Hummel Filter Private Limited, we, along with Connecting the Dots, an organization delivering online education to rural students, launched a project to bridge the educational gap in Shri Sharada Vidya Mandir.

The initiative provided live online classes for 324 students in 2 Government schools. Beyond lectures, students benefited from interactive learning materials, periodic tests, quiz competitions to track progress, and even hands-on science kits. The project also invested in teacher training programs to equip educators with the skills to thrive in this digital learning environment. Overall, this initiative aimed to create a lasting impact by promoting inclusive education, empowering teachers, and equipping students with the knowledge and skills for success.

### Location and Number of beneficiaries:

#### Vishwaranagar GHS (Hubli)

Medium	8th	9th	10th	Total Students
Kannada	60	73	70	203

#### Vidyanagar GHS (Bengaluru)

Medium	8th	9th	10th	Total Students
Kannada	35	30	35	100
English	-	12	09	21



## Special Days Celebrating Milestones, Creating Memories

Relive the moments that made a difference, showcasing our engagement with communities, corporate partners, and stakeholders.

## Special Days

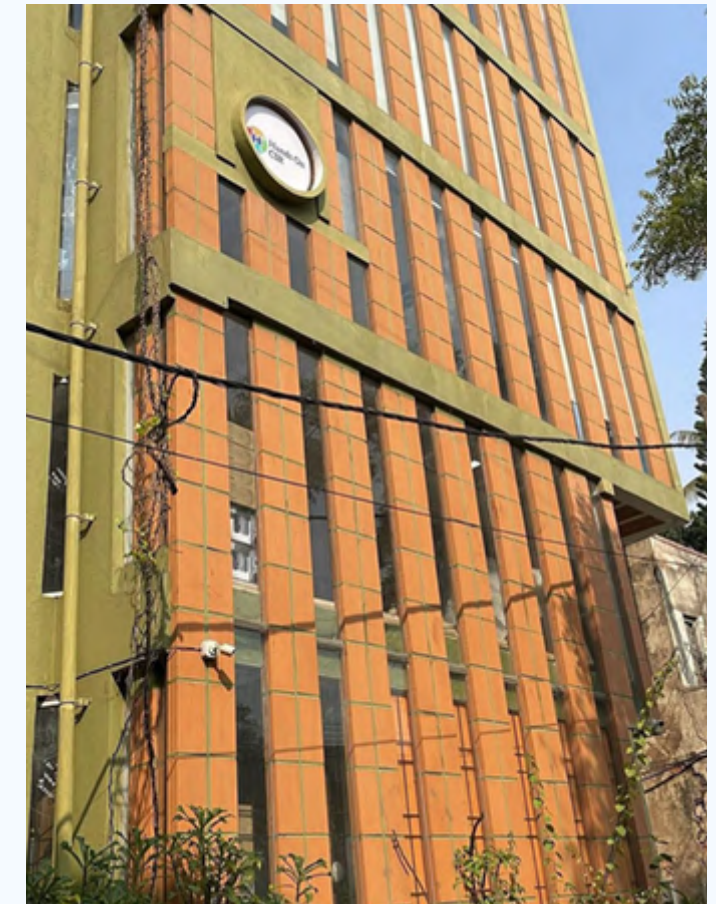
### Celebrating Milestones, Creating Memories

#### **HANDSONCSR: Setting Up Roots to Reach New Heights**

We are delighted to announce a significant milestone in HANDSONCSR's journey – the inauguration of our first official office space! After nearly five years of tireless work, forging connections, and positively changing our planet, we established a permanent home in Devaiah Park, Malleshwaram on December 7th, 2023.

This office signifies more than just a physical address. It's a powerful symbol of the resilience, dedication, and collective impact we've achieved. Over the years, HANDSONCSR has been a driving force for positive change.

We've spearheaded lake restoration projects, planted countless trees, and instilled hope in communities across the region. This new space reflects the growth of our ambitions and the ever-expanding scope of our work.



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### Day of learning about the restoration of lakes in Bengaluru

Biocon Academy's commitment to environmental education extends beyond the classroom. In August 2023 as part of our initiative, 25 enthusiastic BioScience students from the 2023 batch embarked on a learning journey focused on lake restoration in Bengaluru.

The day's program saw the students visiting two crucial city lakes: Yarandahalli Lake and Hebbagodi Lake. Once vibrant ecosystems, these lakes have faced significant challenges due to pollution and encroachment.

### Environmental Stewardship Initiative

Restoring Our Ecosystem (January 10, 2024)

In our commitment to environmental responsibility, we partnered with "WePlantree" on January 10th, 2024, for a tree-planting drive. This initiative saw the participation of 35 MCC student volunteers who, along with Kannada BIGBOSS Fame Snehith, planted 500 native saplings.



### 1200-Year-Old Monument Gleams Again in Nelamangala

In the heart of Nelamangala, Bengaluru stands a silent sentinel to the passage of time – a 1200-year-old monument. This year, this historical landmark received a much-needed facelift thanks to the dedication of 10 enthusiastic volunteers from our community. Through careful cleaning, they removed debris, grime, and biofouling, restoring the monument's beauty and preserving its heritage. This project ignited a sense of community pride and paved the way for future preservation efforts. By working together, we can ensure these historical treasures continue to inspire generations to come.



## Testimonials

### Voices of Appreciation, Stories of Impact

The true testament to our success is the stories shared by those we've impacted. These voices inspire us to continue our journey with greater purpose.

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At Tekion, Good Health, Well-being, Education, Sustainability, and Equality are the primary focus areas of our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program. We believe in giving back to society in meaningful ways.

It has been a great experience partnering with NGO HandsOnCSR by That's Eco Foundation for our sustainability-related CSR programs. The restoration of the Muneshwara pond in Hosahalli (off Sarjapura Road) in Bengaluru has been an impactful ecological initiative that has rejuvenated the groundwater and supported endemic flora and fauna. We thank HandsOnCSR for collaborating with us on this unique initiative. We commend the team for demonstrating their commitment and care for the environment.

Our partnership with HandsOnCSR will continue to strengthen as we grow and scale our CSR programs..

**Ran Robillard**  
**Chief People Officer, Tekion**

Mann+Hummel proudly endorse the remarkable work facilitated by Connecting The Dots and That's Eco Foundation in delivering Digital Education for Grades 9 and 10 at two of the selected Government Schools in Karnataka.

Their commitment is evident in the program's meticulous execution, monthly progress updates, and baseline testing, which ensures continuous improvement. This partnership is transforming STEM education by equipping students with essential digital skills and enriching their learning experiences.

Through our partnership with That's Eco Foundation, we have witnessed firsthand this program's positive impact on the students. By integrating digital learning into STEM education, students are gaining access to a wealth of knowledge and developing critical skills essential for success.

We commend That's Eco Foundation and CTD for their dedication to fostering innovation in education and empowering students with the tools they need to thrive in. It is truly inspiring to see the collaboration between CTD and Government Schools paving the way for a brighter future for the next generation.

Kind Regards / Mit freundlichen Grüßen,

**Akash R Reddy**  
**Lead Engineer-LS&E**



## Call To Action

### Join Hands for a Sustainable Future

Partner with us to amplify our impact, support community development, and create a sustainable future for generations to come.



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In the coming year, we aim to:

- Expand our partnerships to reach a wider range of companies/citizens seeking impactful CSR solutions.
- Develop innovative and scalable CSR programs addressing emerging social and environmental challenges.
- Strengthen our monitoring and evaluation frameworks to demonstrate the lasting impact of our work.
- We invite you to explore this report in detail and learn more about how HandsOnCSR by That's Eco Foundation can help your business achieve its CSR goals while creating a positive impact on the world.



## Get In Touch

Together, We Can Make a Difference.

Whether you're looking to partner, volunteer, or learn more about our work, we'd love to hear from you! Reach out and let's create a lasting impact together.

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