

What I can do for a sustainable life

- Let's practice not to concretise all the open area of our campus and leave space for good seepage of rainwater into ground.
- Protect natural waterbodies around our locality.
- Sustainable waste management practices in our home and office campus.
- Judicious use of water, fuel, electricity.
- You must have wonderful childhood memories related to Nature. Share such beautiful stories with children to make them fond of nature.
- Use local products to support a sustainable living.



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Where do we live?



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There is always an attachment to our home, our family, our native place. In the family we have an inseparable relationship among every member, even with our pets, trees, forests, including a wild bird or a butterfly that comes for a while to our campus. And our native place, whether it is flood dominated area, drought-stricken, hill, plain, city, town, village- our native place remains in our heart always. In the growth of civilization(!), we are damaging the soil, water, air, trees, forests etc. which have also adversely affected the ecosystem comprising other living organism. Such injudicious and unplanned activities have resulted in various unexpected consequences in our living space. Are we capable enough to take care of our living place!

Since last couple of years, we have observed that there are significant shortage of drinking water in many parts of Assam, level of ground water are depleting day by day. On the other hand, in many apartments, compounds have been completely paved and the process of natural water percolation has been stopped. Waterbodies and forests are being destroyed at a rapid rate. Human's activities have interrupted the regularity of rainfall. It's worrying that despite repeated warning from the Mother Nature, destructive activities are still continuing. Recently we have just come accrosed the COVID-19 pandemic, but unfortunately after such a situation, there is not enough attention paid to maintaining the balance between nature and development. We all are aware about the recent heartbreaking disaster in Dima Hasao District of Assam. But then again, it is unexpected to see the unplanned, unscientific development works are being carried out in the same place after such a tragic incident! How we are prepared for such future disasters ! Do we have any preventive measures for a secure future !

Are we intellectually incapable of planning developmental works without damaging natural resources: waterbodies, trees, forests, hills etc.? How to repair the damage we made to the soil, water, air, trees, forests?

In the era of unprecedented advancement (!) in science and technology, why are we unable to continue the development activities ensuring protection of the wetlands, rivers, hills, trees and wildlife? It's a serious concern. We need to think and take action in this regard. Otherwise, we will face situations like COVID-19, Dima Hasao more frequently.

There are thousands of wetlands and hundreds of rivers and tributaries in Assam. Have we analyzed why the incidence of diseases like cancer is increasing in such awesome place like Assam? Have we noticed why farmers in parts of Assam have to migrate for soil quality? We can't ignore such issues. Our ignorance will reflect that we have lack of responsibility and sense of belongingness to our native place. And it will subsequently make the place, the state, uninhabitable for both humans and wildlife. Where shall we go then? What shall I do? What will our children do? Did we notice that we have enough resources but less plannings ! So, let's take care of the Mother Nature like our beloved home.