

Girgaon cha Raja - Green Footsteps



A very old tradition which was started by Lokmanya Tilak is still a strongly celebrated religious festival called "Ganesh Utsav" in India. The purpose behind starting this festival was to bring people together to share ideas and thoughts in old times. Many Ganpati Mandal's (organisations) still put their heart and soul, and actively participate in this festival. Some of them make great efforts to contribute to so-

cial responsibility. One of these organisations that did a worth-mentioning activity is "Girgaon cha Raja" in Mumbai. Since 19 years, their Ganesh Idol (moorti) is made from modelling clay. This itself makes it a unique idol. Artist named Rajan Patkar has carved the idol for this year. Patkar family is in this sculpture making right from the first year of the "Girgaon cha Raja - Bappa Moorti" and currently, it's the 4th Generation which is involved in this Mandal.

This year the Mandal initiated a new task to highlight the "Ban on Plastic" by collecting the plastic trash or bags from people or houses and in exchange distributed them "Cloth Bags". People turned up with the monstrous pile of plastics and in exchange went back with cloth bags. This received a lot of appreciation from the devotees who witnessed this. It was indeed, a great initiative taken by the Mandal this year and a very ideal way to celebrate a festival with a social responsibility.

Mrunmayi Apte
Member, TERRE



President Corner

'Once again in the transit of nature, the ghost is an act of self-control.'

**Be aware of the wrath of nature.
Save nature before it's too late !!'**



Dr. Vinitaa Apte
Founder President, TERRE



First-ever Report

TERRE unveils its first-ever Report of 'Million Tree Plantation' Programme at Dolvi and Karav site

<http://terrepolicycentre.com/pdf/Project-report-Dolvi-and-Karav.pdf>



Small Act Green Impact

Drive less and use public transportation more. You can also use Biofriendly Corporation's liquid fuel catalyst to reduce vehicle emissions and increase fuel economy



Plantation at Mhalunge site

Mhalunge afforestation site was adopted by TERRE after the success of Warje urban forestry. It was a 32-hectare barren forest hill land. TERRE has taken the responsibility to convert this barren hill into a green forest with rich biodiversity. The second phase of the plantation on this site with the support of TATA Motors was completed on 10th September 2018.

TERRE has planted total 16000 indigenous trees with the average height of 10-12 feet in 2018 under the CSR activity of TATA Motors.



Souniya Parswani Planted and Adopted a Gulmohar plant in the loving memory of her mother Late Ms. Usha Parswani at Mhalunge, Pune

Volunteering activity by Persistent Foundation at Mhalunge site





'Train The Trainers' on Environment Education



On 22nd September 2018, TERRE has conducted "Train the Trainers" program for the volunteers of TATA Motors under its CSR activity. The aim of this training was to guide the volunteers on environment education for conducting the same sessions in different schools to enhance awareness level among the students and teachers.

TERRE felicitated the Awardee of Prakashache Bet (12th edition)



Plastic pollution is a big threat to the ecosystem. Awareness among the society about the eradication of plastic is must. Keeping this motto in mind, TERRE and Dhyas have organized a non-verbal theatre act on awareness about the harmful effects of plastic at Patrakar Bhanu near Ganjawe square, Pune.

After the act, the 'Prakashache Bet' award was presented by TERRE to **Mr. Shrikant Bhide** for his magnificent contribution in

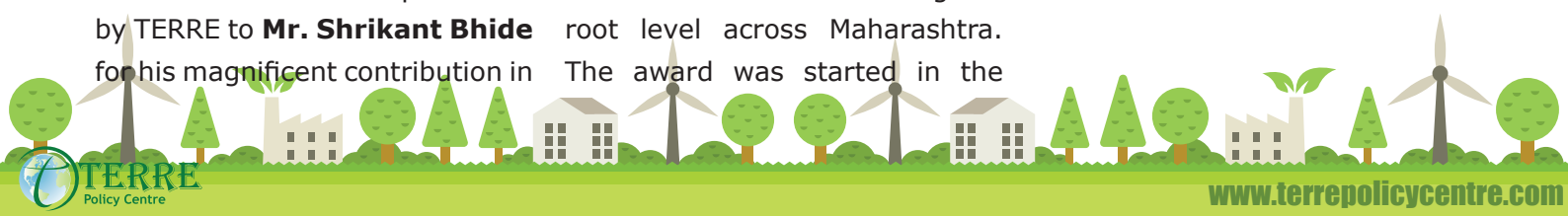
creating awareness on environmental issues through theatrical acts. The award was presented at the hands of **Fiona Mathews**, President & CEO of 'Earth Champions', UK and **Dr. Vinitaa Apte**, Founder Director of TERRE.

Dr. Vinitaa Apte has initiated this award for appreciating the work of individuals who are sincerely doing a remarkable work for the environment on grass root level across Maharashtra. The award was started in the

month of October 2017 and this was the concluding award of its first season.

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Volunteering activity by TATA Motors at Smrutivan, Warje site



MOU Signing between TERRE and Earth Champion



TERRE Policy Centre and Earth Champions met Hon. Mukta Tilak, Mayor of Pune to discuss collaboration with Pune Municipal Corporation

TERRE has signed an MOU with UK based organization 'Earth Champions Foundation' for Earth Champion Award Pune. The MOU was signed by Founder and CEO of Earth Champion, Fiona Mathews and Founder Director of TERRE, Dr. Vinitaa Apte. Award will be launched on 1st January 2019 and award ceremony for the winner will be held in the month of December 2019 for their remarkable work towards the earth.



"Rain Rain
Come Again!!"

P.C Dhanraj
Garad



TERRE Olympiad (2018-2019) Champion



In this 4th edition of TERRE Olympiad, TERRE has received an overwhelming response from all over India. The online exam portal for the 1st round got closed on 30th September 2018. The selection process for the second round has been initiated and it will follow the criteria of maximum marks in minimum time. The cut-off list to declare the shortlisted students for the second round will be available on the website: <http://terregreenolympiad.com/> in the second week of October 2018. The exam portal for the second round (which is also the final round of exam) will start in the month of November 2018.

The award ceremony after the completion of the second round will be organized in the month of January 2019. All the winning and special awards will be presented at the hands of Hon. HRD Minister, Prakash Javadekar .

TERRE Olympiad Report

Total no. of student registration:- **2,49,218**

Total no. of students who attended the exam:- **2,32,465**

Total no. of school registration:- **8876**

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LITTLE GREBE *TACHYBAPTUS RUFICOLLIS*

The Little Grebe (*Tachybaptus ruficollis*), also known as dabchick, is a member of the grebe family of water birds. The genus name is from Ancient Greek takhus meaning "fast" and bapto meaning "to sink under". The specific ruficollis is from Latin rufus "red" and Modern Latin - collis, "necked", itself derived from Latin collum "neck".

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Little_grebe

QUESTION OF THE MONTH

In which of the following places Royal Bengal Tiger is found?

- A. Mahanadi Delta
- B. Kaveri Delta
- C. Godawari Delta
- D. Sunderban delta

If you know the answer, send in your entry to us at

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LAST MONTH'S QUIZ ANSWER -

Assam

WINNER OF LAST MONTH'S QUIZ

Pratik Jaisawal

(pratikpj77@gmail.com)

NUMBER OF THE MONTH



70

Global waste could grow by 70 per cent by 2050 as urbanisation and populations rise.

Reference

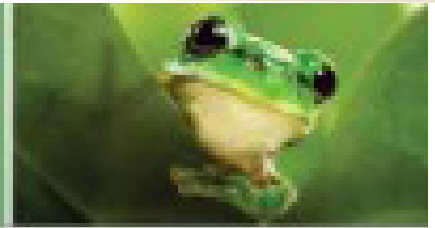
<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/home/environment/pollution/world-waste>

[-could-grow-70-as-cities-boom-warns-world-bank/articleshow/65896234.cms](https://www.worldbank.org/articleshow/65896234.cms)





LOSS OF BIODIVERSITY



"No longer do we have to justify the existence of humid tropical forests on the feeble grounds that they might carry plants with drugs that cure human disease. Gaia theory forces us to see that they offer much more than this. Through their capacity to evapotranspire vast volumes of water vapor, they serve to keep the planet cool by wearing a sunshade of white reflecting cloud. Their replacement by cropland could precipitate a disaster that is global in scale."

—James Lovelock

Threat of extinction



1 out of 8 bird species are threatened with extinction.



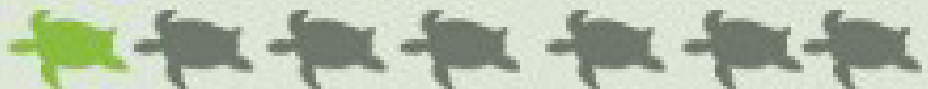
1 out of 4 mammal species are threatened with extinction.



1 out of 4 conifer species are threatened with extinction.



1 out of 3 amphibian species are threatened with extinction.



6 out of 7 marine turtle species are threatened with extinction.



75% of agricultural crop genetic diversity has been lost.

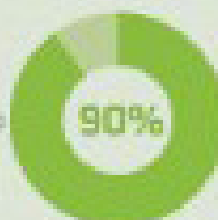


75% of the world's fisheries are being fully or overexploited.



70% of the world's known species may face extinction if the world's temperature rises by more than 3.5°C

90% of the wet lowland forests in western Ecuador has been cleared in the past 40 years. The clear-cut former forests used to be home to **10,000 species of plants**, 25% of which existed only in Ecuador.



1/3 of reef-building corals around the world are threatened with extinction. Coral reefs are home to innumerable species.



the Environment CROSSWORD

DOWN:

1. Tiger reserve in Maharashtra state
2. Worm called as 'Friends of the Farmers'
3. Unit of heredity which is transferred from a parent to offspring
4. Molecule that carries the genetic instruction used in growth
5. Basic unit of nervous system

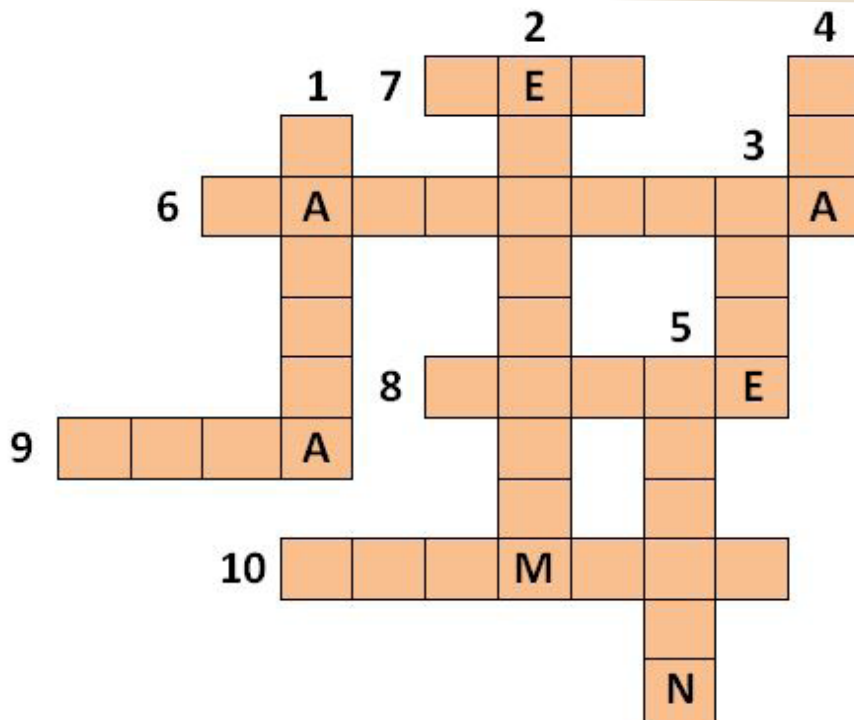
ACROSS:

6. An Indian sanctuary and World Heritage Site known for one-horned Rhinoceros
7. A flying insect helpful in pollination process
8. H1N1 vaccine is taken as precaution for ____ flu
9. Term also used for water
10. Term referred for the footprint of most animals

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Last Crossword Answer

