

# JULY DIARY

“Rivers, glaciers, and mangroves are infrastructure that build and safeguard cities. We must preserve them for our existence; they should not be treated as empty or worthless spaces that can be encroached upon or compromised.”

... Mr. Pradip Burman, *Chairman, Mobius Foundation*



## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION (ICSE) 2024

The 6<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Sustainability Education (ICSE) 2024 will be a pivotal event featuring insightful power talks, dynamic parallel sessions, and contributions from eminent dignitaries, experts, and delegates. The conference will cover a broad range of critical topics, including educating for informed family planning practices towards a sustainable population and planet, green chemistry to combat plastic pollution, the role of sustainability education in skilling for green jobs, innovative technologies for sustainability education, youth conclave, circularity for sustainability, fostering ocean stewardship through learning, to name a few.

In collaboration with globally renowned national and international organizations and institutions such as UNESCO, UNEP, CEE, FEE, Climate Reality Project India & South Asia, Population Foundation of India, IIT Guwahati, and Central Institute of Technology, Kokrajhar, the conference promises to be an influential platform for advancing sustainability education. The participants will have numerous networking opportunities, allowing them to connect with like-minded professionals, share insights, and forge partnerships that can drive forward the sustainability agenda.

To participate in this crucial dialogue on sustainability education and contribute to the global movement towards greening education for a sustainable future.

For registration please visit: <https://www.icse-esd.org/alp-registration-2024.php>



## YOUTH FOR EARTH

### Pre-ICSE Forum Organized by Mobius Foundation and Climate Reality Foundation

The Mobius Foundation and the Climate Reality Foundation jointly organized a pre-ICSE forum online on June 5, 2024. The event aimed to highlight the importance of World Environment Day and provide detailed guidance on project report submissions and evaluation criteria for this year's campaign. The forum saw enthusiastic participation from over 450 individuals across South Asia and India, all eager to share their ideas for improving the environment. Participants posed numerous questions about the submission process. The organizing teams addressed all queries and provided certificates to attendees who completed the feedback form. The winners of the Y4E championship will be determined based on the shared evaluation criteria, emphasizing the project's scale, impact, and replicability potential. The deadline for project submissions is July 15, 2024. The Y4E winners will be announced at the 6<sup>th</sup> ICSE platform at the India Habitat Centre in New Delhi on September 19-20, 2024.

For more information, please visit our website: <https://www.icse-esd.org/youth-for-earth-2024.php>



Online Pre-ICSE Forum organized by Mobius Foundation and Climate Reality Foundation



## GYAN ANANT VIDYALAYA (GAV)

### Online summer camp 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> May 2024

The camp featured various fun activities such as yoga sessions, a day full of creativity and expression, and dance classes. It concluded with a focus on sustainability, where students engaged in activities teaching them the importance of protecting our environment and fostering a sense of responsibility and care for our planet.

### Visit to old age home 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

The students of GAV visited an old age home in Pilkhuwa and Hapur as part of our food donation drive. This initiative is a step towards achieving the **SDG 2 of Zero Hunger**.



▲ Visit to Old age home

### International Yoga Day 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024 (Summer Vacations - online)

On 21 June 2024, commemorated 'International Yoga Day' with an invigorating yoga session for students from Grades 1 to 10. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from teachers, parents and students, resonating with the profound interconnection between a healthy mind and a healthy body. This year's theme for Yoga Day was 'YOGA FOR SELF AND SOCIETY', highlighting the promotion of holistic health through yoga practice for every individual.



## GYAN KANYA SHAKTI

1. A new borewell was dug at Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, Gunnaur, Panna, MP, on 25th June 2024 by Mobius Foundation. The students of this school had no access to clean water for drinking and other uses, which caused a barrier in day to day functioning of school. Harsh summers in the region used to make the situation worse for these girls.
2. Induction of Field Coordinators for four districts Sidhi, Satna, Panna and Sheopur in MP, was done on 24th June 2024. They were introduced to Mobius Foundation and Gyan Kanya Shakti - 100 school programs, followed by distribution of Induction Manuals for them to better grasp the details of the program. The session was conducted by Ms. Jessica Gill, Program Lead and Ms. Neha Chaudhary.
3. A two day training session was conducted by Lotus Petal Charitable Foundation (LTCF) at Dhunela, Gurugram, for the Field Coordinators to bring them on board with the processes and reports of running digital smart classes under Gyan Kanya Shakti, on 25th and 26th June 2024. They were introduced to the Vidya Sahyog platform, which is used to decide the course curriculum for the smart classes. They were also introduced to various reporting formats, that will be a part of their roles and responsibilities, for smooth running of the classes. The sessions were conducted by Ms. Ankita Hazra, Sr. Program Manager, Mr. Inderjeet Singh, Sr. Project Coordinator, Mr. Ranjeet Yadav, Sr. Project Coordinator, Ms. Megha Sharma, Mentor and Ms. Jyoti Yadav, Mentor of LTCF.



▲ Borewell dug at Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, Gunnaur, Panna, MP



▲ Field Coordinators for four districts – Sidhi, Satna, Panna and Sheopur in MP with Ms. Neha Chaudhary at Mobius Foundation, Delhi office.



▲ Training session conducted by Lotus Petal Charitable Foundation at Dhunela, Gurugram



# PROJECT AAKAR: ADDRESSING UNMET FAMILY PLANNING NEEDS

In partnership with NGO Janani, Project Aakar is being implemented in the Siddharthnagar district of Uttar Pradesh.

The on-ground team now has a brand-new van equipped with dedicated Community Outreach Team and laparoscopic instruments to facilitate female sterilization and Non-Scalpel Vasectomy procedures at clinics.

The project will focus on 8 out of the 14 blocks in Siddharthnagar, engaging in activities such as community mobilization, counseling sessions, and primarily supporting the government in female sterilization, PPIUCD, and contraceptive distribution at the block level.

**Project Ummeed** is actively enhancing the government institutions in districts such as Barabanki, Bahraich, Balrampur, Gonda, Unnao, and Sitapur. Specialists in family planning programmes are identifying gaps in contraceptive supply chains, providing focused training to frontline staff, and strengthening overall capacity. Project

**Ummeed 2.0** emphasizes the importance of family planning by establishing dedicated corners that streamline access to services, thus increasing demand among eligible couples. Furthermore, the project is expanding its reach to include Shravasti district.



Project Aakar van equipped equipped with dedicated Community Outreach Team and laparoscopic instruments

## MOBIUS FOUNDATION JOINS THE INTERNATIONAL BIG CAT ALLIANCE AS A PARTNER ORGANIZATION

Mobius Foundation has joined the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) as a 'Partner Organization' to jointly work for the conservation of the big cats. The International Big Cat Alliance was launched in April, 2023 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India during the commemoration of 50 years of Project Tiger. The alliance serves as a crucial platform for fostering cooperation, sharing knowledge, building capacity, advocating conservation initiatives and providing essential financial support for projects aimed at safeguarding big cat populations worldwide. As a partner organisation to IBCA, Mobius Foundation would be able to join IBCAs various programs and activities, including participating in the IBCA assembly meetings.



### ARTICLE

#### Climate-proofing the Finances

Climate change has been identified as the paramount global risk in the Global Risks Report 2024. From severe weather events to financial instability, its implications are far-reaching. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has pinpointed two key pathways through which climate-related risks impact the financial sector: physical risks and transition risks.

To effectively manage these risks, the RBI has introduced a disclosure framework and is actively involved in initiatives like the NGFS (Network for Greening the Financial System).

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## PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT

Mr. Abhishek Patel, Project Manager and Ms. Himani Kantiwal, Jr. Research Associate, Mobius Foundation, attended the **Residential Training on Decentralized Renewable Energy (DRE) Systems: Designs, Operations and Applications of Solar Mini-Grid** (June 19-21, 2024), organized by **Centre for Science and Environment (CSE), Delhi**.

The training focused primarily on the DRE approach, which aims to promote energy efficiency, sustainable energy generation and the establishment of a dependable and cost-effective system capable of addressing the electricity requirements of underserved communities. Moreover, it also aims to reduce electricity expenses and greenhouse gas emissions substantially. The training consisted of 3-day sessions led by industry experts, consultants, research professionals, and government officials involved in solar grid applications at the community, rural, and urban levels.



Ms. Himani Kantiwal, Jr. Research Associate, receiving certificate of participation



Mr. Abhishek Patel, Project Manager, receiving certificate of participation



Attendees of the training program

## DIGITAL CAMPAIGN

### #MFViram



Impressions 192,851 | Engagement 18,693 | Reach 180,634



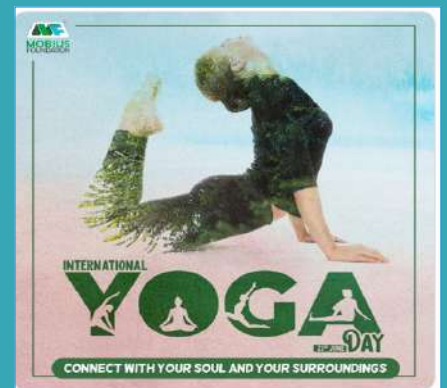
### #SpecialDay



### #ProjectAakar



Impressions 19,427 | Reach 8,633 | Engagement 2,400



Impressions 140,187 | Reach 94,181 | Engagement 5,548

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