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"Green development is India's only path forward — we cannot afford to lose any more forests. The future is safer when we build sustainably, protecting nature while advancing progress."

– **Pradip Burman**, Chairman, Mobius Foundation



7th International Conference on Sustainability Education (ICSE) - 2025

Organised by the Mobius Foundation in collaboration with leading national and international partners, the 7th International Conference on Sustainability Education (ICSE) will be held on **17th–18th September, 2025**, at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. This year's theme, **'Sustainability Education for Green Jobs'**, highlights the crucial link between education, environmental stewardship and the rapidly growing green economy. **ICSE 2025 takes a stride towards officially becoming a carbon-neutral event, reaffirming its strong commitment to environmental responsibility.**

The ICSE Secretariat is curating a range of impactful sessions—including plenaries, panel discussions, a Fireside Chat, and a Youth Conclave—while fostering a vibrant network of universities, corporations, consultancies and schools. Participants will engage in critical dialogues on key topics such as climate action, STEM, AI, agriculture, the circular and blue economies, population stabilization, and more.

Registrations are now open, and we invite you to join global delegates in shaping a more sustainable, climate-positive future.

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Learn more: www.icse-esd.org



Youth for Earth 2025

The Youth for Earth (Y4E) campaign continues to build impressive momentum, with over 290 registrations received to date from across India and neighbouring countries. This includes 235 from India, 33 from Bangladesh, 9 from Nepal, 1 from Bhutan, 8 from the Maldives and 4 from Sri Lanka—a testament to the campaign's growing regional impact.

A key highlight was the webinar held on 7th June, 2025 during World Environment Week, which brought together over 300 participants to engage with Y4E's mission and vision.

As we approach the final phase of the campaign, participants are reminded to submit their final project reports by 31st July, 2025. Our expert jury panels are now preparing to evaluate the thoughtful, problem-oriented projects developed by students.

The most impactful initiatives will be showcased at the 7th ICSE - 2025. All campaign guidelines and the official report format are available on the [ICSE-Y4E website](https://www.youthforearth.org).



Gyan Anant Vidyalaya (GAV)

International Yoga Day – 21st June, 2025: Our students actively participated in a special yoga session, where they enthusiastically learned and practiced various **asanas**, discovering the holistic benefits of yoga for the **body, mind, and spirit**. The event fostered a strong sense of **community, mindfulness, and well-being**, bringing everyone together through this ancient and transformative practice. It was truly heartening to witness our students embracing yoga with such positivity and enthusiasm.



Children during International Yoga Day





Gyan Kanya Shakti (GKS): 100 Schools Program

MADHYA PRADESH

- **One-day Workshop on Gender-Responsive Disaster Risk Reduction – 25th June, 2025:** was jointly organised by the **Panna District Administration** and **UN Women**. The workshop was inaugurated by **Mr. Suresh Sharma, Collector, Panna**, and brought together key stakeholders to discuss inclusive approaches to disaster preparedness and resilience. **Mr. Aasheesh S. Kshatriya, District Coordinator, Panna**, participated in the event, which proved to be a highly informative and enriching learning experience.
- **Joining of New Coordinators – 16th June, 2025:** District Coordinators, **Mr. Saurabh Singh** and **Mr. Ankit Mishra**, have been assigned to the **Shahdol and Sheopur districts**, respectively, and are expected to contribute significantly to the ongoing initiatives in their regions.
- **Meetings with Government Officials and School Visits:** All **District Coordinators** held meetings with **District Government Officials** to provide updates on the program and share the implementation plan for the **Academic Session 2025–26**. Additionally, they visited all partner schools to meet with **principals and teachers** ahead of the end of the summer break, ensuring alignment with the plans for the upcoming academic session.
- **Reopening of Schools and Continuation of Online Learning – 16th June, 2025:** Online classes for **English, Science, and Mathematics**, have resumed post summer break, continuing to support quality education across districts.



Workshop on Gender-Responsive Disaster Risk Reduction, Panna



Meeting with Principal and teachers, GGHS, Majhauri, Sidhi



Online classes resumed post summer break, Unchehra, Satna

UTTAR PRADESH



Quarterly Review and Annual Planning Meeting at Mobius HQ, Delhi

Reflecting, Reviewing & Planning Ahead: The GKS team, including all Coordinators, convened at the **Mobius Foundation Headquarters in Delhi** for a two-day **Quarterly Review and Annual Planning Meeting**. The discussions centered on learnings from training programs, execution challenges in the field, and planning for the rollout of **Class 9 & 10 pilot interventions, digital setups in 8 new KGBVs, and activities implementation** in the coming months.

- **Empowering Through Training & Certification:** District Coordinators from five districts – Chitrakoot, Banda, Kaushambi, Mahoba and Hamirpur – completed **six certified trainings and three thematic webinars** on cutting-edge topics such as Artificial Intelligence, Inclusive Education, Adolescent Psychology, and Mental Health Support. These learnings are already being translated into classroom practices and Ayojika training modules, reinforcing the project's focus on quality and innovation.



Liaison visits to key district-level stakeholders: (Left) DM Chitrakoot; (Right) BSA Kaushambi



Strategic Liaisons & Annual Report Dissemination: The coordinators conducted extensive **liaison visits to key district-level stakeholders**, including District Magistrates, Basic Shiksha Adhikari (BSAs), and Health & Education Officers. These meetings facilitated the **sharing of the 2024–25 GKS Annual Report**, discussed health initiatives like HPV vaccination, and reinforced district-level collaboration for upcoming interventions.

Mobius Young Climate Leaders (MYCL) for Himalayan Development

The **Mobius Young Climate Leaders (MYCL)** initiative marked a major milestone with its **official launch in Kohima, Nagaland**, signifying the expansion of the programme across **North-eastern states (Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Tripura, Sikkim)**. Spearheaded by the **Climate Studies and Knowledge Solutions Centre**, in collaboration with the **Department of Environment, Forest and Climate Change** and the **Nagaland Board of Secondary Education**, the project is being implemented by **YouthNet** and supported by the **Mobius Foundation**.

The delegation from Mobius Foundation – **Mr. Pradip Burman (Chairman)**, **Mr. Praveen Garg (President)** and **Dr. Ram Boojh (Advisor)**, along with **Ms. Banajyotsna Baruah (Sr. Program Manager)** and **Ms. Suman Kumari (Project Associate)** met with **Shri Neiphiu Rio, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Nagaland**.



Mr. Pradip Burman, Chairman with Nagaland CM Shri Neiphiu Rio

Key discussions focused on the vision of MYCL, shared by Mr. Burman, and Mobius Foundation's other climate education initiatives, presented by Mr. Garg. Dr. Boojh presented the national

and state-level vision of MYCL. The Chief Minister welcomed the initiative and assured full state support. **More than 50 delegates**, including NGO representatives, academic experts, government officials, and youth leaders from across the eight North-eastern states, participated in the event. The program began with a welcome address by **Ms. Hekani Jakhalu, Hon'ble Advisor, Industries & Commerce, Govt. of Nagaland** followed by an overview by **Dr. Atoho Jakhalu, Project Lead. Mr. Burman and Mr. Garg** highlighted Mobius Foundation's climate commitment. The event's highlight was the address by **Shri T. R. Zeliang, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Nagaland**. He encouraged youth to drive the climate agenda and praised the MYCL initiative. **Shri Abu Metha, Advisor to CM, Govt. of Nagaland** concluded the session with a strong message on sustainable development.

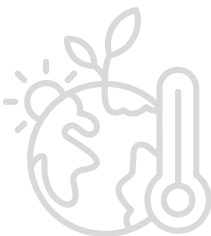


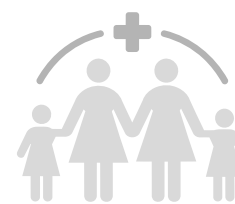
Official Launch – North-east India Project



Glimpses from the interaction

Following the launch, the Mobius team interacted with representatives from six prominent NGOs operating across the North-east region. These organizations are actively engaged in environmental conservation, climate education, sustainable livelihoods, and youth development.





Health Mela, Jarwal, Bahraich

Umeed 1.0:

Community outreach surged with the successful organization of the 18th Health Mela, engaging hundreds of eligible couples, adolescents and community members, while targeted training sessions empowered ANMs and ASHAs with enhanced knowledge and counselling skills.

Umeed 2.0:

Focused on elevating service quality by training Family Planning Counsellors in both technical expertise and empathetic communication, and by establishing Family Planning Counselling Corners (FPCCs) in Community and Primary Health Centres. The launch of dedicated Umeed Counselling Centres in Sitapur and other districts marks a significant milestone in accessibility and client-focused care. Furthermore, Rogi Kalyan Samiti sessions and strengthened interdepartmental coordination have fostered an ecosystem of sustained engagement and local ownership. Regular inspections and effective roster management ensure that services remain consistent and responsive to community needs.

Siddharthnagar:

June 2025 marked significant progress for Project Aakar in Siddharth Nagar, with **13 female sterilizations, 2 non-scalpel vasectomy (NSV) procedures, and 4 IUCD insertions** conducted. The NSV procedures at Uska Bazar were especially noteworthy, given the traditionally low male acceptance of family planning methods.



Meeting with Dr Sujit Kumar Pandey, Medical Officer In-Charge of CHC Khesraha, Siddharth Nagar



Counselling Corner at CHC Khesraha, Siddharthnagar

Review Visit - 24th June, 2025:

Undertaken by the Mobius team comprising Dr. Ram Boojh, Ms. Banajyotsna Baruah, Dr. Bhagyashree Kesharwani and Mr. Prabhat Kumar. The team visited CHC Khesraha and Panchayat Bhawan Dubai to assess on-ground project implementation, service readiness and community participation. Meaningful interactions with ASHAs, ANMs, field staff and beneficiaries to discuss challenges, best practices, and service delivery gaps. Interactive discussions with health workers to assess their knowledge, resolve queries, and reinforce key concepts in reproductive health services. Team met with Dr. Sujit Kumar Pandey, Medical Officer In-Charge (MOIC), expressed gratitude for Mobius Foundation's support in sustaining critical services through Clinical Outreach Teams (COT), particularly in underserved areas. He emphasized the need for routine counselling and greater male involvement in family planning.

Saran, Bihar:

Mobius Foundation has significantly advanced the reach and impact of the Aakar Project by expanding its footprint into Bihar. Building upon the remarkable achievements in Siddharthnagar, the Janani team empowered by the visionary support of the Mobius Foundation has extended its transformative family planning initiative to Saran district under a dedicated three-year project. This expansion reflects Mobius Foundation's steadfast commitment to strengthening reproductive healthcare at the grassroots level.

The project focuses on improving access to **quality Family Planning (FP) and reproductive health services through strategic interventions**. These include deploying Clinical Outreach Teams (COT), enhancing healthcare infrastructure, and investing in sustained capacity building. The initiative has placed special emphasis on community mobilization and client awareness through CHC/PHC cluster meetings and VHSND platforms.



Family Planning Counselling Kiosk design- CHC/PHC, Saran District, Bihar



Biogas/Compressed Biogas (CBG) Project



Glimpses from the Field Visits

Field Visit – 4th & 11th-12th June, 2025: Mr. Abhishek Patel, Project Manager, Mobius Foundation, conducted a field visit to the Sakhhi MPC operational area in Alwar, Rajasthan; and Indujaa MPC operational area in Yawatmal, Maharashtra, to review the on-ground implementation of the household biogas project.



Glimpses from the Field Visits

The visit aimed to assess both the progress of plant installations and the effectiveness of project branding. As part of the initiative, **207 and 338 household biogas plants, respectively**, have already been **successfully installed**, bringing sustainable energy solutions to rural communities. Each plant reflects the support of Mobius, recognizing the organization's commitment to clean energy and community empowerment.

Participation & Engagement





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Online Seminar -
5th June, 2025: Dr. Bhagyashree, Program Associate at Mobius Foundation, was invited as a speaker by Sri Sri University, Cuttack, Odisha, to commemorate World Environment Day 2025. In her address to young minds, she inspired action toward a sustainable future and also showcased the **flagship programs of Mobius Foundation**, highlighting the organization's commitment to environmental stewardship and sustainable development.

Brainstorming Workshop at IIT Delhi -

6th June, 2025: Dr. Sudheer K. Shukla, Head-Think Tank, participated in a workshop titled “Mainstreaming Rural Development in Academic and Research Programmes in the IIT System”.

Drawing from field experiences, he emphasized the importance of community-driven problem identification, mandatory rural immersion and field-based learning for IIT students, and the need to establish rural entrepreneurship and skill development centers for youth and women.

Dr. Sudheer also proposed creating a Pan-IIT platform to share rural technology solutions, prioritizing smart and scalable technologies such as renewable energy, sanitation, AI, and IoT, and adopting a cluster-based rural development approach every 10 km to help curb migration.



Glimpses from the workshop



Glimpses from the workshop

The workshop brought together key stakeholders from IITs, NITs, MoHUA, WWF, CEEW, the Gates Foundation, ASSOCHAM, and others. A strategy paper is now in progress, and we are optimistic that these collective insights will inform future academic programmes and policy frameworks for inclusive rural transformation.

First Assembly of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) -



16th June, 2025: The first Assembly of the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) was held with participation from delegates representing **nine countries**, along with key organisations such as **MoEF&CC, MEA, IUCN, UNDP India, FAO, WWF-India, and Mobius Foundation.**

Major outcomes included the **election of Hon'ble Minister Bhupender Yadav as IBCA President**, **ratification of the Headquarters Agreement with the Government of India**, endorsement of the **Steering Committee** and approval of key operational frameworks, and the formal oath-taking of **Dr. S.P. Yadav as Director General of IBCA.**

This marks a significant step forward in global efforts to protect **big cats** and **promote wildlife conservation.**



Environment Day Celebration

To mark **World Environment Day 2025**, our team came together to raise awareness around this year's theme— **Beat Plastic Pollution**. A short video – **"Plastic Ocean"** was screened, highlighting the alarming impact of plastic waste on marine life and ecosystems.

Adding an interactive twist, we hosted the **"Spot the Single-Use Plastic"** challenge, encouraging staff to identify common plastic items in everyday settings. The activity sparked thoughtful conversations and reflections on reducing plastic use. **Certificates of appreciation** were awarded to the winners of the challenge, recognizing their keen observation and commitment to sustainability.

The celebration was a reminder of our shared responsibility to protect the planet—starting with small steps in our daily lives.





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Certificates of Appreciation awarded to Ms. Niddhi Singh, Manager – PR; Dr. Sandip Tanu Mandal, Research Associate; and Mr. Hitesh Saini, Librarian.

Articles

Greening Growth in India

The article explores India's draft Climate Finance Taxonomy and its potential to align climate action with economic growth. It highlights key pathways for promoting sustainable investments, enhancing climate resilience, and strengthening India's leadership in green finance.

Authors: Mr. Praveen Garg, President, Mobius Foundation; Dr. Sudheer Kr. Shukla, Head-Think Tank, Mobius Foundation

Published in: [Millennium Post, 4 June, 2025](#)



Plastic Pradushan: Bhavishya Ki Nahi Aaj Ki Chunauti

The article highlights plastic pollution as an urgent issue, urging immediate action, sustainable practices, and global cooperation to combat its harmful impact and ensure a healthier, livable environment for the future.

Authors: Dr. Sudheer Kr. Shukla, Head-Think Tank, Mobius Foundation

Published in: [Deshbandhu, 5 June, 2025](#)



Taming the Silent Killer

Heatwaves and extreme spells of heat are not mere seasonal events in light changing climate. Their intensity and frequency —both are on the rise. These should be considered as climate disasters, as highlighted by scientists. Although in India, heatwaves are gradually being integrated into disaster preparedness and management, a more local and decentralised approach with a focus on long-term mitigation strategy has to be strengthened.

Authors: Dr. Sudheer Kr. Shukla, Head-Think Tank, Mobius Foundation, Dr. Sandip Tanu Mandal, Research Associate, Mobius Foundation

Published in: [Millennium Post, 13 June, 2025](#)





Tel Risaav: Kerala Ki Uthti Ek Viashvik Paryavaran Chetavni



The article examines the recent oil spill off Kerala's coast and its broader environmental, social, and policy implications. It also outlines actionable steps for better preparedness and marine ecosystem protection.

Authors: Dr. Sudheer Kr. Shukla, Head-Think Tank, Mobius Foundation

Published in: [Deshbandhu, 19 June, 2025](#)

Kerala's Wake-up Call and a Global Crisis Unfolding



This article highlights the alarming environmental, health, and policy implications of the recent MSC ELSA 3 oil spill off Kerala's coast—and why it signals a larger global crisis in marine governance.

The article outlines a four-pronged strategy for stronger prevention, faster response, and community resilience:

- 1.Strengthen maritime regulations
- 2.Establish state-level rapid response units
- 3.Hold polluters accountable
- 4.Empower coastal communities.

Authors: Mr. Praveen Garg, President, Mobius Foundation; Dr. Sudheer Kr. Shukla, Head-Think Tank, Mobius Foundation

Published in: [The New Indian Express, 21 June, 2025](#)

Endocrine Disruptors in plastic waste: a new public health threat



The article highlights the rising public health risks associated with endocrine-disrupting chemicals (EDCs) found in plastic waste—linked to infertility, hormonal imbalances, developmental disorders, and certain cancers.

As plastic pollution continues to escalate, these hidden chemical threats demand urgent attention.

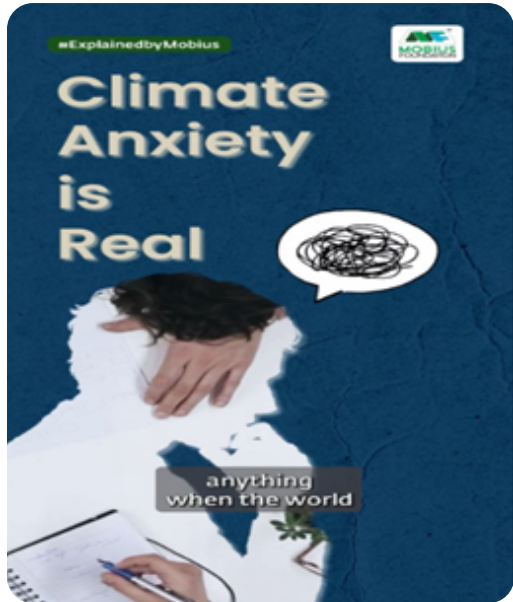
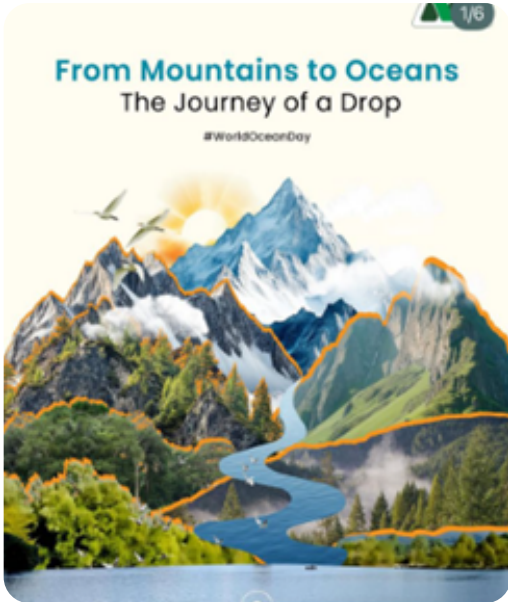
Authors: Dr. Sudheer Kr. Shukla, Head-Think Tank, Mobius Foundation

Published in: [The Hindu, 30 June, 2025](#)

Digital Campaign



#ExplainedByMobius - Educational & Awareness Content



Impressions - 1,13,589 | Reach - 77,529 | Engagement - 5,093

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