

Webinar: GRIHA Council celebrates World Environment Day, 5th June, 2020

Query	GRIHA Council's Response
Will you provide an e-certificate?	Yes, e-certificate will be provided within 15 working days. The same will be sent to your registered email id.
Photocatalytic nano coating on exterior of a building can de-pollute the environment around the building. Are we looking for such a coating in India? We have developed such a coating in India. Will Griha support such a coating in India?	GRIHA Product Catalogue is an online product catalogue which has been developed to provide green building designers and clients with all necessary information on green building products which can be used in order to make buildings GRIHA compliant. To know more details, click here: https://www.grihaindia.org/register-product For more queries: You may email to any of the following emails: ankit.bhalla@grihaindia.org or info@grihaindia.org
How can an architect contribute to the cities to change their micro and macro- climate?	Architects can play a major role in contributing towards the macro and micro climate by adopting passive strategies during the design phase of the project at the maximum extent possible.
How can we learn from these present pandemic situations for our environment improvement?	The global disruption triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic has brought various environmental and climate impacts. It not only has enormous impacts on most aspects of human activities, but also on the economies and health care systems. Lockdowns, quarantines and border closures in the wake of the pandemic have resulted in air pollution reductions through decreased travel and development. Such positive effects on the environment are possibly only temporary, but may serve as an example of how improvements in our way of life can have immediate positive effects on the environment and illustrate the effectiveness of travel-reducing steps such as teleconferences. To contribute towards the welfare of people and to tackle the novel corona crisis, GRIHA Council has developed Building Fitness Indicator (BFI). It is developed as a self-assessment tool that will allow building/organization owners to measure the preparedness of the workplaces for the workforce in order to prevent exposure to COVID-19. To know more, you can visit the link https://www.bfi.grihaindia.org/about

<p>Will it not be better to Aggressively promote Utilization of Ash for products than allowing Clay Bricks which use Fertile Top Soil & emitting GHG gases alongside PM 2.5 matters? Please Share TERI-GRIHA policy advocacy initiatives for Fly Ash Bricks & Blocks?</p>	<p>GRIHA Variants advocates utilization of BIS recommended waste materials such as fly ash, etc., in both structural and non-structural application of a project.</p>
<p>Requested to share contact details of speakers.</p>	<p>Neer Foundation theneerfoundation@gmail.com</p> <p>Green Yatra pradeep@greenyatra.org</p>
<p>As said by Mr. Ramakant that this pandemic is bringing out many systematic and institutional faults into light. What's your view on shifting towards renewable and cleaner energy sources?</p>	<p>GRIHA being a 'National Rating System' ensure renewable energy utilization in projects to offset a certain part of that project's energy consumption. GRIHA Council believes that pandemic or otherwise, renewable energy utilization is vital to mitigate the negative effects of climate change. Renewable energy utilization also ensures energy security for the country apart from the other environmental benefits.</p>
<p>Can we attain more details on the LR compost pit? The mechanism of the compost pit.</p>	<p>Yes Sure, please share your email id, and we shall email you its details. Or write to us on theneerfoundation@gmail.com, And we shall send you.</p>
<p>Why do we always go for corrective action once the damage is done? Why don't we foresee things and take preventive action. Going forward, what are few of the preventive actions that you suggest?</p>	<p>Rightly said. Environmental factors shall stay in their original glory and for that we need stricter employment of laws and regulations. Some actions should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No disposal of untreated sewage and industrial waste in river bodies. • Minimize Dam projects to let the regional flora & fauna survive. • Limit the use of chemical pesticides and fertilizers. • Encroaching or disturbing ponds should be a punishable offence. • Put a limit to water use per household. <p>These are some suggestive actions which can be put in force to safeguard our surroundings.</p>

<p>China has built >86,000 dams for water, India has <8000. Shall environmentalists stall dam projects, in the name of biodiversity when our cities are thirsty?</p>	<p>Cities are thirsty today because we have overgrowing population in the same square foot region, with increasing demands. Dams can provide relief to water problems only for a time period, as its side effects will start affecting us more badly in future. The government must be focusing on recharging groundwater through ponds and lakes and rainwater harvesting infrastructures. Biodiversity is an important part of our planet's life cycle which has an indirect effect on our climate as well as on us.</p>
<p>How many cities benefited from your program and whether this work is supported by any funding agency and who all are working in this program (students or workers).</p>	<p>We have touched base in around 10 districts of Uttar Pradesh state with our programs related to Rivers and organic farming. NEER's activities are often self designed and we engage with local authorities and district government bodies to put them in effect. Most projects are pursued through in kind support from various stakeholders and others are sponsored to an extent by a funding agency, if possible. Social activists, community members, villages, students, local authority and anyone who is keen on lending a hand is part of our drives.</p>
<p>If anyone wants to join your group how he or she can be a part of your group</p>	<p>Just reach out to us on theneerfoundation@gmail.com</p>
<p>Request to share LR compost pit layout details on Swastik959@gmail.com</p>	<p>Yes, done.</p>
<p>How can we be a part of NEER foundation?</p>	<p>You are most welcome. Please write to us at theneerfoundation@gmail.com</p>
<p>Why do we always go for Corrective action once the damage is done? Why don't we foresee things and take preventative action?</p>	<p>It shows our carelessness and seriousness toward the environment, if people start raising their voice against any damage then concerned bodies take corrective action otherwise who cares.</p> <p>Because still the environment is not in our priority list. I will suggest no development in eco sensitive zones. If it's not possible then sustainable development is the answer, but we should adopt it seriously not only on papers. E.g. If we are doing any development in an environmental zone, then 1st we should look for alternative paths.</p> <p>Yes, it can be a bit expensive, but it is worth it. If an</p>

	<p>alternative is not available, then we should use the methods/ technologies which will cause minimal damage. And damage compensation should be done as soon as the project is confirmed. There should be some independent expert's body who keeps a close watch on damage compensation work.</p>
<p>Please share your mail id and contact on Swastik959@gmail.com.Would like to join the NGL.</p>	<p>People can reach out to us on info@greenyatra.org</p>
<p>How can we be a part of the Green Yatra foundation?</p>	<p>For volunteering opportunity please visit: www.greenyatra.org for job drop your CV on work@greenyatra.org</p>
<p>Why do we always go for Corrective action once the damage is done? Why don't we foresee things and take preventative action?</p>	<p>It shows our carelessness and seriousness toward the environment, if people start raising their voice against any damage then concerned bodies take corrective action otherwise who cares.</p> <p>Because still the environment is not in our priority list.</p> <p>I will suggest no development in eco sensitive zones. If it's not possible then sustainable development is the answer, but we should adopt it seriously not only on papers. E.g. If we are doing any development in an environmental zone, then 1st we should look for alternative paths.</p> <p>Yes, it can be a bit expensive, but it is worth it. If an alternative is not available, then we should use the methods/ technologies which will cause minimal damage. And damage compensation should be done as soon as the project is confirmed. There should be some independent expert's body who keeps a close watch on damage compensation work.</p>
<p>Please share your mail id and contact on Swastik959@gmail.com.Would like to join the NGL.</p>	<p>People can reach out to us on info@greenyatra.org</p>
<p>How can we be a part of the Green Yatra foundation?</p>	<p>For volunteering opportunity please visit: www.greenyatra.org for job drop your CV on work@greenyatra.org</p>