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Green Saviours

The official wording of the Sustainable Development Goal No.13 dedicated to CLIMATE CHANGE is "Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impact".

Countries around the globe have come together to tackle the menace of Climate Change by committing themselves to reach the 2030 agenda for Sustainable Development. Countries worldwide have adopted the Paris Agreement to limit global temperature rise to well below 2 degrees Celsius.

To limit emissions and to prevent climate change is not only the responsibility of the Government but it should be the collective effort from people around the world. This could be achieved by living a sustainable lifestyle and by adopting some sustainable measures like having less dependence on non renewable resources, reducing emissions, more innovations and technological advancements in renewable resources, restoring forest and ecosystems etc.

We had some great teachers, some without any formal education, have committed themselves in preservation and conservation of mother earth. This calendar is dedicated to some of the famous Indian Green Saviours to celebrate their contribution in restoring and rejuvenating our Planet!

May we all be inspired by them!



SHRI. SUNDARLAL BAHUGUNA

Environmentalist

Sunderlal Bahuguna was an eco-activist, A Gandhian peace worker and was the driving force behind the Chipko movement- A campaign to protect trees under threat from destruction. He has spent his life working to educate Indian villagers, protesting against ecological destruction and protecting the Himalayan Mountains.



14 - Makar Sankranti 26- Republic Day

JANUARY

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DR. RAJENDRA SINGH

Water Man of India

He played a catalysing role in the building of 8600 percolation ponds called as Johads in 1058 villages spread over 6500 sq km in nine districts of Rajasthan. His efforts have turned arid land cultivable, large densely afforested tracts into wildlife sanctuaries by water management and made dry rivers flow throughout the year. He introduced many community-led institutions in villages and initiated an awareness campaign for Gram Swavalamban in hundreds of villages.



02- World Wetlands Day 28- National Science Day

FEBRUARY

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DR. BINISH DESAL

Recycle Man of India

He is an innovator, who is continuously coming up with different ways of waste recycling and management. He developed P-block bricks made out of waste produced by paper mills and used them to build more than a thousand houses and toilets & roads in rural India. His company has developed around 150 eco-products and recycled more than 600 tonnes of waste.



- 03- World Wildlife Day 20- World Sparrow Day
- 21- World Forestry Day
- 22- World Water Day

MARCH

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DR. RAJAGOPALAN VASUDEVAN

Plastic Man of India

Padma Shri Dr. Rajagopalan Vasudevan is an Indian scientist working mainly in waste management. He has developed an innovative method to reuse plastic waste to construct better, more durable and very cost-effective roads. His road construction method is widely used to construct roads in rural india



18 - World Heritage Day

APRIL

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30,000 saplings.

SMT. TULASI GOWDA Encyclopedia of Forest

Padma Shri Tulsi Gowda is today known as the "Encyclopedia of Forests" because of her vast knowledge of various species of plants and herbs. Tulsi Gowda, a resident of Honali village in Karnataka, has worked for the environment for more than six decades and has planted over



22- International Biodiversity Day 23- World Turtle Day

MAY

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DR. BINDESHWAR PATHAK

Toilet Man of India

He is the founder of Sulabh International, an India-based social service organisation which works to promote human rights, environmental sanitation, non-conventional sources of energy, waste management and social reforms through education. Dr. Pathak has led the development of cost-effective and culturally appropriate toilets and related treatment systems.



- **05- World Environment Day**
- 08- World Ocean day
- 17- World Day to Combat Desertification

JUNE

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SHRI. KALMANE KAMEGOWDA

Pond Man of India

A shepherd in Karnataka, has created water structures for birds and wild animals. Kamegowda has dug 16 ponds single-handedly in the last 40 years. He has also created a three-acre banyan grove on the hillock, a Section 4 forest area, at the behest of the forest department.



28- World Nature Conservation Day 29- International Tiger Day

JULY

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SMT. JAMUNA TUDU

Lady Tarzan

Jamuna Tudu is an environmental activist. She prevented illegal felling of trees near her village, Maturkham in the state of Jharkhand and this later expanded into an organisation, Van Suraksha Samiti. Over the last 20 years, she has saved over 50 acres of forest across 300 villages in Jharkhand.



- 10- International Biodiesel Day
- 10- World Lion Day
- 12- World Elephant Day

AUGUST

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SMT. SAALUMARADA THIMMAKKA

Mother of Trees

She is known for her work in planting and tending to 385 banyan trees along a four-kilometre stretch of highway between Hulikal and Kudur. She has also planted nearly 8000 other trees.



- 18- International Coastal Clean Up Day
- 28- Green Consumer Day

SEPTEMBER

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SMT. KINKRI DEVI

Environmentalist

She is known for waging a war on illegal mining and quarrying in her native state of Himachal Pradesh. In spite of not knowing how to read and write, she was the one who educated the masses about the environment, and raised concerns about the effects of uncontrolled mining.



- 01 to 07- Wildlife Week 04- World Animal Day
- 13- International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
- 14- World Standards Day
- 24- International Day of Climate Action

OCTOBER

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SHRI. PAYENG JADAV

Forest Man of India

Born in the state of Assam in 1963, Payeng Jadav has spent 30 years of his life planting around 40 million trees to create a real man-made forest by changing a barren sandbar of the Brahmaputra, covering an area of 550 hectares of land which is known as 'Molai Kathoni'.



21- World Fisheries Day

NOVEMBER

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DR. ANIL PRAKASH Joshi

Mountain Man

He is the founder of the Himalayan Environmental Studies and Conservation Organisation (HESCO). Dr. Joshi has launched several social programmes, based on resource-based rural development. He has been successful in providing the villages with water mills, composting pits, toilets, plant-based drugs & herbal pesticides and rainwater harvesting techniques. His work has reshaped lives of about 5 lakh villagers.



- **02- National Pollution Prevention Day**
- 03- Bhopal Gas Tragedy Day
- 05- World Soil Day
- 11- International Mountain Day
- 14- National Energy Conservation Day

DECEMBER

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