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Restore 25-Acre Kithaganur Lake,
Benefiting 24,000+ Residents**

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Kithaganur Lake revival boosts water storage capacity by 22%

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Daimler Truck Innovation Centre India (DTIC), in partnership with United Way Bengaluru (UWBe), undertook the project under the latter's 'Wake the Lake' campaign, which focuses on restoring the city's degraded water bodies.

The two organisations formally handed the restored lake to the gram panchayat on June 5, on World Environment Day.

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feeder channels, leading to reduced water storage and a decline in ecological health.

The effort included scientific desilting, clearing and reviving water channels, fencing, biodiversity enhancement

and community engagement for lasting conservation.

The lake now supports 65 species of flora and fauna and is expected to sequester nine tonnes of carbon annually, benefiting 24,000 residents in the surrounding areas.

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Lake transforms from sewage pit to hosting flora and fauna

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THE 25-acre Kithaganur lake in East Bengaluru, which had long suffered from silt accumulation, sewage inflow, encroachments and blocked feeder channels, has now been rejuvenated, leading to a significant improvement in its ecological health and water-storage capacity.

The restoration has increased the lake's water-holding capacity by 22%, benefiting more than 24,000 residents in surrounding localities. The project involved scientific de-silting, strengthening and fencing of lake boundaries, clearing feeder channels, biodiversity enhancement measures and community engagement activities aimed at ensuring long-term conservation of the water body.

The lake, which had gradually lost much of its capacity due to years of neglect and urban pressure, now supports nearly 65 species of flora and fauna. Environmental experts associated with the project estimate that the restored ecosystem will contribute close to nine tonnes of carbon sequestration annually, while also improving groundwater recharge and local biodiversity.



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The rejuvenated lake was formally handed over to the gram panchayat on June 5, coinciding with World Environment Day. Speaking at the event, Mahadevpura MLA Manjula Arvind Limbavali said lake restoration should be followed by sustained efforts to protect the ecosystem and prevent it from slipping back into a degraded state. She stressed the need for active participation from local authorities, waste management teams and residents in safeguarding the lake.

The restoration was undertaken under the Wake the Lake

initiative, a programme focused on reviving Bengaluru's rapidly shrinking and polluted water bodies. The restoration was undertaken through a collaborative effort involving Daimler Truck Innovation Center India, United Way Bengaluru, local authorities and community stakeholders. Stakeholders involved in the project said the revival of Kithaganur Lake demonstrates how scientific restoration and community participation can help improve urban water security while restoring ecological balance in the city.

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Kithaganur lake rejuvenated

BENGALURU: Daimler Truck Innovation Center India (DTI-CI), in partnership with United Way Bengaluru (UWBe), has successfully restored the 25-acre Kithaganur Lake in East Bengaluru, benefiting more than 24,000 residents and significantly improving the local ecosystem.

The rejuvenated lake was formally handed over to the local gram panchayat on World Environment Day, June 5, under UWBe's flagship "Wake the Lake" initiative. The restoration project has increased the lake's water-holding capacity by 22 per cent, helping improve groundwater recharge and water security in the surrounding areas.

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Bengaluru (City Times) : Daimler Truck Innovation Center India (DTICI), in partnership with United Way Bengaluru (UWBe), has completed the rejuvenation of the 25-acre Kithaganur Lake in East Bengaluru under the Wake the Lake campaign. The restored lake was formally handed over to the gram panchayat on World Environment Day. The project has increased the lake's water-holding capacity by 22 per cent, benefiting over 24,000 residents. The lake now supports nearly 65 species of flora and fauna and is expected to sequester around nine tonnes of carbon annually.

The rejuvenation included scientific de-silting, restoration of feeder

channels, fencing, biodiversity enhancement and community engagement. The lake had suffered from silt accumulation, sewage inflow and encroachments over the years. Mahadevpura MLA Manjula Arvind Limbavali lauded the initiative and called for collective efforts to protect the lake. DTICI Managing Director and CEO Radhakrishna Kodakkal said the project reflects the company's commitment to sustainable urban development and environmental conservation. UWBe Director Sriram Ananthanarayan said the initiative strengthens Bengaluru's water security while promoting community ownership of natural resources.

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BENGALURU (GC) : Daimler Truck Innovation Center India, in partnership with United Way Bengaluru (UWBe), has supported the rejuvenation of Kithaganur Lake, a 25-acre water body in East Bengaluru, under UWBe's flagship Wake the Lake campaign. The rejuvenated lake was formally handed over to the gram panchayat on June 5, World Environment Day, reinforcing the shared vision of restoring Bengaluru's vital water ecosystems.

The intervention has resulted in a 22% increase in the lake's water-holding capacity, benefiting over 24,000 residents in the surrounding communities. The rejuvenated lake now supports approximately 65 species of flora and fauna and is expected to contribute nearly 9 tonnes of carbon sequestration annually.

Over the years, Kithaganur Lake has suffered from silt accumulation, sewage inflow, encroachments, and blocked feeder channels, reducing its water-holding capacity and affecting the surrounding ecosystem. The rejuvenation has involved scientific de-silting, fencing, clearing water channels, biodiversity enhancement, and community engagement to ensure long-term conservation.



Speaking at the handover ceremony, Smt. Manjula Arvind Limbavali, MLA, Mahadevpura Constituency, appreciated the collaborative efforts that brought Kithaganur Lake back to life and emphasized that lake rejuvenation is only the first step in a longer journey of environmental stewardship. She noted that the Solid Waste Management team must now play an active role in supporting the next phase of the lake's development. She further urged the community, local authorities, and all stakeholders to take collective responsibility for protecting the lake, ensuring that it does not fall back into previous state. "A rejuvenated lake can remain healthy only when every citizen becomes its guardian.

It is our shared responsibility to preserve this asset for future generations," she said.

"The rejuvenation of Kithaganur Lake is a powerful example of how collaborative action can drive meaningful impact. Through our partnership with United Way Bengaluru, and a close collaboration with Shishu Mandir, Panchayath, we are proud to contribute to sustainable urban development and help create lasting benefits for both communities and the environment", said, Mr. Radhakrishna Kodakkal – Managing Director and CEO, Daimler Truck Innovation Center India

"Lakes are among Bengaluru's most valuable natural assets. Through the 'Wake the Lake' campaign, we are not only rejuvenating water bodies but also fostering community ownership and creating sustainable environmental impact. By bringing together committed partners such as Daimler Truck Innovation Center India, local communities, and government stakeholders, we are creating healthier ecosystems and a more water-secure Bengaluru, said Sriram Ananthanarayan, Director, United Way Bengaluru.

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With the restoration of Kithaganur Lake, Daimler Truck Innovation Center India strengthens its commitment to environmental conservation – Prakruthi Mitra, sustainable urban development, and creating lasting positive impact for communities through ecological restoration.

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ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನ: 24 ಸಾವಿರಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ನಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಲಾಭ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

ಡೈಮ್ಲರ್ ಟ್ರಕ್ ಇನ್‌ಲೋವೇಷನ್ ಸೆಂಟರ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಪ್ರೈವೇಟ್ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ಸಹಭಾಗಿತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಪೂರ್ವ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ 25 ಏಕರೆ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣದ ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾಗಿ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನಗೊಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇದರ ಪ್ರಯೋಜನವನ್ನು 24,000ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ನಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಪಡೆಯಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ 'ವೇಕ್ ದ ಲೇಕ್' ಅಭಿಯಾನದಡಿ ಕೈಗೊಂಡ ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆರೆಯ ಪುನಶ್ಚೇತನ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಿ, ಜೂನ್ 5ರಂದು ವಿಶ್ವ ಪರಿಸರ ದಿನಾಚರಣೆಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿಗೆ ಅಧಿಕೃತವಾಗಿ ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸಲಾಯಿತು.

ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಜಲ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಪರಿಸರ ಪುನರುತ್ಥಾನದತ್ತ ಮಹತ್ವದ ಹೆಜ್ಜೆಯಾಗಿ ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರ ಸಮಾರಂಭದಲ್ಲಿ



ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ ಮಹದೇವಪುರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದ ಶಾಸಕಿ ಮಂಜುಳಾ ಅರವಿಂದ ಲಿಂಬಾವಳಿ ಅವರು, ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಮರುಜೀವಂತಗೊಳಿಸಿದ ಎಲ್ಲ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಗಳನ್ನು ಶ್ಲಾಘಿಸಿದರು. ಕೆರೆ

ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನವು ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯ ದೀರ್ಘ ಪಯಣದ ಮೊದಲ ಹೆಜ್ಜೆಯಷ್ಟೇ ಆಗಿದ್ದು, ಮುಂದಿನ ಹಂತಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಘನ ತ್ಯಾಜ್ಯ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ ಸೇರಿದಂತೆ ವಿವಿಧ ಕ್ರಮಗಳ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆರೆಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯಕರ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು. "ಕೆರೆಯು ಮತ್ತೆ ಹಿಂದಿನ ದುಸ್ಥಿತಿಗೆ ತಲುಪದಂತೆ ಸಮುದಾಯ, ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಆಡಳಿತ ಮತ್ತು ಎಲ್ಲ ಹಿತಾಸಕ್ತಿಪಕ್ಷಗಳು ಒಟ್ಟಾಗಿ ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರಿ ವಹಿಸಬೇಕು.

ಭವಿಷ್ಯದ ಪೀಳಿಗೆಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಅಮೂಲ್ಯ ಜಲ ಸಂಪತ್ತನ್ನು ಉಳಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ನಮ್ಮೆಲ್ಲರ ಕರ್ತವ್ಯವಾಗಿದೆ," ಎಂದು ಅವರು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು. ಡೈಮ್ಲರ್ ಟ್ರಕ್ ಇನ್‌ಲೋವೇಷನ್ ಸೆಂಟರ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾದ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಹಾಗೂ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ ರಾಧಾಕೃಷ್ಣ ಕೊಡಕ್ಕಲ್ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, "ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆಯ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನವು ಸಹಭಾಗಿತ್ವದ ಮೂಲಕ ಅರ್ಥಪೂರ್ಣ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ತರಬಹುದೆಂಬುದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತಮ ಉದಾಹರಣೆಯಾಗಿದೆ.

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ಶ್ಲಾಘಿಸಿದರು.

ಕೆರೆ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನವು ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯ ದೀರ್ಘ ಪಯಣದ ಮೊದಲ ಹೆಜ್ಜೆಯಷ್ಟೇ ಆಗಿದ್ದು, ಮುಂದಿನ ಹಂತಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಘನ ತ್ಯಾಜ್ಯ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ ಸೇರಿದಂತೆ ವಿವಿಧ ಕ್ರಮಗಳ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆರೆಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯಕರ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು. "ಕೆರೆಯು ಮತ್ತೆ ಹಿಂದಿನ ದುಸ್ಥಿತಿಗೆ ತಲುಪದಂತೆ ಸಮುದಾಯ, ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಆಡಳಿತ ಮತ್ತು ಎಲ್ಲ ಹಿತಾಸಕ್ತಿಪಕ್ಷಗಳು

ಒಟ್ಟಾಗಿ ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರಿ ವಹಿಸಬೇಕು. ಭವಿಷ್ಯದ ಪೀಳಿಗೆಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಅಮೂಲ್ಯ ಜಲ ಸಂಪತ್ತನ್ನು ಉಳಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ನಮ್ಮೆಲ್ಲರ ಕರ್ತವ್ಯವಾಗಿದೆ," ಎಂದು ಅವರು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.

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ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ ರಾಧಾಕೃಷ್ಣ ಕೊಡಕ್ಕಲ್ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, "ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆಯ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನವು ಸಹಭಾಗಿತ್ವದ ಮೂಲಕ ಅರ್ಥಪೂರ್ಣ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ತರಬಹುದೆಂಬುದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತಮ ಉದಾಹರಣೆಯಾಗಿದೆ.

ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ಪಿಐ ಮಂದಿರ ಹಾಗೂ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್‌ಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕೈಜೋಡಿಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಸುಸ್ಥಿರ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗೆ ಕೊಡುಗೆ ನೀಡುತ್ತಿರುವುದು ಸಂತಸದ ವಿಷಯವಾಗಿದೆ," ಎಂದರು.

ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಪರಿಣಾಮವಾಗಿ ಕೆರೆಯ ನೀರು ಸಂಗ್ರಹ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯವು ಶೇ.22ರಷ್ಟು ಹೆಚ್ಚಳ ಕಂಡಿದ್ದು, ಸುಮಾರು 65 ಜಾತಿಯ ಸಸ್ಯ ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರಾಣಿ ಸಂಕುಲಗಳಿಗೆ ಆಶ್ರಯ ತಾಣವಾಗಿ ರೂಪುಗೊಂಡಿದೆ. ಅಲ್ಲದೆ, ವರ್ಷಕ್ಕೆ ಸುಮಾರು 9 ಟನ್ ಕಾರ್ಬನ್ ಶೇಖರಣೆಗೆ ಸಹಕಾರಿಯಾಗಲಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಅಂದಾಜಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

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ಡೈವರ್ ಟ್ರಕ್ ಇನ್‌ಸೋಲೇಷನ್ ಸೆಂಟರ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಪೈವೆಟ್ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ಸಹಭಾಗಿತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಪೂರ್ವ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ 25 ಎಕರೆ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣದ ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆನ್ನು ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾಗಿ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನಗೊಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇದರ ಪ್ರಯೋಜನವನ್ನು 24,000ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ನಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಪಡೆಯಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ 'ವೇಕ್ ದ ಲೇಕ್' ಅಭಿಯಾನದಡಿ ಕೈಗೊಂಡ ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆರೆಯ ಪುನಶ್ಚೇತನ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಿ, ಜೂನ್ 20ರಂದು ವಿಶ್ವ ಪರಿಸರ ದಿನಾಚರಣೆಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್‌ಗೆ ಅಧಿಕೃತವಾಗಿ ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸಲಾಯಿತು.



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ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನ: 24 ಸಾವಿರಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ನಿವಾಸಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಲಾಭ



ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: ಡೈಮ್‌ಲ್ ಟ್ರಸ್ಟ್ ಇನ್‌ಫೋವೇಷನ್ ಸೆಂಟರ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಪ್ರೈವೇಟ್ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ಸಹಭಾಗಿತ್ವದಲ್ಲಿ ಪೂರ್ವ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ 25 ಏಕರ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣದ ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾಗಿ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನಗೊಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಇದರ ಪ್ರಯೋಜನವನ್ನು 24,000ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ನಿವಾಸಿಗಳು ಪಡೆಯಲಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ 'ವೇಕ್ ದ ಲೇಕ್' ಅಭಿಯಾನದಡಿ ಕೈಗೊಂಡ ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆರೆಯ ಪುನಶ್ಚೇತನ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಿ, ಜೂನ್ 5ರಂದು ವಿಶ್ವ ಪರಿಸರ ದಿನಾಚರಣೆಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಪಂಚಾಯತಿಗೆ ಅಧಿಕೃತವಾಗಿ ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸಲಾಯಿತು. ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯು ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ಜಲ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲಗಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಪರಿಸರ ಪುನರುತ್ಥಾನದತ್ತ ಮಹತ್ವದ ಹೆಜ್ಜೆಯಾಗಿ ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರ ಸಮಾರಂಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ ಮಹದೇವಪುರ ವಿಧಾನಸಭಾ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದ ಶಾಸಕಿ ಮಂಜುಳಾ ಅರವಿಂದ ಲಿಂಬಾವಳಿ ಅವರು, ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆಯನ್ನು ಮರುಜೀವಂತಗೊಳಿಸಿದ ಎಲ್ಲ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಸಮುದಾಯದ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಗಳನ್ನು ಶ್ಲಾಘಿಸಿದರು. ಕೆರೆ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನವು ಪರಿಸರ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯ ದೀರ್ಘ ಪಯಣದ ಮೊದಲ ಹೆಜ್ಜೆಯಷ್ಟೇ ಆಗಿದ್ದು, ಮುಂದಿನ ಹಂತಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಘನ ತ್ಯಾಜ್ಯ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆ ಸೇರಿದಂತೆ ವಿವಿಧ ಕ್ರಮಗಳ ಮೂಲಕ ಕೆರೆಯ ಆರೋಗ್ಯಕರ ಸ್ಥಿತಿಯನ್ನು ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರು.

"ಕೆರೆಯು ಮತ್ತೆ ಹಿಂದಿನ ದೃಶ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ತಲುಪದಂತೆ ಸಮುದಾಯ, ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಆಡಳಿತ ಮತ್ತು ಎಲ್ಲ ಹಿತಾಸಕ್ತಿಪಕ್ಷಗಳು ಒಟ್ಟಾಗಿ ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರಿ ವಹಿಸಬೇಕು. ಭವಿಷ್ಯದ ಪೀಳಿಗೆಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಅಮೂಲ್ಯ ಜಲ ಸಂಪತ್ತನ್ನು ಉಳಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ನಮ್ಮೆಲ್ಲರ ಕರ್ತವ್ಯವಾಗಿದೆ," ಎಂದು ಅವರು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.

ಡೈಮ್‌ಲ್ ಟ್ರಸ್ಟ್ ಇನ್‌ಫೋವೇಷನ್ ಸೆಂಟರ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾದ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಹಾಗೂ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ ರಾಧಾಕೃಷ್ಣ ಕೊಡಕ್ಕಲ್ ಮಾತನಾಡಿ, "ಕಿತ್ತಗನೂರು ಕೆರೆಯ ಪುನರುಜ್ಜೀವನವು ಸಹಭಾಗಿತ್ವದ ಮೂಲಕ ಅರ್ಥಪೂರ್ಣ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ತರಬಹುದೆಂಬುದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತಮ ಉದಾಹರಣೆಯಾಗಿದೆ. ಯುನೈಟೆಡ್ ವೇ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ಶಿಶು ಮಂದಿರ ಹಾಗೂ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್‌ಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕೈಜೋಡಿಸುವ ಮೂಲಕ ಸುಸ್ಥಿರ ನಗರಾಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗೆ ಕೊಡುಗೆ ನೀಡುತ್ತಿರುವುದು ಸಂತಸದ ವಿಷಯವಾಗಿದೆ," ಎಂದರು.

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Bengaluru

Kithaganur Lake: From sewage pit to hosting flora and fauna

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The 25-acre Kithaganur lake has been completely desilted and demarcated Express

BENGALURU: The 25-acre Kithaganur lake in East Bengaluru, which had long suffered from silt accumulation, sewage inflow, encroachments and blocked feeder channels, has now been rejuvenated, leading to a significant improvement in its ecological health and water-storage capacity.

The restoration has increased the lake's water-holding capacity by 22%, benefiting more than 24,000 residents in surrounding localities. The project involved scientific de-silting, strengthening and fencing of lake boundaries, clearing feeder channels, biodiversity enhancement measures and community

engagement activities aimed at ensuring long-term conservation of the water body.

The lake, which had gradually lost much of its capacity due to years of neglect and urban pressure, now supports nearly 65 species of flora and fauna. Environmental experts associated with the project estimate that the restored ecosystem will contribute close to nine tonnes of carbon sequestration annually, while also improving groundwater recharge and local biodiversity.

The rejuvenated lake was formally handed over to the gram panchayat on June 5, coinciding with World Environment Day. Speaking at the event, Mahadevpura MLA Manjula Arvind Limbavali said lake restoration should be followed by sustained efforts to protect the ecosystem and prevent it from slipping back into a degraded state. She stressed the need for active participation from local authorities, waste management teams and residents in safeguarding the lake.

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The restoration was undertaken through a collaborative effort involving Daimler Truck Innovation Center India, United Way Bengaluru, local authorities and community stakeholders. Stakeholders involved in the project said the revival of Kithaganur Lake demonstrates how scientific restoration and community participation can help improve urban water security while restoring ecological balance in the city.

<https://www.newindianexpress.com/cities/bengaluru/2026/Jun/19/kithaganur-lake-from-sewage-pit-to-hosting-flora-and-fauna>

Bengaluru: Kithaganur Lake revival boosts water storage capacity by 22%

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The restored lake, spanning 25 acres in east Bengaluru, was formally handed over to the gram panchayat on June 5, on World Environment Day.

Credit: DH PHOTO

Bengaluru: The rejuvenation of Kithaganur Lake, a water body spanning 25 acres in east [Bengaluru](#), has increased its storage capacity by 22%.

Bengaluru (UWBe), undertook the project under the latter's 'Wake the Lake' campaign, which focuses on restoring the city's degraded water bodies.

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Kithaganur Lake has faced years of neglect due to silt accumulation, sewage inflow, encroachments and blocked feeder channels, leading to reduced water storage and a decline in ecological health. The effort included scientific desilting, clearing and reviving water channels, fencing, biodiversity enhancement and community engagement for lasting conservation.

The lake now supports 65 species of flora and fauna and is expected to sequester nine tonnes of carbon annually, benefiting 24,000 residents in the surrounding areas.

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Restored Kithaganur Lake boosts water storage by 22%



The restoration of Kithaganur Lake in east Bengaluru has significantly improved the health of the 25-acre water body, increasing its storage capacity by 22 per cent and strengthening the local ecosystem.

The rejuvenation project was undertaken by Daimler Truck Innovation Centre India (DTICI) in partnership with United Way Bengaluru (UWBe) under the latter's 'Wake the Lake' initiative, which focuses on restoring degraded lakes across the city.

The restored lake was formally handed over to the local gram panchayat on June 5, coinciding with World Environment Day.

Years of degradation reversed

Kithaganur Lake had suffered from years of neglect due to silt accumulation, sewage inflow, encroachments and blocked feeder channels. These issues had severely reduced the lake's storage capacity and affected its ecological balance.

As part of the restoration effort, the project team carried out scientific desilting, revived feeder channels and improved water flow into the lake. Measures were also taken to prevent future degradation and ensure long-term sustainability.

Focus on biodiversity and conservation

Beyond improving water storage, the initiative also aimed to restore the lake's ecological value. Fencing was installed to protect the area, while biodiversity enhancement measures were introduced to support local flora and fauna.

According to project officials, the lake now supports 65 species of plants, birds and other wildlife, creating a healthier environment for both nature and nearby communities.

The project also included community engagement activities to encourage local residents to participate in conservation efforts and safeguard the water body in the future.

Benefits for residents and environment

The rejuvenated lake is expected to benefit nearly 24,000 residents living in surrounding areas by improving groundwater recharge, supporting biodiversity and enhancing environmental sustainability.

Officials estimate that the restored ecosystem will sequester around nine tonnes of carbon annually, contributing to climate resilience and urban environmental health.

The success of the Kithaganur Lake project highlights the growing importance of collaborative efforts between corporations, civic organisations and local communities in restoring Bengaluru's rapidly declining water bodies.

<https://m.dailyhunt.in/news/india/english/news+karnataka-epaper-newskarn/restored+kithaganur+lake+boosts+water+storage+by+22-newsid-n717643849>

Daimler Truck Innovation Center India and United Way Bengaluru rejuvenate Kithaganur Lake

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By The Hans India

Bengaluru: Daimler Truck Innovation Center India (DTICI), in partnership with United Way Bengaluru (UWBe), has successfully restored the 25-acre Kithaganur Lake in East Bengaluru, benefiting more than 24,000 residents and significantly improving the local ecosystem.

The rejuvenated lake was formally handed over to the local gram panchayat on World Environment Day, June 5, under UWBe's flagship "Wake the Lake" initiative. The restoration project has increased the lake's water-holding capacity by 22 per cent, helping improve groundwater recharge and water security in the surrounding areas.

Over the years, Kithaganur Lake had suffered from severe degradation due to silt accumulation, sewage inflow, encroachments, and blocked feeder channels. The restoration effort included scientific desilting, strengthening water channels, fencing, biodiversity enhancement, and community engagement to ensure the long-term sustainability of the water body.

The rejuvenated lake now supports around 65 species of flora and fauna and is expected to contribute nearly nine tonnes of carbon sequestration annually, making it an important environmental asset for the city.

Speaking at the handover ceremony, Mahadevapura MLA Manjula Arvind Limbavali praised the collaborative effort behind the project and stressed the importance of continued community participation in protecting the restored lake. She urged local authorities and residents to take collective responsibility to preserve the water body for future generations.

Radhakrishna Kodakkal, Managing Director and CEO of Daimler Truck Innovation Center India, said the project demonstrates how partnerships between corporate organisations, civic bodies, and communities can create lasting environmental and social impact.

United Way Bengaluru Director Sriram Ananthanarayan said lakes are among Bengaluru's most valuable natural resources and that the "Wake the Lake" campaign aims to improve water security while encouraging community ownership of restored ecosystems.

The restoration of Kithaganur Lake forms part of DTICI's broader environmental conservation initiative, "Prakruthi Mitra," which focuses on sustainable urban development and ecological restoration across Karnataka.

<https://www.thehansindia.com/karnataka/daimler-truck-innovation-center-india-and-united-way-bengaluru-rejuvenate-kithaganur-lake-1089309>



Restored Kithaganur Lake boosts water storage by 22%

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CSR: Daimler Truck Innovation Center Restores 25-Acre Kithaganur Lake

Lakes are among Bengaluru's most valuable natural assets.

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The rejuvenated lake now supports approximately 65 species of flora and fauna

BENGALURU (India CSR): Daimler Truck Innovation Center India, in partnership with United Way Bengaluru (UWBe), has supported the rejuvenation of Kithaganur Lake, a 25-acre water body in East Bengaluru, under UWBe's flagship Wake the Lake campaign. The rejuvenated lake was formally handed over to the gram panchayat on June 5, World Environment Day, reinforcing the shared vision of restoring Bengaluru's vital water ecosystems. Daimler Truck Innovation Center India (DTICI), headquartered in Bengaluru, came into existence on December 01, 2021.

DTICI is an innovation hub of Daimler Truck AG focused on Product Engineering and IT. DTICI, is one of the largest development centers of Daimler Truck AG outside Germany, housing a workforce of skilled engineers. DTICI focuses on holistic commercial vehicle innovation from vehicle engineering, powertrain engineering, software development for electronic control units, computer-aided engineering (CAE), computer-aided design (CAD), IT programming using complex engineering tools and methods.

The intervention has resulted in a 22% increase in the lake's water-holding capacity, benefiting over 24,000 residents in the surrounding communities. The rejuvenated lake now supports approximately 65 species of flora and fauna and is expected to contribute nearly 9 tonnes of carbon sequestration annually.



Kithaganur Lake. India CSR

Over the years, Kithaganur Lake has suffered from silt accumulation, sewage inflow, encroachments, and blocked feeder channels, reducing its water-holding capacity and affecting the surrounding ecosystem. The rejuvenation has involved scientific de-silting, fencing, clearing water channels, biodiversity enhancement, and community engagement to ensure long-term conservation.

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