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Discussion

- **Accessibility of Materials & Resources**
- **Biodiversity Conservation**
- **Mental Health**
- **Science education, bio-literacy and science policies**
- **Culture & Women's Science Education**



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Educator | Science Enthusiast |
Community Worker | Applied Researcher |
Enabling Advancing Communities |
Makerspace | Integrated Science | STEAM



Salman Promon
Bangladesh



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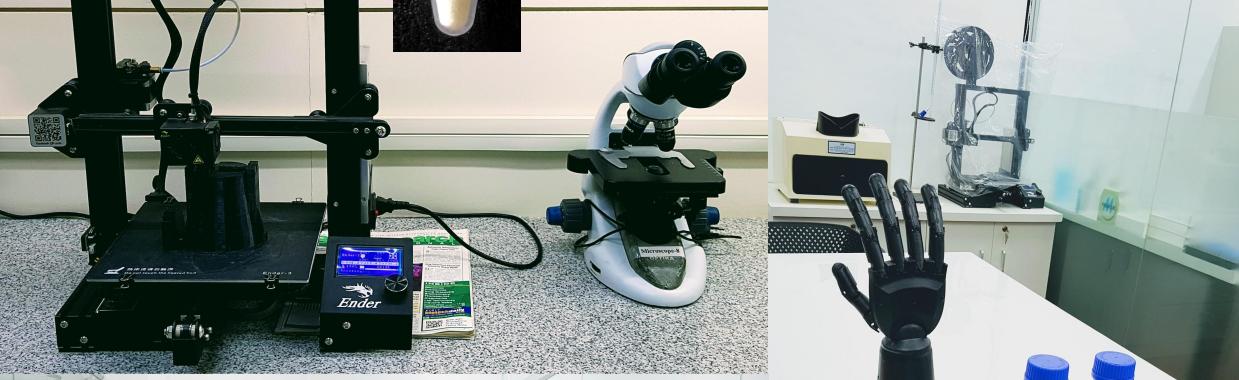
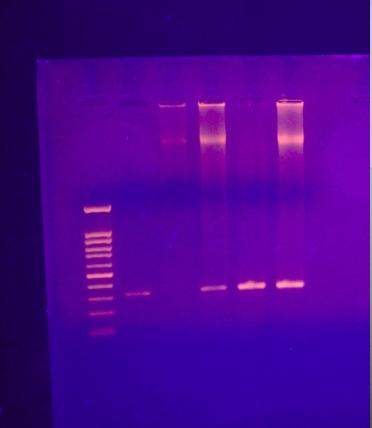
MECHAMIND







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An interdisciplinary expert with
the global experience in science,
engineering, sustainability & arts.

From Batticaloa, Sri Lanka and
based in Berlin, Germany.

Empowering underprivileged
youth in war affected regions by
enabling them to solve complex
local challenges on their own !!!

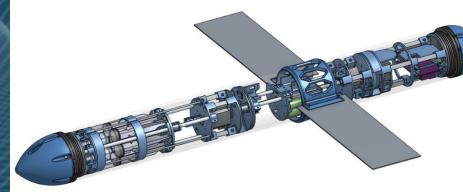


Aravinth Panch (He/His)
DreamSpace Academy



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DreamSpace Academy is a Community Innovation Center to tackle local socio-economic and environmental challenges using Challenge Based Learning.



**Maker
Education**



**Community
Innovation**



**International
Collaboration**

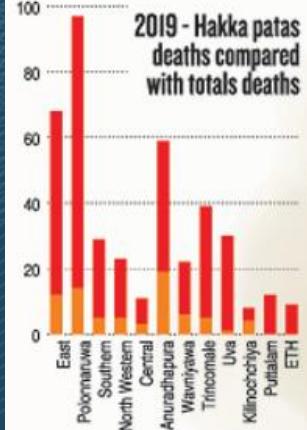
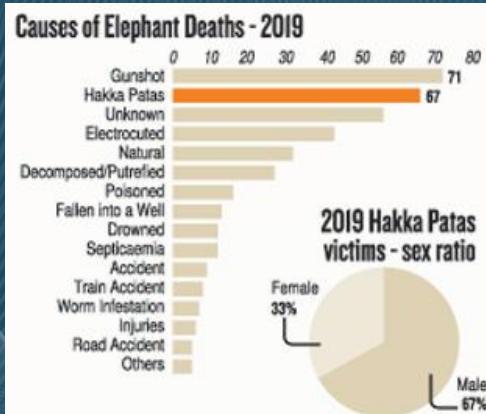
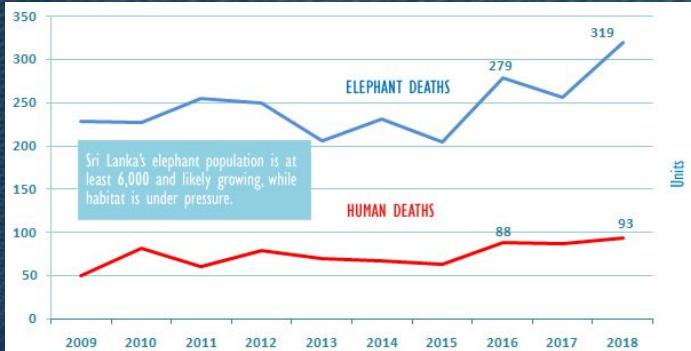


**Social
Entrepreneurship**





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Source: Department of Wildlife Conservation





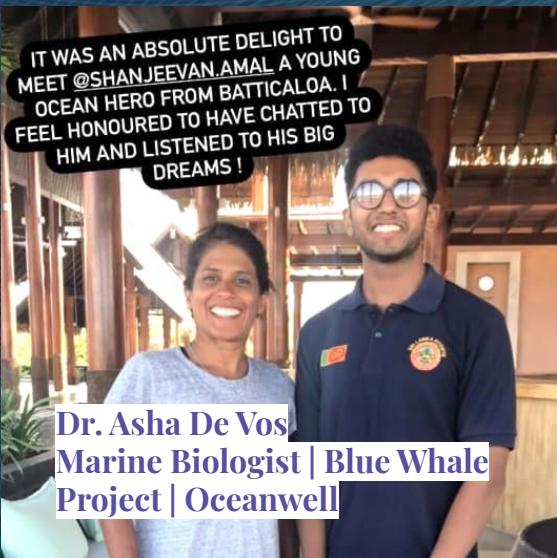
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blue
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Oceanswell

Oceans for all, forever



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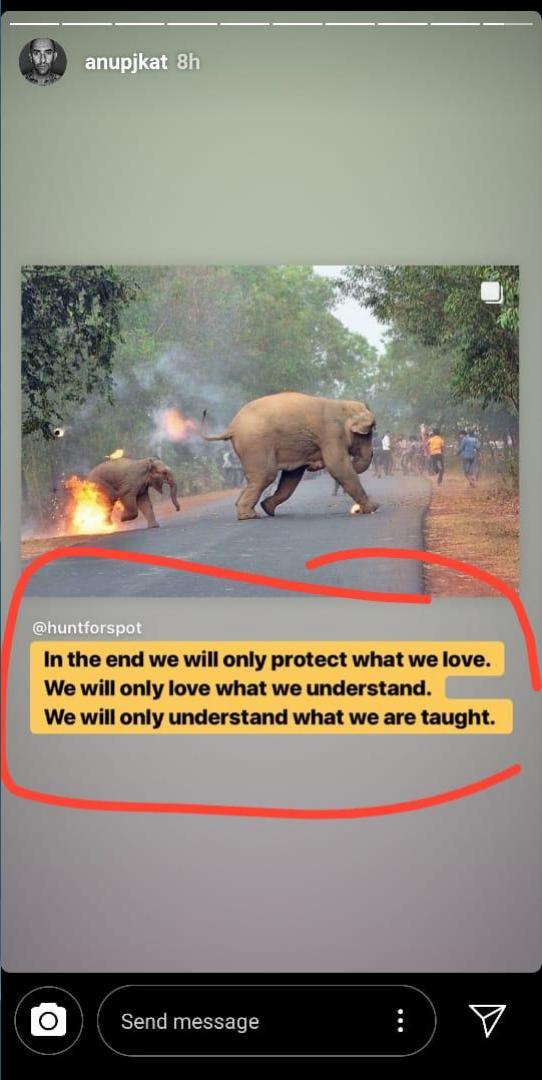




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- ***Encourage Local Efforts*** as exemplary actions for local conservation
- We as ***Global Audience*** become the guardians of our global ecosystem
- Social media outreach - ***Fact check, Step up and Voice out.***
- There is a need to go back to our roots - ***local stories of conservation.***

- ***Abhay Koushik***





Abhay Koushik

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Life-Sciences Master Student, CRI Paris
Aspiring Neuroscientist

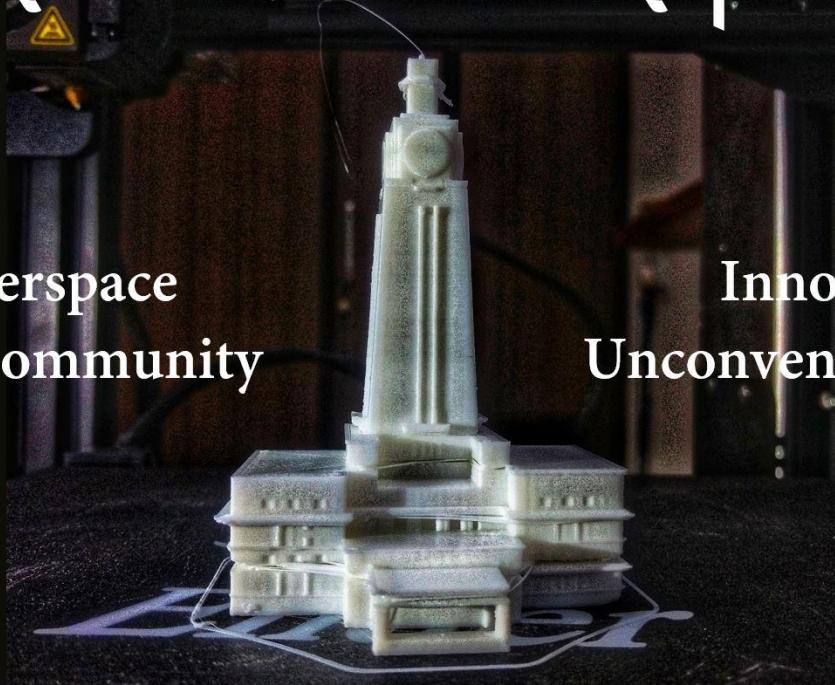




Srishtaara – bits pilani

Resourceful Makerspace
for the Student Community

Innovative Power of
Unconventional Learning



Multidisciplinary approach
to Creativity

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Neuroscience and Mental Health

- Education
- Awareness
- Diagnosis and Treatment
- Lifestyle - “We are what we repeatedly do”



Neuroscience and Mental Health

Ayurveda and Yoga

16 personality types*

- 7 Sattva
- 6 Raajasika
- 3 Taamasika

* Source: **Charaka Samhita** and **Sushrutha Samhita**



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*Developmental Neurobiologist, STEAM Educator,
and Change maker, Foldscope Fellow*

Lifelong learner aspiring to translate my knowledge to solve the problems in underprivileged communities like urban slums in an interdisciplinary approach.

“Real Knowledge is to know the extent of one's ignorance.”

People to realize the fierce, fragile, and beautiful life within and surrounding them, so on a mission to bio-literate people in my community (Dharavi- urban slum).

I introduce the beauty in the microscopic world to the people and believe that biological intervention in Rural development can improve the quality of life.



Sonali Kadam



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Science for Society

Educate women and their community will prosper. Deny education and the world will suffer.

Rural & Tribal development issues solved through science education. Eg: Behaviour change in improved sanitation & hygiene in open defecation predominant area.

Science education in urban slums: affordable & accessible.



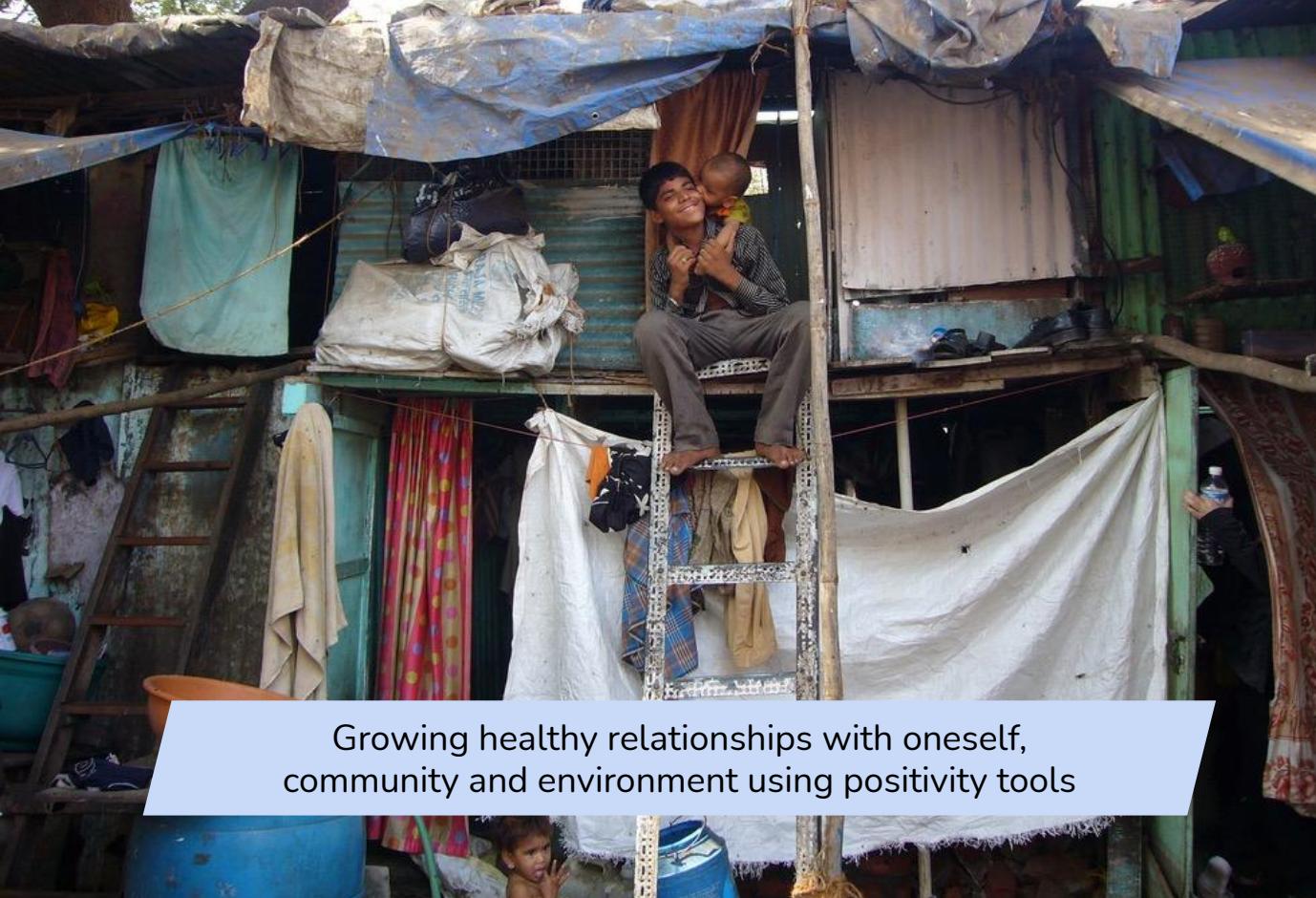


Tools for understanding the world around us and building inner strength

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Building Community Resilience



Growing healthy relationships with oneself, community and environment using positivity tools





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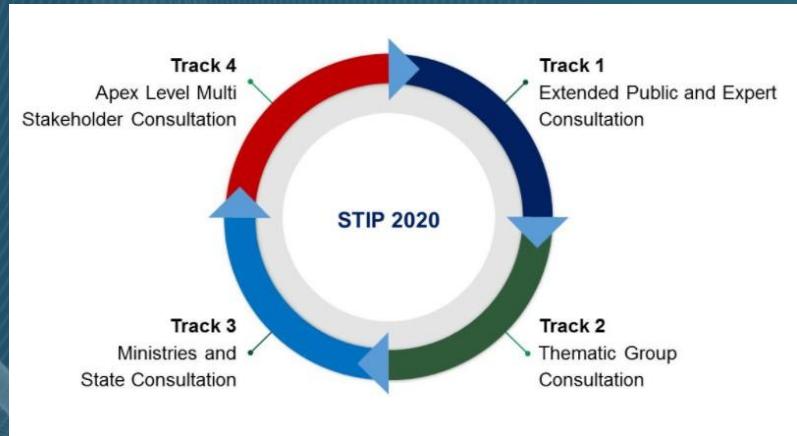
WHAT'S COMMON?

- Deforestation in Sri Lanka
- Coral reef conservation in Maldives
- Human and wildlife conflict in Bhutan



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- Issue of representation-community and individual
- Community-driven governance & ownership
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**Research
Innovation
Enterprise
2020 Plan**



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OPEN DISCUSSION



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What will it take to sustain these connections?

What will it take to keep the momentum going?

Sign up link to stay connected:

[Sign Up Link for Asians](#)



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Group Photo!!



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THANK YOU!

