

Sustain4ward

Your actions matter !



Problem Statement

Excess production and consumption of environmentally hazardous products have increased carbon footprint, this mostly happens as people are unaware of the footprint contributed by them, also because any action taken doesn't have immediate return.

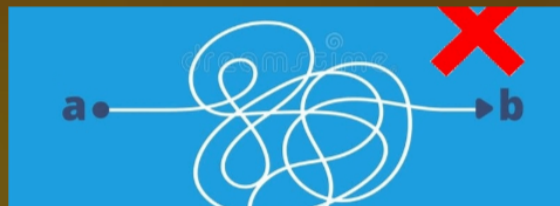
Challenges

Why most people don't take any action?



Long-term return

There is no immediate result / reward that is apparent. Hence makes people **reluctant** to act. Instead, a certification system that **recognizes the effort** put and **encourages** further participation can help.



Statistics, phew!

Not everyone can grasp a complex Gauge chart. The need of the hour has to be presented in a **relatable** way using **day-to-day** life terms to make it **universally understandable**, not just for statisticians.

Objectives

Key steps in creating awareness as well as incentivize people to take action



Create an inclusive environment

An app to know the various Eco-friendly activities being organized locally and to **reward participation by certificates**.



Gain traction!

As users **share their certificates** and create posts, it creates a **snowball effect**, more people join the cause.

After all, it should be **effortless** enough for people to consider using it!



Blend with consumer experience.

A **chrome extension** that calculates eco and carbon footprint of products while shopping online, using **chatGPT**. As well as suggesting **greener alternatives** to the same.



ChatGPT used for more accurate results.



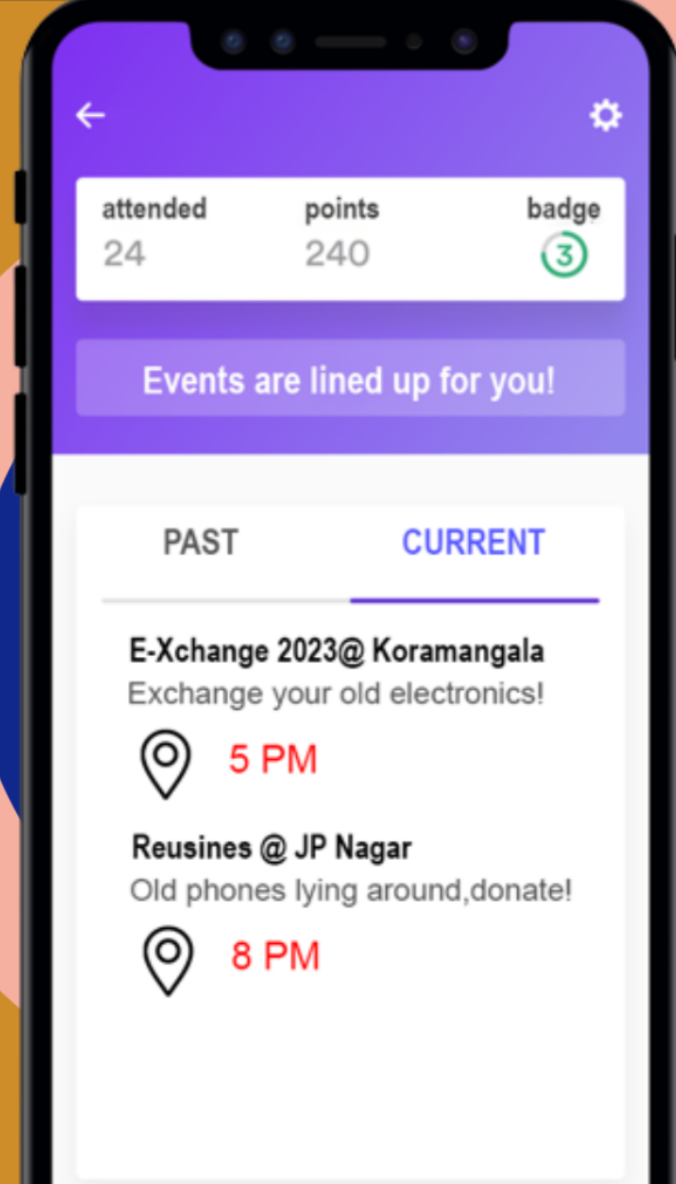
Live Display of CO₂ emission

Chrome extension to provide key information about carbon footprint caused by product in current webpage and suggest greener alternatives

Solution



Know about local
eco-friendly
activities / events
around you.



Reward participation.



CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

THIS CERTIFICATE RECOGNIZES THE CONTRIBUTION OF

Sathwik S M

The above person has contributed to the UN goal of responsible consumption & production by going green and creating an overall carbon offset of 0.5 tons as of Feb 6 2023. Also taken part in 3 different environment-related activities.

Feb 6 2023

DATE



SIGNATURE



Venn Diagram



Tech Stack



ChatGPT is used just to get a rougher estimate of a product's footprint to be displayed to the user. It also compare with better alternatives. All the logic handling product suggestions is made by backend.

To make it failproof, there is a backup of commonly used products' footprints estimated beforehand stored in mongoDB. This is used just in case chatGPT is at capacity.

It's all an equation !

$$I = P \times A \times T$$

The diagram shows the equation $I = P \times A \times T$ in large, bold, black letters. Below each letter is an upward-pointing arrow. Under the arrow for 'I' is the text 'total impact'. Under the arrow for 'P' is the text 'population'. Under the arrow for 'A' is the text 'affluence'. Under the arrow for 'T' is the text 'technology'.

As population and affluence (consumption) are expected to increase as living standards worldwide increase, the only way to reduce impact on planet is **to reduce T by a huge factor** . Furthermore, A and T are coupled.

Business prospect.



- Partnering up with companies that produce green products, making sure that manufacturing processes they use are harmless or least harmful and suggesting them as alternatives in the chrome extension.
- Crowdfunding
- Grants, subsidies and financing available through govt for eco friendly companies
- web app or extension as a platform for eco-friendly ads by different organisations.

THANK YOU

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