



GREEN LITERATURE FESTIVAL

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A day out with India's most definitive green literature

India's only festival dedicated to all forms of literature on the environment promises to be a fiesta for nature lovers

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celebrate writing on the environment in three categories: business, general fiction and non-fiction, and children. This year's shortlists include books by Ranjit Hoskote, Pranay Lal, Mridula Ramesh, Savita Hiremath, Mukund Rajan, Col. Rajeesh Kumar, Kavitha Iyer, Akshay Manwani, Bijal Vachharajani and Rohan Chakravarty. All the books curated by the festival for its awards would be available for browsing and sale at the venue, alongside other curated reads.

Green Day Out

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Sunday, 18 December, 2022
10 am to 4 pm

at Bangalore
International Centre



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1 **THING TO DO**

01 **Green lit!**



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Where: Bangalore International Centre
When: December 18, 10 am – 6 pm
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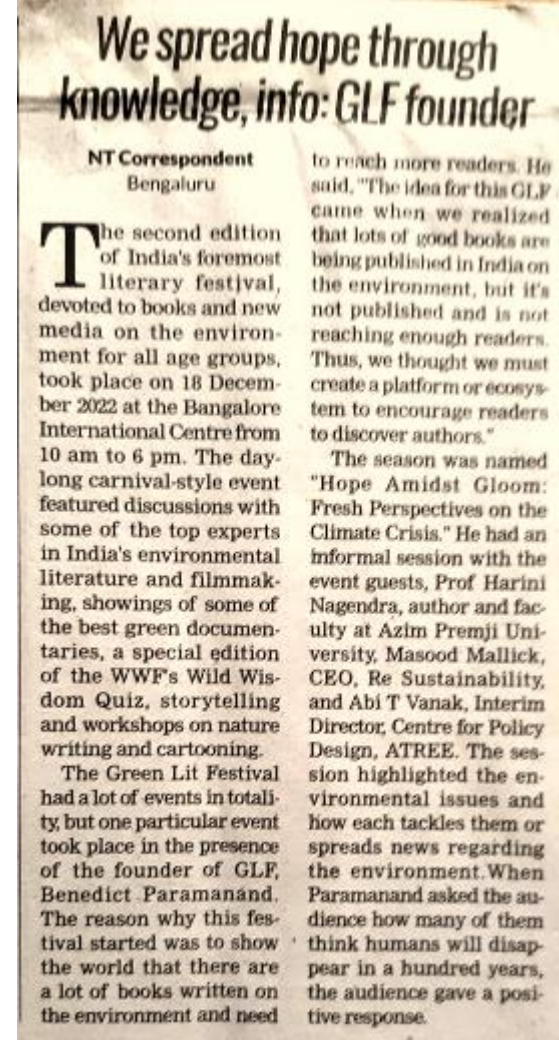
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Story of Panna should go back to children of Panna: Writer at GLF

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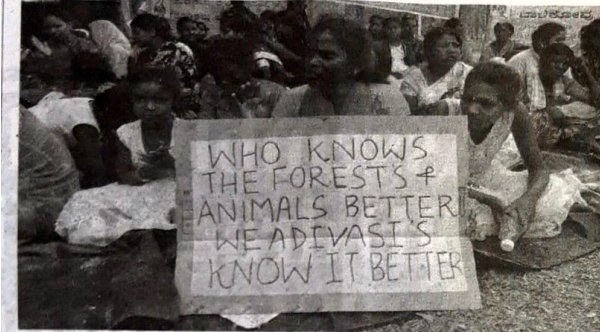
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The Jenu Kuruba tribe, which traditionally gathers honey and other forest produce, has lived within the Nagarhole National Park in Karnataka for generations. However, hundreds from the community have been evicted after authorities designated the park as a tiger reserve in 1999 and dismissed their claims for land rights under a 2006 federal law designed to protect them.

The Forest Rights Act (FRA) of 2006 has the objective to provide relief to tribals by recognising the right of at least 150 million of them to inhabit and live off about 40 million hectares of forest land. While states have been slow to implement the law, wildlife organisations and a handful of conservationists had filed a lawsuit against the FRA, claiming that it had caused deforestation and destroyed wildlife.

A member from the community staging protest at BIC can be seen in a video, "The conservation methods adapted by the WWF and other NGOs have entirely rid tribes from having a dialogue or say." The Jenu Kurubas have consistently maintained their narrative and said that they want to reside in the land of their ancestors. They have also said that they possess traditional knowledge to take care of forest

and animals and they would never destroy what is considered sacred to them. Protestors also brought light to the death of Cariappa, a member of the Jenu Kuruba tribe who resided in H D Kote was allegedly brutally beaten and harassed by Forest Department officials on suspicion of selling deer meat, succumbing to his injuries on 13 October.

"Indigenous communities are the best caretakers and frontline defenders of the environment. Conservation must celebrate and not evict and harass them. Down with false narratives of conservation and concealing the mistreatment of tribal communities in its name. Give adivasis the rights to their jal, jangal, jameen," said Fridays For Future, a people's initiative for climate justice who backed the tribal community in their protest.

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Date: 23-Dec-22



Nagarahole tribe protests at green lit fest

Jenu Kurubas allege the government has forced indigenous communities like them out of their traditional habitats

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TEAM METROLIFE

Seven members of the Jenu Kuruba tribe from Nagarahole forest demonstrated at a literature event in Bengaluru on Sunday to draw attention to the plight of indigenous communities. At 4.15 pm, during an awards session at Green Literature Festival (GLF) at Bangalore International Centre in Domlur, they stood up with placards, alleging that the forest department and leading wildlife conservation NGOs were responsible for evicting them from the forests.

They chose this literature festival as the protest site because the event had



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the World Wide Fund for Nature-India (WWF-India) as one of its partners.

"WWF-India was responsible for forcing out tribals from their homes in national parks like Kaziranga in Assam. So members of the Jenu Kuruba tribe are protesting against WWF-India in solidarity," claimed Sanjana, one of the four volunteers of Fridays for Future (FFF), Karnataka, who brought them to the venue.

A 2017 investigation by BBC said the rangers of the Kaziranga National Park had been given the powers to shoot

suspected poachers.

WWF, according to the report, funds, trains and equips park guards. Survival International, a human rights organisation, has questioned on its website this mode of conservation "resulting in gross human rights abuses". WWF has responded to the BBC report that they do not support any procedure that advocates 'shoot on sight policy'.

Closer home, a joint fact-finding report led by FFF Karnataka, published in May 2022, states that the tribal people living in the Nagarahole Tiger Reserve

did not relocate voluntarily but were forcibly evicted between 1980 and 2004.

The evictions were carried out by the forest department but a leading wildlife NGO supported them, claiming that the tribals were living in constant fear of wildlife, the report states. "About 35 of the 2,000 families now remain inside the forest," Sanjana points out.

JK Timma, one of the protestors at the venue, claimed, "It has been 12 years since we were allowed to enter the forest to worship our gods." Benedict Paramanand, organiser of GLF, wasn't aware of "the Jenu Kuruba tribe's issues with WWF" until they showed up at the event. "We offered them a space to voice out their problems but they refused. We can provide them a platform again at the next edition of GLF if they would like," he says. A WWF-India spokesperson said they are not aware of the situation in Nagarahole as they haven't worked in the region. They weren't available for comment on the Kaziranga-related allegations.

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In the general fiction and non-fiction category there is a book of arresting poetry - Hunchprose, a moving account of drought - Landscapes of Loss and a magisterial work on the natural history of viruses - Invisible Empire. Finally, books on the green business category are a book on the benefits of environmental, social, governance - ESG and Outlast, on solid waste management - Endlessly Green and on ways to answer the urgent need for water conservation - Watershed. In response to the announcement of the general fiction and non-fiction long list this year, Amitav Ghosh tweeted, "This is a great list. Honoured to be on it." Ghosh's book Gun Island won in the first edition of the GLF Honour Book Awards in 2021.



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Green lighted festival

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Log in to greenlitfest.com to register and get details.

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Link: <https://lbb.in/bangalore/events-in-bangalore/>

GreenLit Festival - Edition 2



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If the Bangalore BIC fest left you wanting for more, there's another one for you. The GreenLit fest is happening at BIC and it's all about the environment, and Indian writings and discourse around it. This edition will include Hareet Nagendra, Disha Ravi, and Rohan Chakravarty among others as part of panel discussions and workshops.

When: Sunday, December 18, 11am to 7pm

Where: Bangalore International Centre, Domlur

Price: Free entry, but you'll need to register here

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By India Education Diary Bureau Admin on December 15, 2022

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Green Day Out

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SUNDAY, 18 DECEMBER

Sunday, 18 December, 2022
10 am to 6 pm

Bangalore International Centre

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|  Lavanya Prasad |  Mahesh Rangarajan |  Masood Malik |  Pavani Sathya |  Priya Thakur |
|  Radhika Sani |  Rohan Chakravarty |  Sajal Mehta |  Srinidhi Ramesh |  Tanvika Sengupta |

Registration:  Entry: Free

Partners: 

Details

Dec 18 2022 to Dec 18 2022 @ 10 am

Where

Bangalore International Centre
74th Main Rd, Stage 2, Domain 560071

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Second Edition
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2022 Green Literature Festival

The Green Literature Festival is back, this time with both online and offline options.

About this Event

The Green Literature Festival (GLF), India's most definitive literature festival dedicated to books and new media on the environment for all age groups, is delighted to invite you to its second edition being held on 18 December 2022 at the Bangalore International Centre from 10 am to 6 pm.

Plan a Green Day Out with your family and friends – a day-long carnival featuring conversations with some of the best minds in India's Environmental Literature and Filmmaking space, screenings of some of the finest green documentaries, a special edition of WWF's Wild Wisdom Quiz, Storytelling and Workshops on nature writing and cartooning, and a collection of specially curated books on the environment for children, adults and businesses.

GLF is supported by The Habitat Trust. Our partners include WWF India, India Climate Collaborative, ATREE, Re Sustainability and Books-on-the-Metro.

[Please see program details here](#)

Looking forward to seeing you at the festival along with family and friends.

Warm Regards

Team GLF

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