



INDIAN YOUTH CLIMATE MOVEMENT





THE RISE OF YOUTH MOVEMENTS


- Youth climate movements from countries like Canada, the US and Australia had matured to a point that their presence dominated the CoY
- Only two young people from South Asia.
- Hard to create a youth network across a continent as vast as Asia, which has so many language!





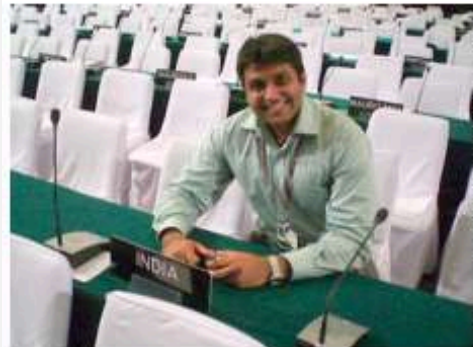
FIRST-EVER INDIAN YOUTH DELEGATION AT COP

- **Agents of Change** Program Launched
- The IYCN delegation - Key leaders in the youth climate movement from various organizations and backgrounds
- Unique opportunity to represent Indian youth at the COP.




UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP14 and COP/MOP4) Participant Application

Agents of Change



The **Agents of Change** Program is now accepting applications to join the IYCN youth delegation to the Fourteenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the Climate Change Convention and fourth Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (COP14 and COP/MOP4), which will be held at the Poznań International Fair in **Poznań, Poland**, from **December 1-12, 2008**.



COP14 will determine the future international policy on climate change, and youth must make their voice heard. Between now and December, youth from across the globe will organize to bring a sense of urgency and rationality to the meeting. The future of the UNFCCC process is up for debate, and with it the future of international action to stop climate change. If the UNFCCC cannot respond to the urgent conclusions contained in the report of the IPCC, the ability of the international mechanism to respond to global challenges might become irrelevant.


This is where we come in. The IYCN delegation, comprised of key leaders in the youth climate & environmental movement from various organizations and backgrounds, will have the unique opportunity to represent Indian youth at the COP. Delegates will work with each other and with international youth in advance of the conference to educate themselves, develop policy priorities, acquire skills in effective lobbying, and engage the broader youth population in action related to international climate policy.

AoC delegates will be expected to engage in substantial preparation and fundraising efforts in the months leading up to





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Recognized by UN: <https://www.un.org/esa/socdev/unyin/documents/wyr10/Chapter%204.pdf>



**AN ORGANISATION ?
A NETWORK ?
OR A MOVEMENT ?**





GLIMPSE OF IYCN's COP JOURNEY....

COP14

POZAN

IYCN sent first Indian delegation to COP14. Delegation created a ripple effect that led to creation of youth movements from other parts of the global south.

COP20

LIMA

IYCN played a very important role at COP20 as it took the Indian climate change youth movement from the grassroots level to the global arena. Our flagship Agents of Change Program, trained hundreds of youth across India around climate change

COP26

GLASGOW

IYCN's delegation worked on demystifying Buzz Words like 'Climate Finance', 'Just Transition', 'Net Zero' among others and communicated the outcomes by publishing informational content on it.

COP15

COPENHAGEN

A delegation of 20 youth attended COP 15. COP 15 was subject to much publicity and criticism across the globe.

COP21

PARIS

IYCN sent it's joint delegation with the Alliance of Indian Waste Pickers at COP21. Mansoor (head of scrap dealers association) who runs a dry waste collection centre in Jayanagar in Bengaluru went to argue for the importance of proper waste management in our fight against climate change.

COP27

SHARM EL-SHEIKH

Hosted side event on climate justice finance from local prospective and represented at India Pavilion to advocate LiFE. Pledged to train young people young people on circular economy through Agents of Change





Our activities (some of them..)

- Climate Solutions Road Tour
- Climate Leadership Program
- Green Solutions Fair
- Rural Climate Fellows
- Eco Audit Program
- iADAPT - for a CARBON CLEAN INDIA
- Climate Catalyst
- Film Screenings
- Agents of Change (Flagship)
- Youth Perception Survey
- India - UK Sustainable Solution Challenge & Hackathon
- Local Conference of Youth (4 Times)
- Climate Charcha
- COP Explainer Series for Youth
- Podcast - A Circular Revolution



Agents of Change 2023: Youth Empowerment towards Circular Economy



1. Baseline Needs Assessment

Survey & Report

Surveyed **400** youth to study the gaps in understanding Circular Economy & Resource Efficiency (CE&RE), youth needs and demands.

3. Y20 Youth Consultation

Conducted 2 Days technical training workshop with **70 youth from towns and villages of Maharashtra** at IIT Bombay; Y20 youth consultation in collaboration with UNICEF and Sustainability Cell, IITB

5. Training of Trainers, Bangalore

ToT Workshop is in collaboration with Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore to train another **cohort of 100 youth**

2. Training of Trainers, Delhi

Conducted 2-Days technical capacity building Workshop in New Delhi. Trained **30** youth on CE & RE

4. 10 week podcast series on Circular Economy with Youth

Identified **10 youth innovators** working on Circular Economy business models; Published a podcast series with support from **HT Media and Radio One (94.3 FM)**

6. 3 Awareness Workshops on CE & RE

3 Awareness workshops on CE & RE to sensitize **250 youth** on CE & RE and it's importance in daily life.





IMPACT REPORT



Youth Empowerment Towards Circular Economy (CE) And Resource Efficiency (RE) in India

Training & Awareness Sessions

Delhi

New Delhi

Agents of Change | Delhi
World Circular Economy Forum (WCEF) 2023 | Delhi
Awareness Session |
Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
Hansraj College, Delhi University

Maharashtra

Mumbai

Agents of Change with Y20 | Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

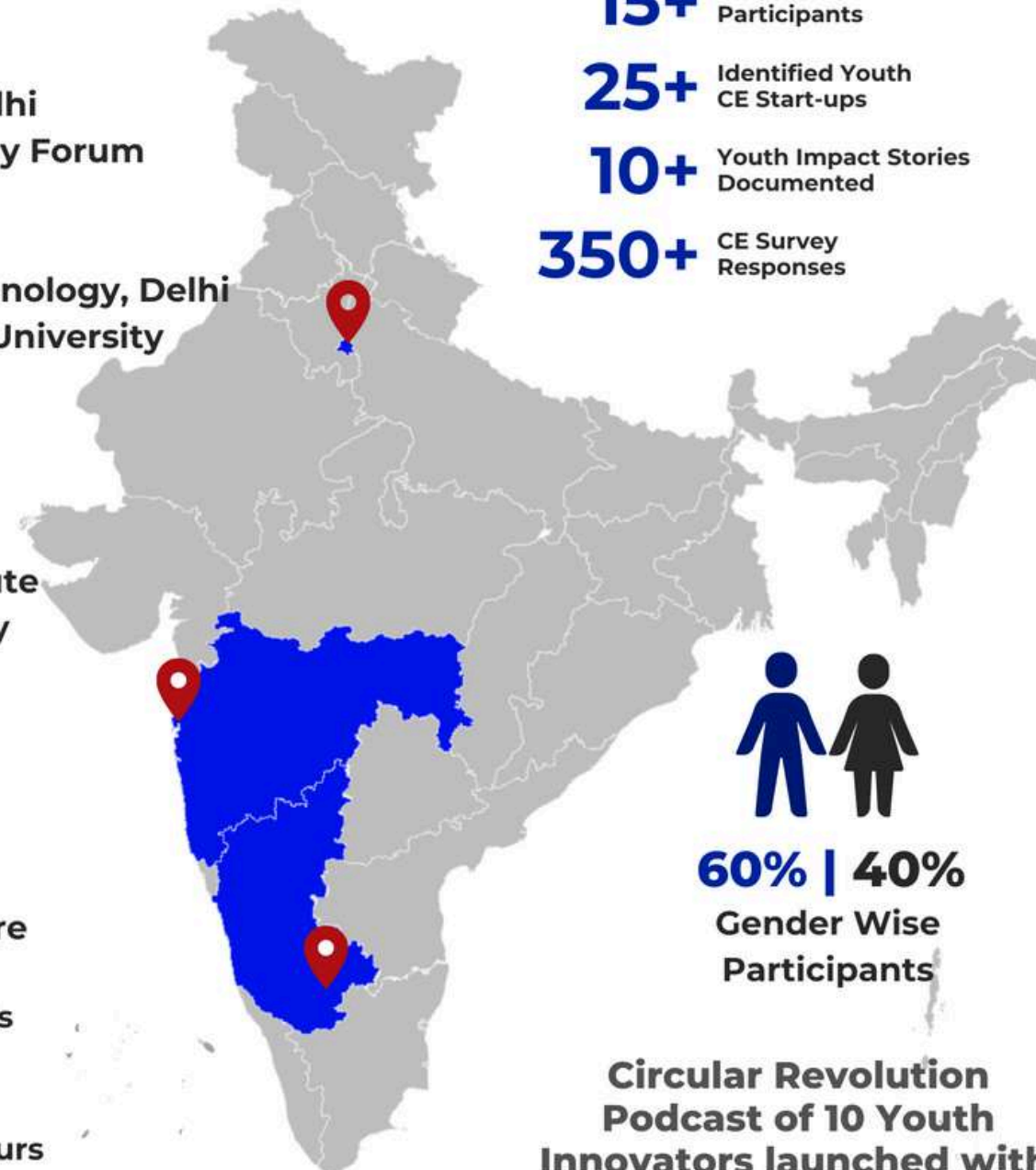
Karnataka

Bengaluru

Agents of Change | Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore

Age **19-32** Participants **350**

Experts **60** Session Hours **54+**



- 15+** Rural Districts Participants
- 25+** Identified Youth CE Start-ups
- 10+** Youth Impact Stories Documented
- 350+** CE Survey Responses

60% | 40%
Gender Wise Participants

Circular Revolution Podcast of 10 Youth Innovators launched with HT Smartcast Media & Radio One 94.3 FM

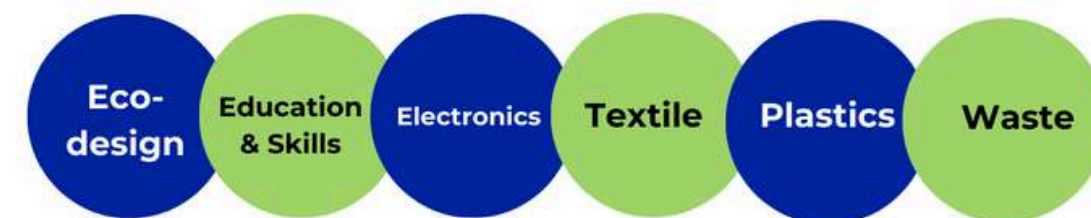
KEY THEMES EXPLORED

Foundations of CE & RE	Policies on CE & RE
Sectoral Challenges	Life Cycle Assessments
Business Models & Green Jobs	Innovation & Youth Action

YOUTH DEMANDS

- Right to Repair
- Subsidies for Green Products
- Investment in Secondary Markets
- Circular Economy Reporting & Ranking
- Circular Economy Entrepreneurship Skill Development
- Awareness Creation on Circular Economy Financing
- Circular Economy Mainstreaming in Climate Reporting
- Supply Chain Innovation and Resilience and many more

YOUTH INNOVATION AREAS



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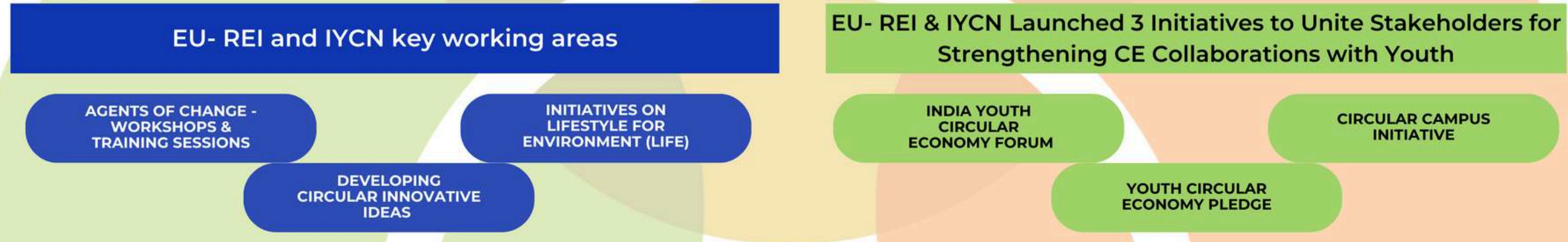


A PARTNERSHIP FOR PROGRESS

EU-REI and IYCN Forge a Path for Circular Economy with Youth in India



European Union's Resource Efficiency Initiative (EU-REI) along with the Indian Youth Climate Network (IYCN) is engaging with youth for empowering them to take action by identifying key areas of engagement.



EU-REI

EU's Resource Efficiency Initiative India (EU-REI) (2017-2023) aims to work together with India on the implementation of the United Nations Global Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) agenda by way of adapting international standards and best practices in business on resource efficiency and fostering the efficient and sustainable use of natural resources. It is implemented by an international consortium led by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) and adelphi.

For more information: <https://www.eu-rei.com/>

IYCN

IYCN is the pioneer of youth climate leadership in India. It serves as a country-wide platform for youth working on climate change issues. It operates as a network of volunteers and organizations across India with the aim of making the youth movement more proactive and informed on climate change and related issues.

IYCN works with the government on several initiatives to conduct outreach and raise awareness. Since its inception in 2008, more than 100 members have represented IYCN in key policy deliberations at UN Climate Change Conferences.

For more information: <https://iycn.in/>



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Youth Environmental Movements





BASELINE NEEDS ASSESSMENT

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YOUTH EMPOWERMENT TOWARDS CIRCULAR ECONOMY**



Concerns

Knowledge

Perception

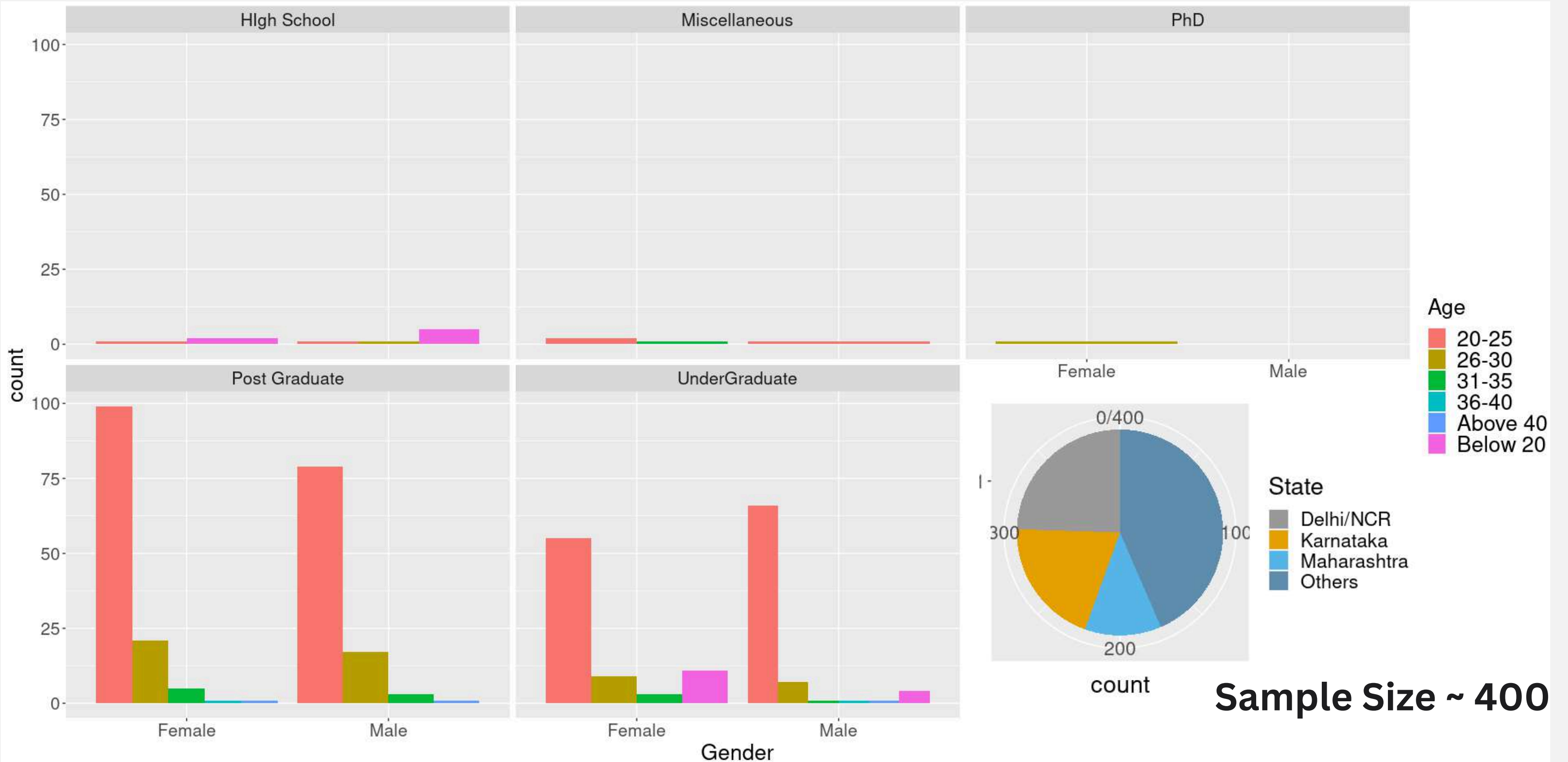
Actions

Understanding

Aspiration



SAMPLE SIZE & DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

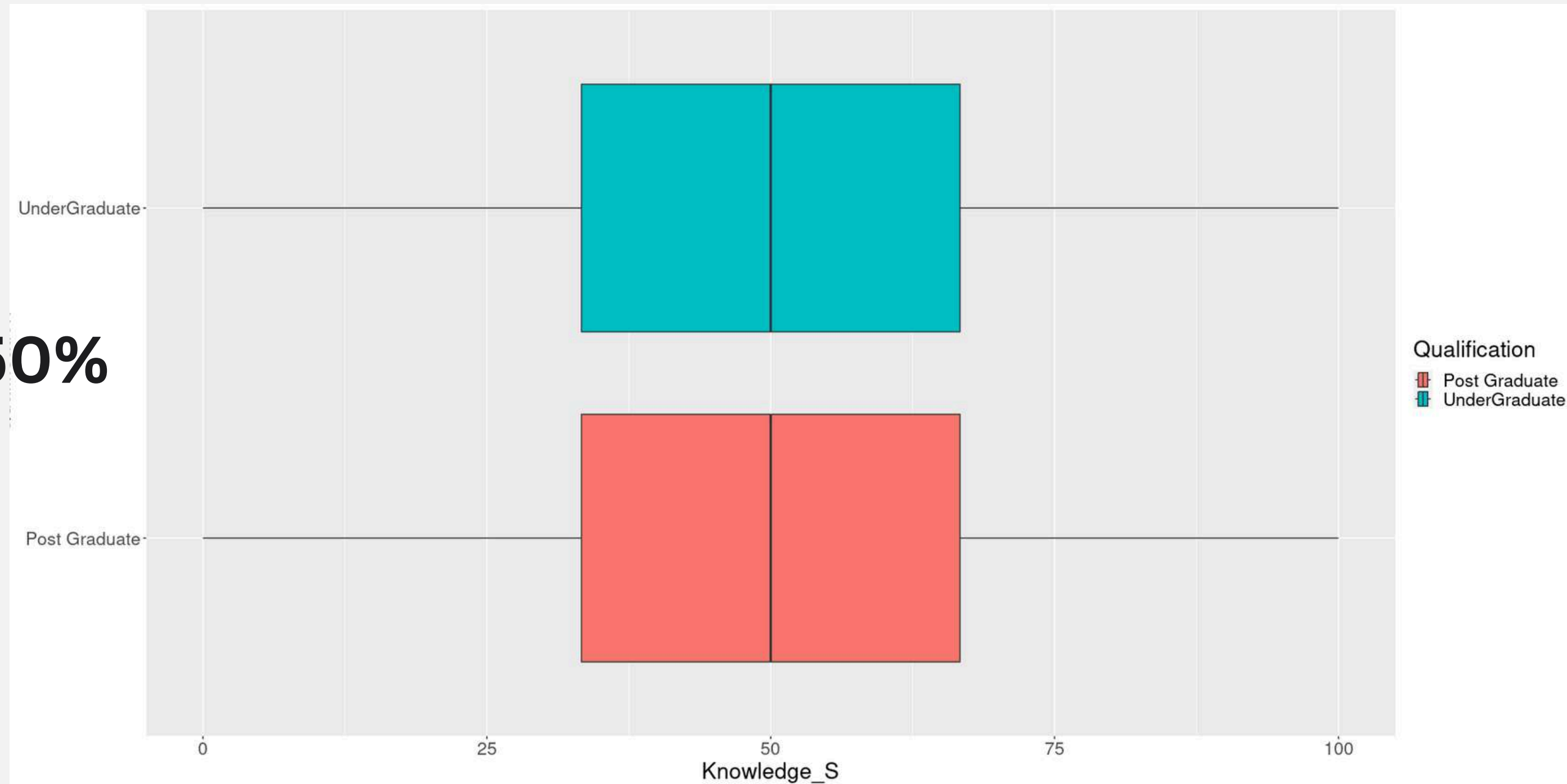


Sample Size ~ 400



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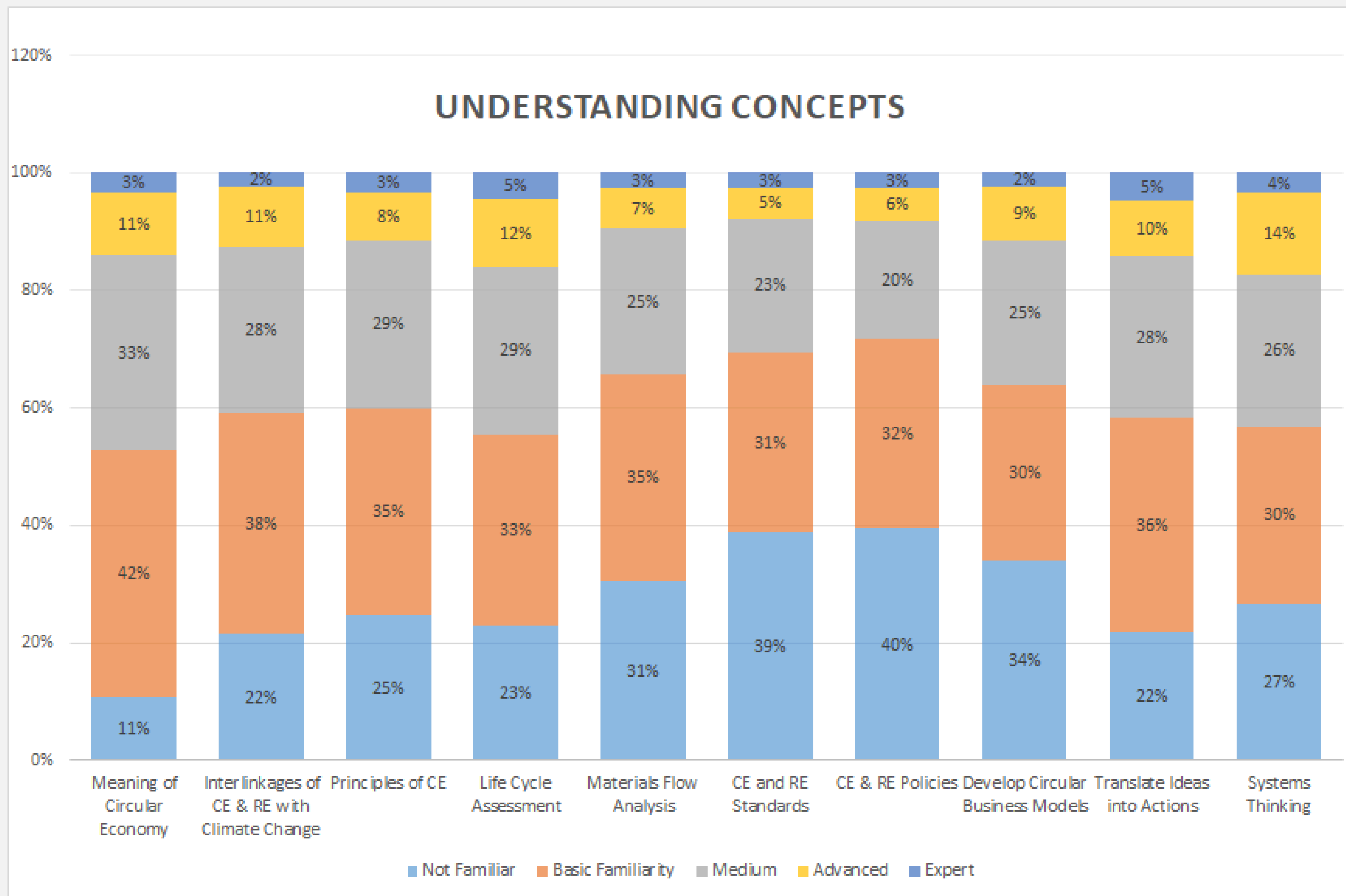
Average Score ~ 50%



Responders were asked questions related to Labels, Eco Design, Rebound Effect, CE Principles etc.



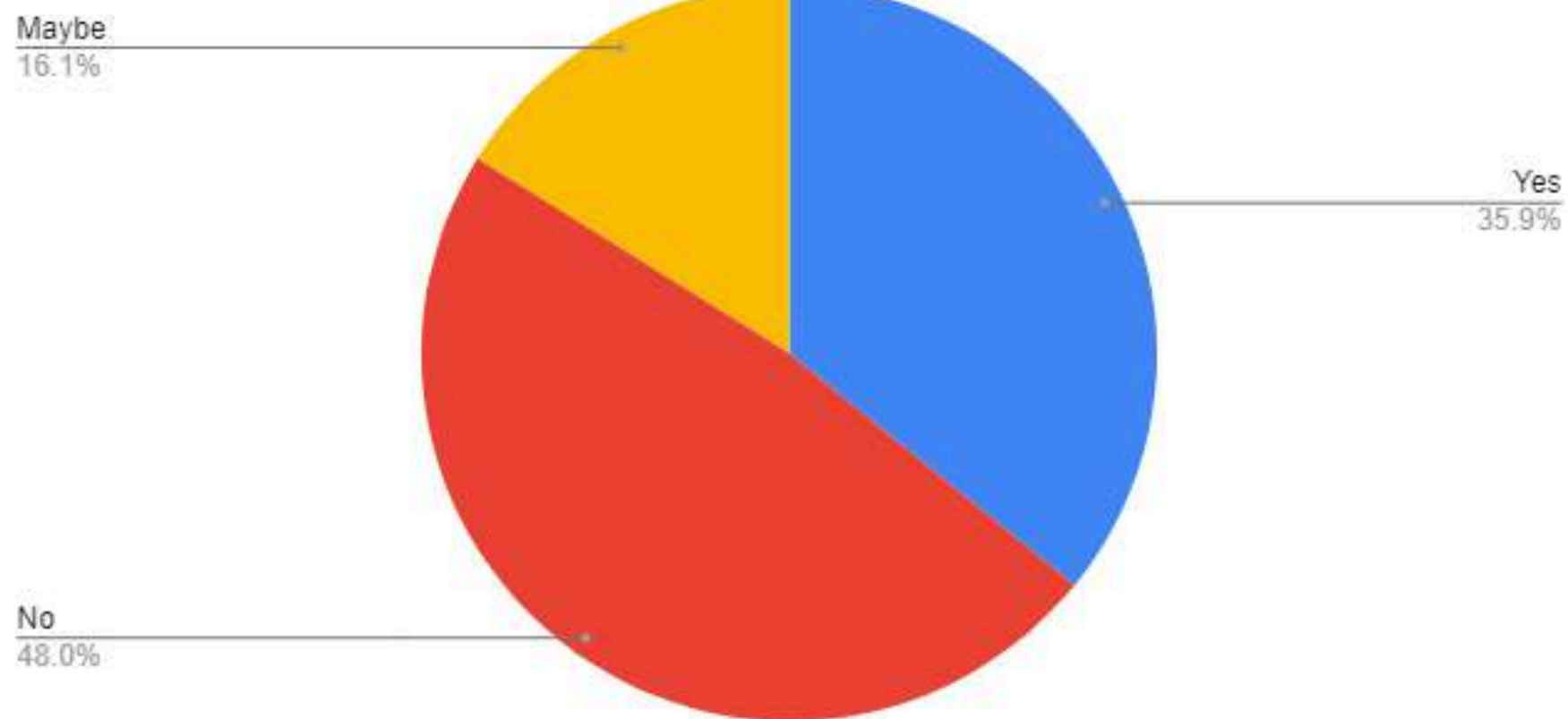
CONCEPTUAL UNDERSTANDING



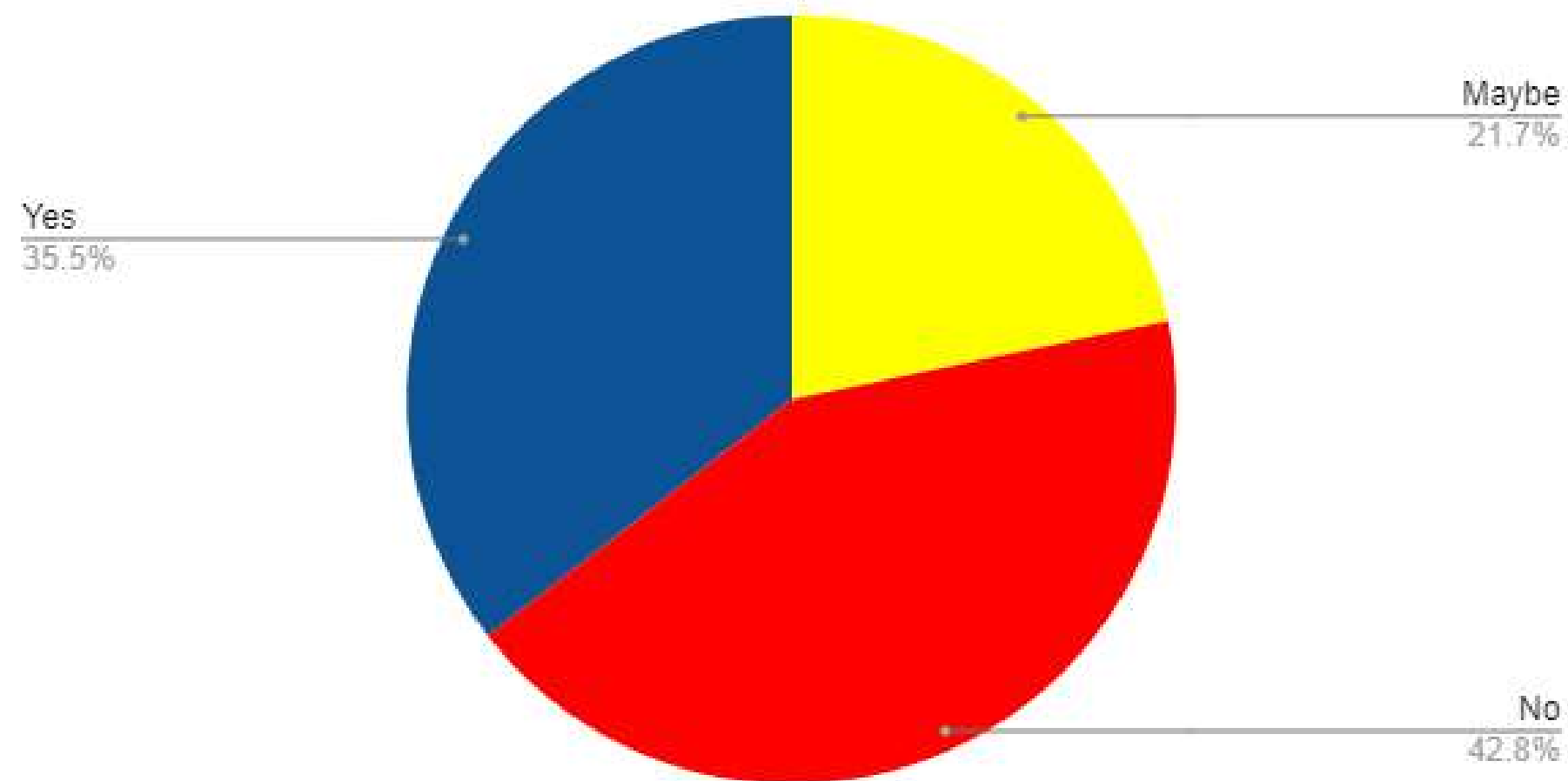


CE & RE ACTIONS AROUND YOUTH

12. Are you familiar with any initiatives or solutions in your institute/neighborhood/city on the circular economy undertaken by youth?



13. Are you familiar with any local initiatives or solutions on the circular economy undertaken by the government?





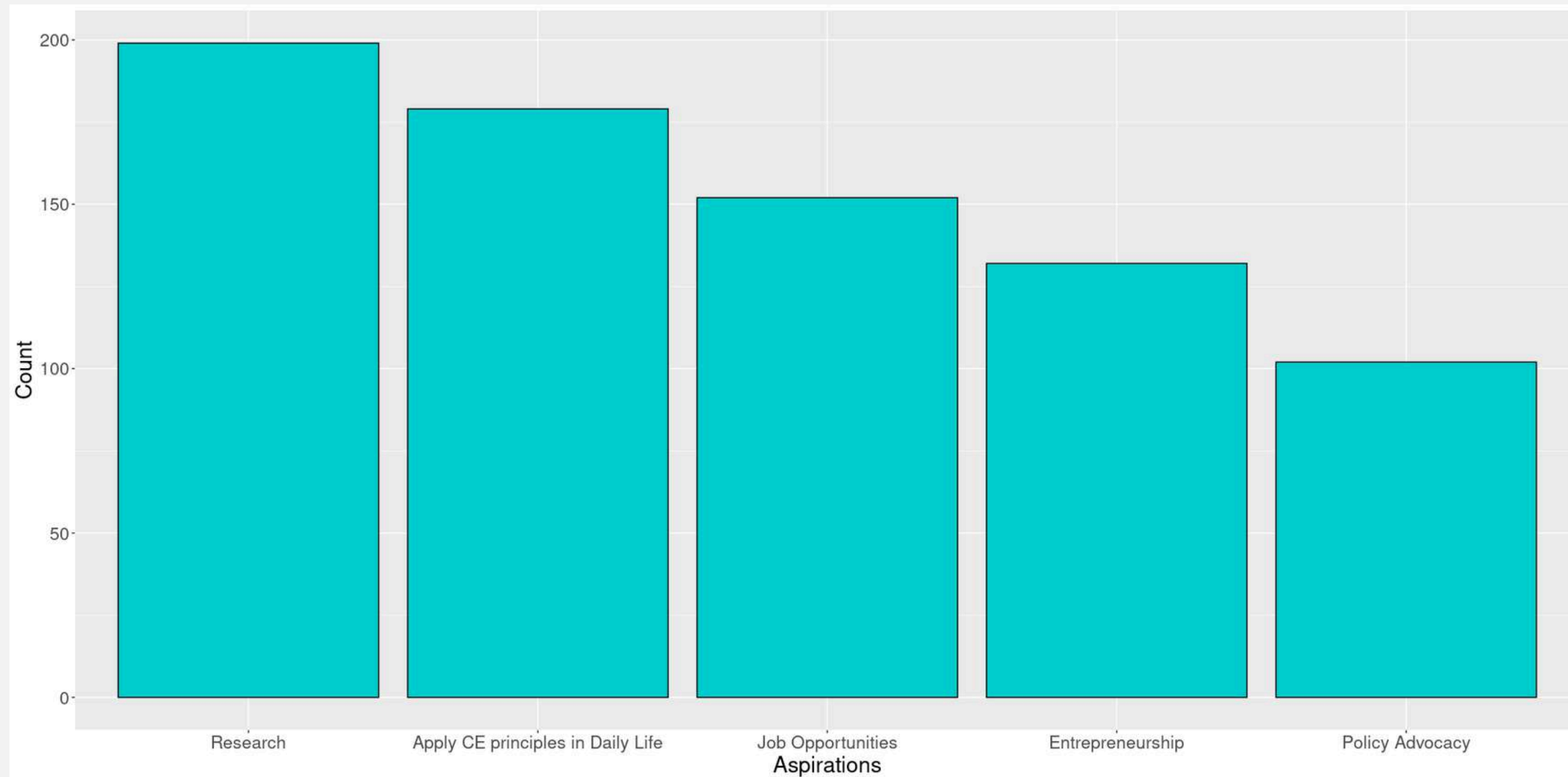
YOUTH CONCERNS



Waste Stream	% Responses
Alumnium	5.2%
Glass	6.6%
Electrical	9%
Textile	9.4%
Paper	11.6 %
Vegetable-waste	12.3 %
Plastic	19.48 %
All of the above	26 %



YOUTH ASPIRATION TO LEARN CE & RE





Agents of Change Workshop

Day 1

**Foundation of
CE & RE**

**Policies on
CE & RE**

**Sectorial
Challenges**

Day 2

**Life Cycle
Assesment**

**Business
Models &
Green Jobs**

**Youth
Action**



Indian Youth Circular Economy Forum

INDIAN YOUTH CLIMATE NETWORK





A YOUTH CIRCULAR ECONOMY FORUM ?

A platform to **amplify the impact of the Agents of Change** program by creating an ecosystem that nurtures **youth-led circular economy solutions**, fosters innovation, **advocates for supportive policies**, enable a **mindset shift towards sustainable consumption and lifestyles** and **enables youth to access opportunities in CE & RE**



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

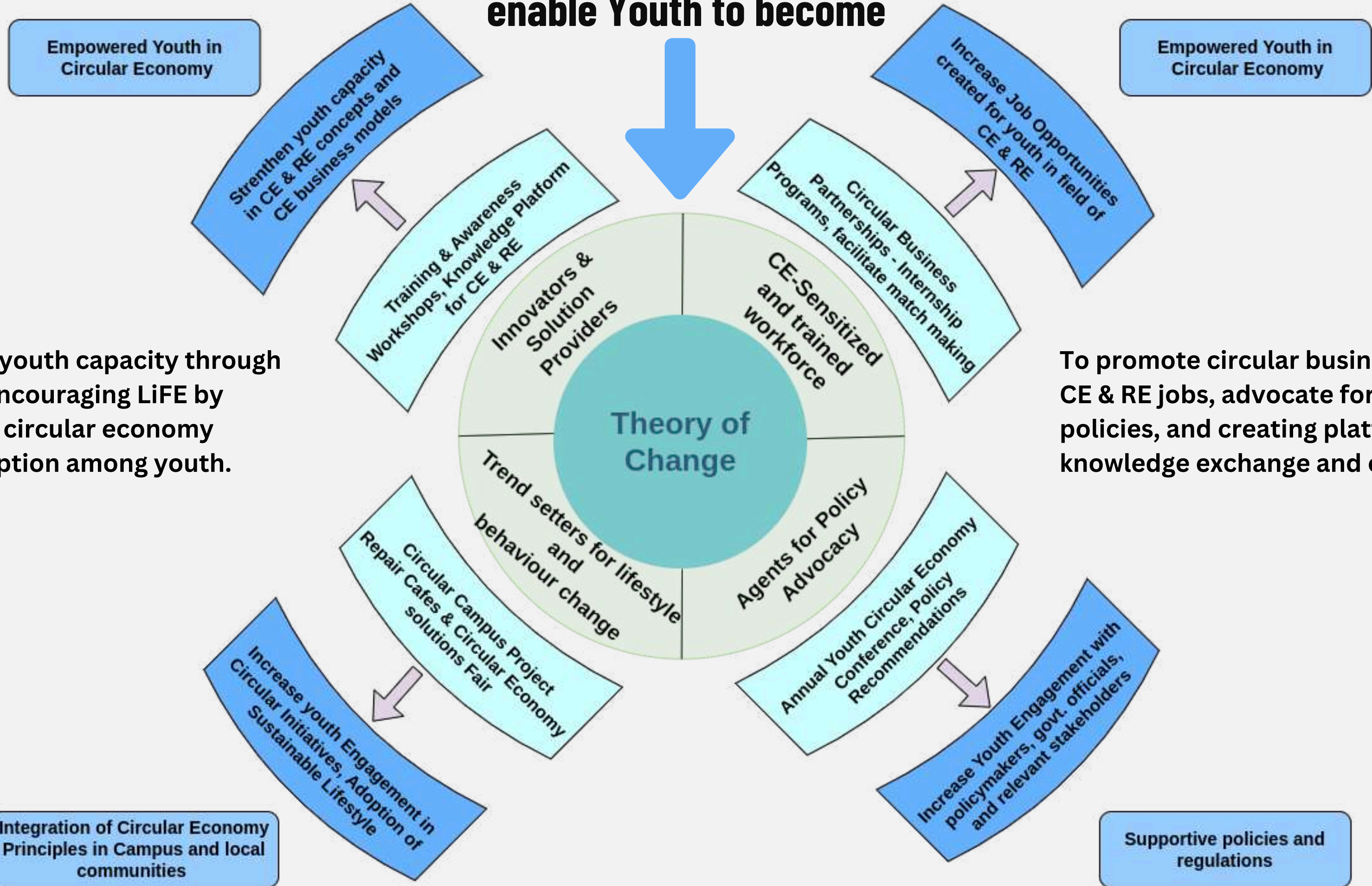


13 CLIMATE ACTION





Through capacity building and continuous engagement, enable Youth to become



To strengthen youth capacity through training and encouraging LiFE by promoting the circular economy principles adoption among youth.

To promote circular business solutions, CE & RE jobs, advocate for supportive policies, and creating platforms for knowledge exchange and collaboration.





Indian Youth Circular Economy Forum

ACTIVITIES

(2023-25)



Annual Conference on Youth-Led Solutions to strengthen implementation of EPR in India and Circular Economy Solution Fairs on specific themes such as Right to Repair, Plastic Recycling etc.



Circular Campus: Conduct a comprehensive assessment of the school/college campuses to identify areas for opportunities for implementing circular economy principles with student led sustainability clubs





Indian Youth Circular Economy Forum

ACTIVITIES

(2023-25)



Capacity building workshops with Schools and College students on CE & RE Concepts and Policies; Awareness workshops on Right to Repair, plastic-waste etc. to sensitize 20,000 youth



Setup online platform for training content on CE & RE for youth - Knowledge facilitate 500 Job opportunities in CE & RE & latest developments in Indian & EU.





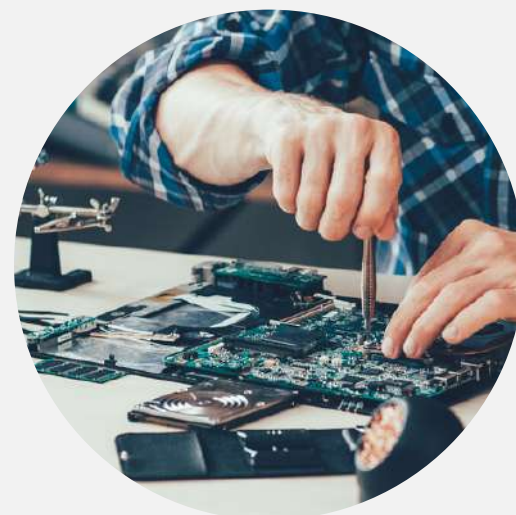
Indian Youth Circular Economy Forum

ACTIVITIES

(2023-25)



Launch bi-annual policy competitions and challenges that invite youth to submit proposals or projects addressing specific policy gaps



Repair Cafes: Design guidelines to implement repair cafes in colleges/university campus and pilot the model with 10 institutes





A CIRCULAR REVOLUTION



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PODCAST AWARDS

Documentary & News FINALIST



The Imperfect show
Hello Vikatan



India Unveiled: The
History Of India



A Circular Revolution





MEET AGENTS OF CHANGE

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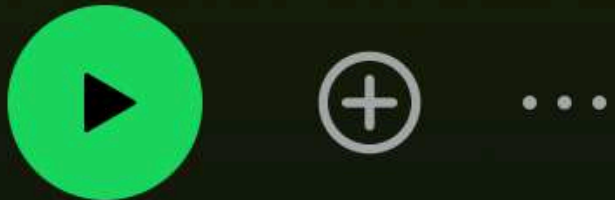


Podcast Episode

Refillable: A Game-Changer in Sustainable Home Care

A Circular Revolution

Mar 21 · 18 min 53 sec



Episode Description

It's time to say goodbye to single-use plastics for good. Well, how you ask? The answer is the Refill Revolution

In this episode, host Ankita Pahwa talks to Purav Desai, the founder of Refillable, about his innovative approach to plastic waste management. Purav shares his journey that led to the creation of this initiative and the problem they are trying to solve through it. He discusses the positive impact that Refillable has had on the environment and communities, and how he measures and tracks this impact. Join the refill revolution at <https://refillable.store/>



Podcast Episode

From Waste to Value: The Journey of PlastiSkul

A Circular Revolution

Mar 24 · 23 min 19 sec



Episode Description

Join Ankita Pahwa as she interviews Kanika Ahuja, the President of PlastiSkul, in this episode of 'A Circular Revolution.' Kanika shares her journey and her efforts to combat plastic waste by converting it into a valuable resource. She elaborates on PlastiSkul's unique micro-factory model and how it efficiently transforms plastic waste into raw materials. Additionally, she highlights the company's collaboration with waste pickers and women to develop circular jobs. Kanika's advice for aspiring entrepreneurs based on her own experiences and insights is also a valuable addition. Don't miss out on discovering how PlastiSkul is revolutionizing the fight against plastic pollution.

Check out the Plastiskul products here: Plastiskul.org



Podcast Episode

Tackling India's E-waste Problem with E-Waste Social

A Circular Revolution

Mar 31 · 23 min



Episode Description

Join Ankita Pahwa in an insightful conversation with Iram Maimuna, founder of 'E-waste social', as they discuss the growing e-waste problem in India and the innovative solutions her startup is providing. Discover how E-Waste Social is making a positive impact on the environment by promoting responsible e-waste management.

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Podcast Episode

From Trash to Treasure: The Power of Composting with Balancing Bits

A Circular Revolution

Apr 11 · 27 min 45 sec



Episode Description

Have you ever stopped to think about what happens to the food waste you throw away every day? It may not seem like a big deal, but it has a significant impact on the environment. In this episode, host Ankita Pahwa sits down with Rahul Khera, the founder of Balancing Bits, to learn how he turned the simple act of composting into

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Podcast Episode

Youth Empowerment for Circular Economy: A Special Guest from MYCA - UNICEF Maharashtra

A Circular Revolution

Apr 18 · 22 min 46 sec



Episode Description

Join us in this episode as Mayank Jain, a board member of IYCN, sits down with Atul, an expert in circular economy education and waste management. Atul is an active member of UNICEF Maharashtra's Maha Youth for Climate Action initiative, where he works to empower young people to take action on climate change. Listen in as A

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Podcast Episode

Challenging the Disposable Culture: The Kipple Way

A Circular Revolution

Apr 25 · 24 min 17 sec



Episode Description

Join host Ankita Pahwa as she speaks to Ismat Imaan, the inspiring co-founder of Kipple. In this episode, you'll discover how Ismat's frustration with the wastefulness of student living led her to create a circular approach to consumption with Kipple's shareable, sustainable starter kits. Hear how Kipple is challeng

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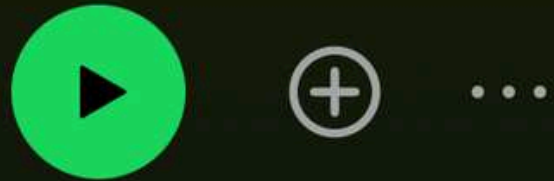


Podcast Episode

From Carbon Emissions to Resource Creation : Towards a Carbon Circular Economy

A Circular Revolution

Apr 28 · 24 min 1 sec



Episode Description

It's no secret that pollution and climate change are two of the horrendous challenges we face today. And while there are countless proposed solutions to combat pollution, the one we're about to explore will truly blow your mind. Join host Ankita Pahwa as she sits down with Ronak Mistry, the founder of Greenovate Solutions, to explore the exciting innovations that are changing the game in the carbon industry. From carbon capture technology to transforming waste into usable materials, Ronak is at the forefront of creating a more sustainable future. Don't miss this inspiring conversation on how we can close the carbon loop and pave the way for a greener planet.



Podcast Episode

From Handloom to High Fashion: Revolutionizing the Industry's Habits

A Circular Revolution

May 2 · 20 min 17 sec



Episode Description

Have you ever found yourself scrolling through endless GRWM videos on YouTube or adding items to your online shopping cart without thinking twice? We've all been there. But have you ever paused to consider the impact of our impulsive fashion habits? In this episode, Ankita Pahwa sits down with Anurag Jain, the founder of Gramastha, who has been working tirelessly to promote circular solutions in the fashion industry. Join us as we explore innovative solutions and gain valuable insights that can help transform the fashion industry for the better. Are you ready to learn and make a difference? Tune in now!

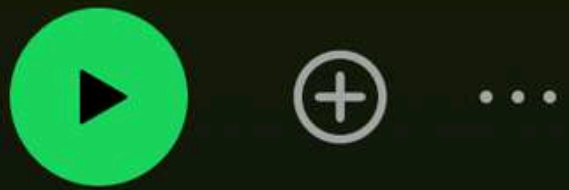


Podcast Episode

Breaking Free from Impulsive Fashion: The Game-Changing Closed-Loop Approach

A Circular Revolution

May 2 · 27 min 55 sec



Episode Description

In this episode, join host Ankita Pahwa as she sits down with the forward-thinking Garvit Sahdev, Co-founder of Infinite X, to explore the crucial topic of circular fashion in the textile industry. Get ready to be enlightened as they discuss the significance of circularity in creating a sustainable future, and how Garvit's groundbreaking closed-loop system is leading the way in eco-friendly textile production. This engaging and thought-provoking conversation offers practical advice for businesses and consumers alike on how to adopt a more sustainable fashion mindset. Don't miss out on this inspiring discussion that could change the way you think about fashion forever!



Podcast Episode

LCOY India 2023: From Local Youth Solutions to Global Conference

A Circular Revolution

May 3 · 24 min 56 sec



Episode Description

Welcome to the final episode of 'A Circular Revolution,' exploring circular economy startups. Today, we're speaking with two inspiring representatives from the Indian Youth Climate Network (IYCN). Srishti Singh shares IYCN's journey, including the flagship program 'Agents of Change' and how it engages young voices in policy-making. Ayadi, a former participant of IYCN's Local Conference of Youth, talks about the importance of collaboration and shares thematic takeaways from the conference. Join us as we discuss IYCN's impact on mobilizing youth against climate change and its upcoming LCOY India 2023 event. Presented by IYCN, supported by EU Resource Efficiency Initiative and UNICEF India, and hosted by Ankita Pahwa at HT Smartcast.



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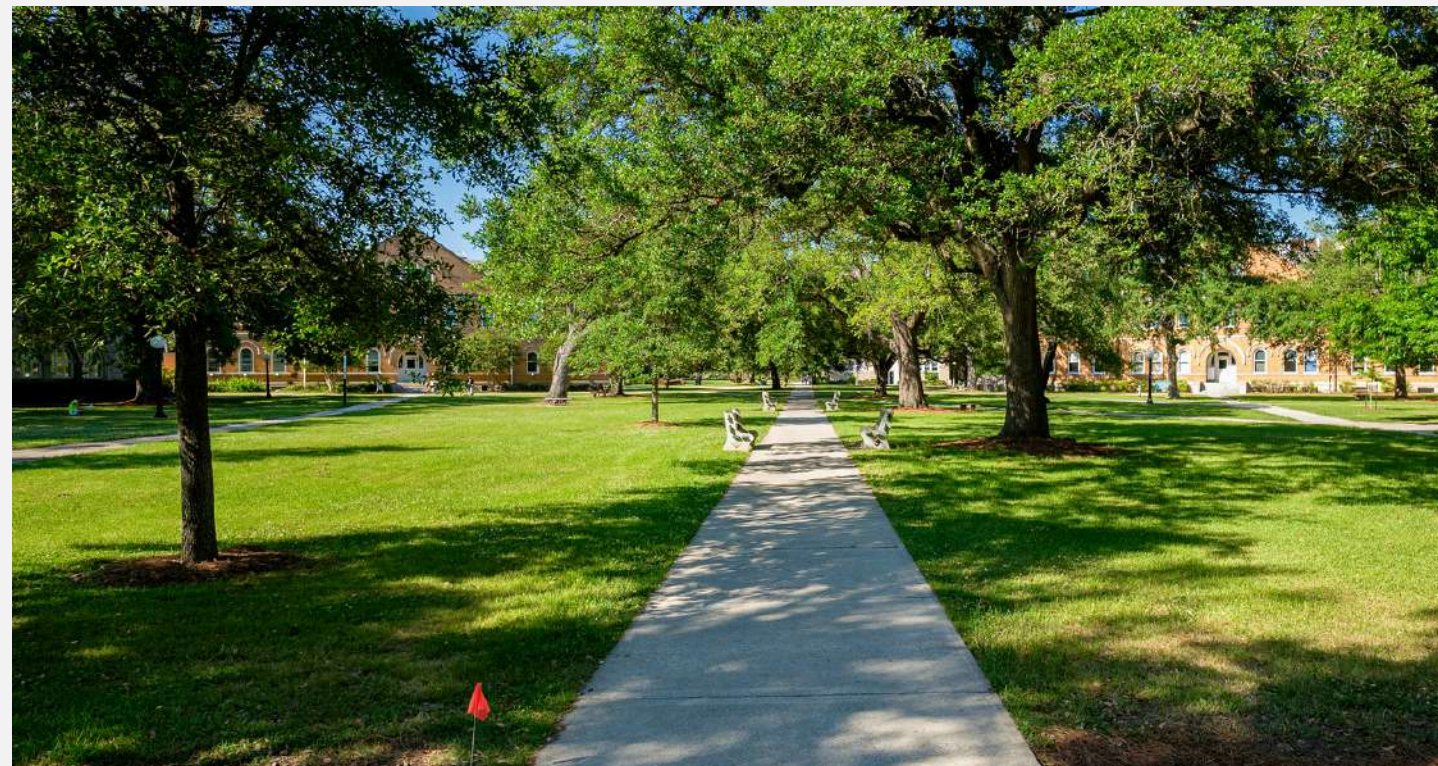
Sustainability Cell, IIT Bombay



Proposal for Zero E-Waste Campus

Circular Campus Initiative

An initiative of Indian Youth Climate Network



OCTOBER 2023

Technical Partners



CIRCULAR CAMPUS STEWARD PROGRAM

MISSION

The ReUpyog Campus Steward Program aspires to build a student-led community that proactively works towards creating a more eco-conscious environment, with the overarching objective of fostering significant waste reduction within and around the campus

What Can YOUth Do ?



ReUse & RePair Advocacy



Sustainability Workshops



Waste Collection



Repair Cafes



Social Media Campaign



Community Engagement

WHY JOIN ?

- Valuable experience in marketing & customer service
- Networking opportunities
- Performance-Based Incentive
- Certificate of Internship & LoR



ELIGIBILITY

Full-time Undergrads or Graduates | Tech Savvy
Passion for Sustainability | Good Communication Skills

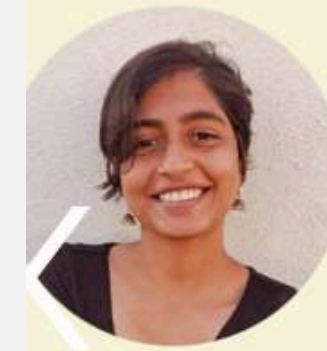
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A WORKSHOP ON CREATING IMPACT IN SUSTAINABILITY: CAREERS AND PROJECTS



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SRIJAINITA

Srijanita is dedicated to animal welfare and addressing the impact of climate change on voiceless creatures. With unwavering determination, she leads initiatives to protect, raise awareness, and drive meaningful change. Srijanita Maurya, based in Uttar Pradesh, India, is an 18-year-old and the founder of a youth-led organization called "The Animal Patronage," which works tirelessly for animal welfare. The organization's primary focus is to become the voice of animals, fighting for their rights and protecting them from human cruelties and the risk of extinction. Srijanita is not only a TEDx Speaker but also a passionate youth animal activist, dedicated to raising awareness about animal rights. Srijanita was selected as a Harvard Innovation fellow in the Crimson Youth Entrepreneurship Society by Harvard University this year. Her efforts were further acknowledged when she received recognition from President George W. Bush's foundation, Points of Light Inspiration Honor Roll. Srijanita's outstanding contributions to both entrepreneurship and social work earned her the Indian Diva Award 2022 in the Entrepreneur and Social Work category, as well as the Child Prodigy Award. Furthermore, she proudly holds the title of the winner of the Global Kids Achievers Award 2022.

SARAH



is a Youth Leader and an Eco- Influencer who is working diligently as a change maker not just in Uttar Pradesh or India, but across the world. As an Eco-Influencer, Sarah uses her platform effectively to endorse those brands and products which are eco-friendly and have a low carbon footprint. She also endorses eco-events and leverages Instagram reels and graphics to promote eco-actions. Currently, Sarah and her team are working on a project titled 'Eco-Educator' where they teach youth and school children about climate change. She is leading a team of 800+ on-ground volunteers in more than 20 cities of Uttar Pradesh, they work twice a week as change makers in their respective cities in the area of climate change, education, and social welfare.

Sarah is a passionate climate change activist dedicated to pioneering revolutionary solutions. During the Lucknow launch event of 28For28, she eloquently addressed her concerns and issued a powerful call to action.

VENKATESH



Venkatesh is dedicated to inspiring youth to take action on climate change. He fearlessly challenges our self-centered actions, greed, and complacency toward the planet. As the co-founder of The Conscious Humans, a blogging website promoting eco-friendly alternatives and conscious consumerism, he firmly believes in the power of collective action to create a sustainable lifestyle. Venkatesh reminds us that the choices we make impact not only ourselves but also the entire planet and its inhabitants.



SHRISTI

Shristi, a grade 12th student has uncovered the crucial puzzle piece in our battle against climate change. She has harnessed the immense power of technology to spark a revolution in sustainability. As the visionary founder of The BlockMagix, she has pioneered a harmonious fusion of the urgency of our environmental crisis and the transformative potential of blockchain technology.

Srishti has empowered individuals to securely record their carbon reduction efforts, monitor energy consumption, and adopt sustainable practices through an incorruptible ledger. With her groundbreaking solution, she has provided a formidable tool for tracking, incentivizing, and celebrating sustainable actions.

SUHAIL



Suhail is a child champion from Kashmir who has ardently been campaigning on climate action in his community, school and among his peers. He is part of a children's group which has been planting trees, leading cleaning drives, conducting workshops Etc. on the importance of protecting earth's resources. In 2021, Suhail was a part of a global Child Reference Group with Save the Children International which gave guidance for the methodology and approach for the Generation Hope Global report. Suhail represented his group at the COP 27 in telling the world leaders and youth representatives from across the world about his passion for Climate Action, the campaign that was designed by children and how important it is to take urgent action for future generations. Read more about his group's work



RATNA

Ratna, an Ecofreak & student of Delhi University is a young Author and Climate Activist from India. She was born in Indian Holy City, Kashi where people from all over the world came to worship Ganga Maa. Since childhood she witnessed the dying Ganga due to water pollution. Her story begins from being a 9-year-old activist giving Swattchta Abhiyan Speech in School to becoming the Founder & CEO of an International Youth Organization, Earth Safety Valve. In 2014, when the government launched the Swachhta Abhiyan Project she was leading it in her school and now with her organization she gave climate Education across 15+ Nations & 5 Continents. ESV is an Youth led Organization working to promote Environmental Sciences who have interviewed 30+ Environmental scientists, given regional & Global Seminar, Worked with the UN constituency and have designed a Climate Comic Book entitled " I can't breathe" which was represented in COP27 conference. The aim is to ignite young minds to appreciate action against Climate Change.

Ratna being an Environmentalist has also been honoured with National & World Record, Best Female Author Award, Changemakers Awards, Kalam's Ratna Award.

DWISHOJOYEE BANERJEE



Dwishojoyee is an Ashoka young changemaker, a BeVisioneers-Mercedes Benz fellow and has worked with organisations such as World Economic Forum, Save the Children and UNICEF.

The Paper Bag project, by the soft movement, enables school students to come together to upcycle newspapers and make paper bags for distributing it free of cost to small vendors like flower sellers in India, who haven't been able to switch to sustainable alternatives despite the ban on single use plastic bags. So far it has reached over 5000 students in 31 cities via a 70+ member team and have replaced 50,000+ single use plastic bags, starting in 2022.

RAVI VERMA



Ravi works with communities, governments, and stakeholders to develop green cities, integrating renewable energy, green infrastructure, and equitable practices.

Ravi's climate action project, "Earthinators for a Sustainable Future," was initiated with a strong conviction to address the pressing challenges of climate change and create a positive impact in his community.

NAMAN



Naman is a dedicated social entrepreneur and the founder of Hari Koshish. He has been recognized with the TOI Changemaker Award for their exceptional efforts in driving positive change. As an intern at Save The Children, India, he furthered his impact in promoting children's welfare. His expertise in environmental matters led to him being a speaker at COP 27, where he shared innovative solutions for tackling climate change. He has passion for creating a better world, his engaging speeches inspire others to take action for social transformation.

PREETI TANTI



Young Preeti Tanti, from the district of Dibrugarh, aimed at raising the awareness of her community and she had been offered to implement a Micro Project under Dream Accelerator initiative of Save the Children, in the year 2020. In this initiative she had initially worked across 20 tea gardens in the vicinity of her village. This initiative of hers had initially reached out to 200 girls and boys in these 20 tea gardens. Along with 100 more Stakeholders, that included the Panchayat Members, ASHAs, District Magistrates, Child Welfare Committee Members and Police.

ADITYA MUKARJI



Aditya launched the #RefuseIfYouCannotReuse initiative, which focused on reducing plastic straw usage in the hospitality sector. His Campaign is a multi faceted one, focusing on empowering others.

His efforts have shown tangible results, with approximately 26 million plastic straws and millions of other single-use plastics being removed annually.



KARTIK VERMA

Knowledge for Nature was started in the year 2021. They majorly work with children and youth across India as it is Kartik's belief that young people are companions of change. The aim is to build a generation of environmentally conscious individuals who will be equipped with the knowledge and skills needed to address environmental issues in their communities and beyond. With his motivation and approach they have engaged 4000+ children and youth from most vulnerable communities and 130+ schools across India in a hybrid way.

ACHINTYA



The idea for the inception of the Youth Action and Leadership Forum for Environment can be attributed to Achintya, a passionate young advocate for environmental concerns. Realising the significant disparity between the discussions and statements made in these forums and the actual implementation of effective measures on the ground, the idea of this youth driven Youth Action and Leadership Forum for Environment was born which underscored the urgent need for dedicated platforms that would facilitate serious youth-led deliberations, foster meaningful discussions, and provide forums for impactful dialogue within the environmental domain.

ANIKET GUPTA



Aniket signed the Petition to Include Practical Climate Education in School Education. Later, he worked closely with Delhi Government, climate changemakers, practitioners closely to design a curriculum for the students.

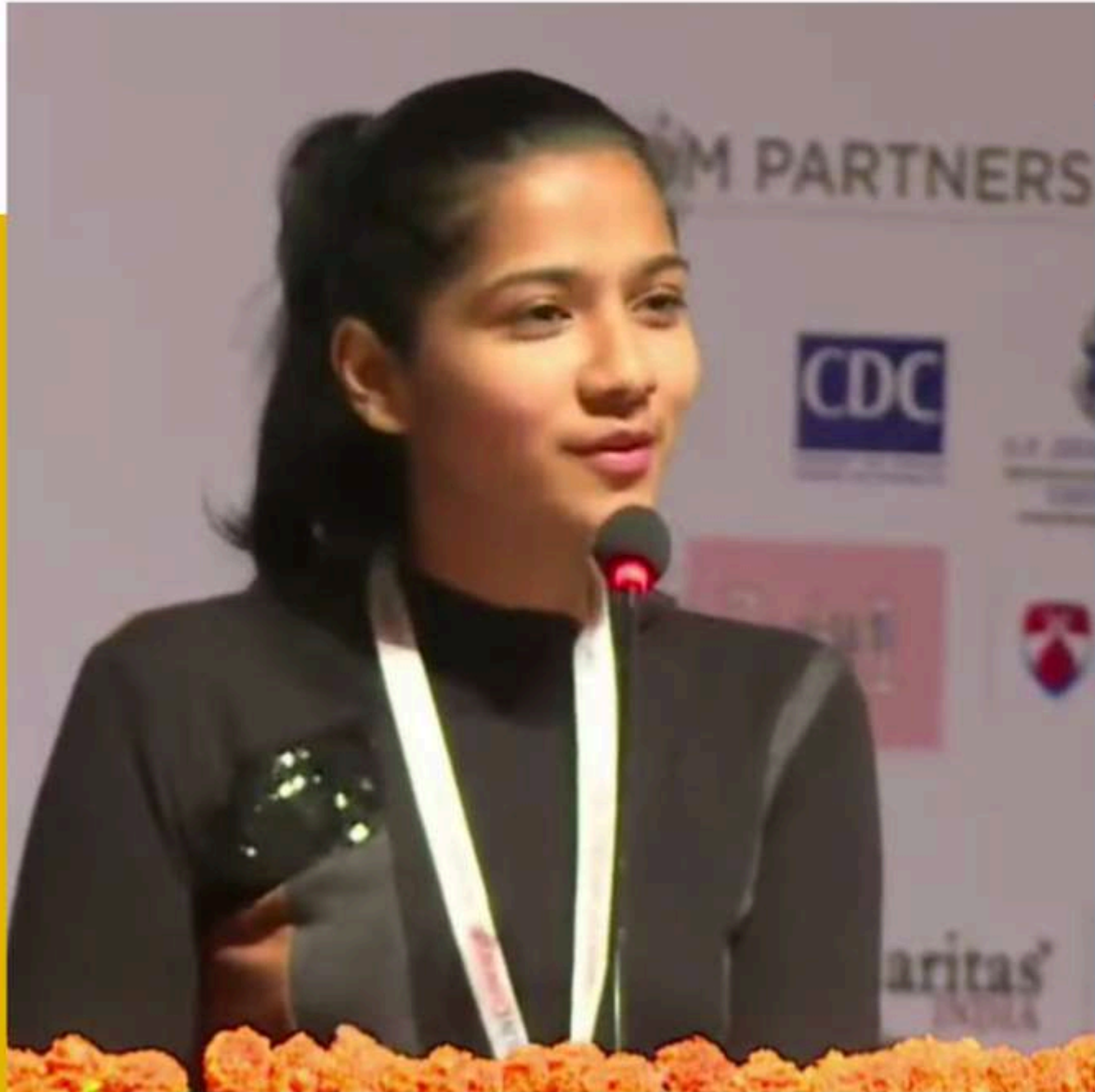
SNEHA SHAHI



Sneha is a Conservationist and UNEP - Plastic Tide Turner Ambassador, India.

She is currently a doctoral student at ATREE, she is driven by the idea of coexistence and aiming to inspire positive actions towards social and environmental issues. Interested in developing resilience, adaptation policies and integrated strategies for climate change mitigation.

NEHA JAIN



Neha is a passionate learner, who has been working on the intersection of climate action, inclusive education and gender equality with different stakeholders. She currently engages with UNICEF India as Youth Co- Content Creator and has also been selected for Women Leadership & Sustainability Program 2023-24 by UNESCO x Women@Dior. From fostering climate education at the grassroots, to standing for urban forest conservation and promoting sustainable menstrual hygiene, she is attempting leave no stone unturned for making a positive difference.

DEEPANJALI



Deepanjali is the founder of YUVA ki DAHAD. A young Changemaker and Activist. She uses poetry as a tool for activism. She has planted more than 5000 trees and distributed 3000 trees among her district Nuapada.

AARAV SETH



Aarav is a 15 year old climate activist and the Founder of #WeRiseTogether, He has been a TEDx Speaker twice. As part of his initiative, they have done 5000+ plantations and donated 8000+ sanitary pads 2500+ Books.



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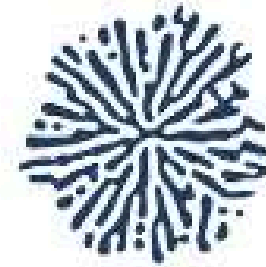
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What is Zero Waste Hub?

The Zero Waste Hub is all about empowering the voices of

young Indians who are actively creating innovative solutions for zero waste.

It is a prominent space filled with valuable resources, guiding the public towards circular and zero-waste local economies.

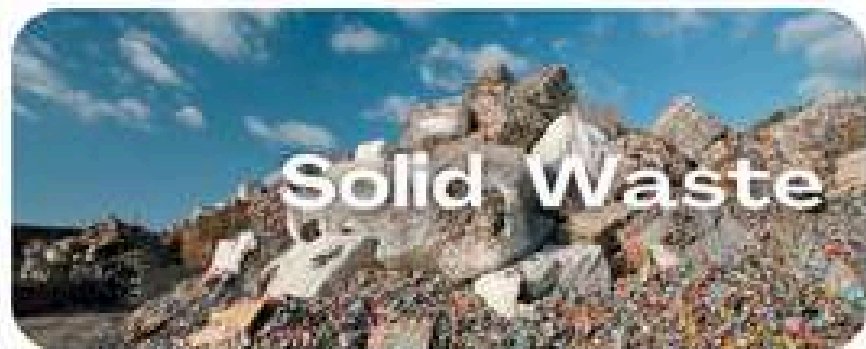
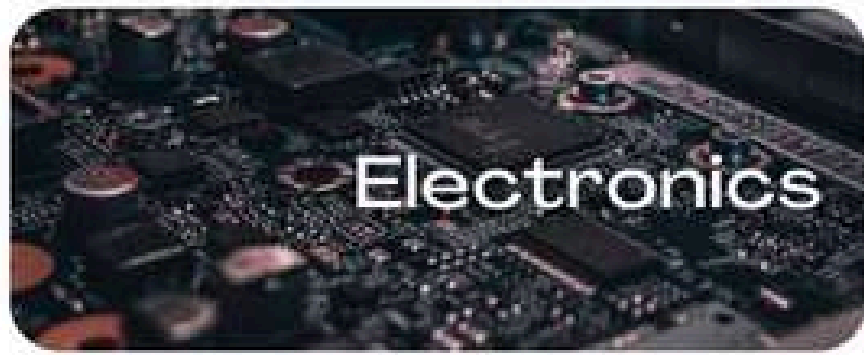
This dedicated hub isn't just about words; it's a **call to action**, urging others to get involved, especially the youth in India who aspire to pioneer inventive solutions for a waste-free future.

It stands as a beacon, showcasing practical steps and inspiring

collective efforts toward a just transition.

Why achieving **Zero Waste** is a Necessity

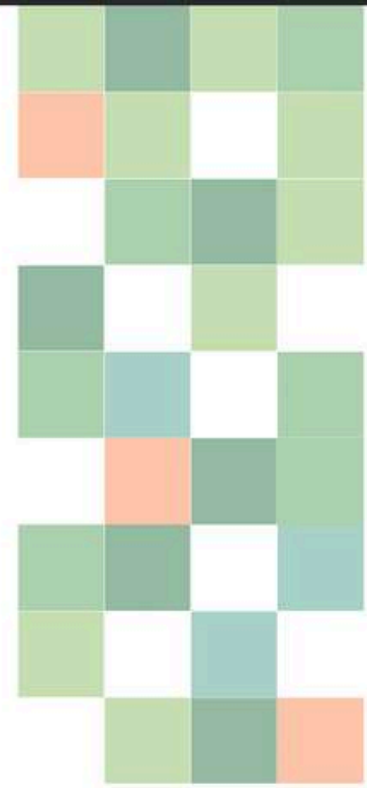




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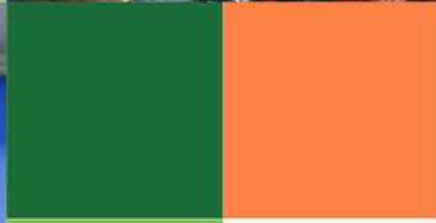
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