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### Miyawaki Forest Jad Se Majboot (Stronger from the roots)

### Development of a 9-Acre Forest Using the Miyawaki Technique





### Environment conservation is about creating a sustainable future and healing the planet. Our cities need green lungs to counter the growing effects of climate change.

Using the Miyawaki technique, we're turning 9 acres of barren land into a thriving forest. Over the next three years, we'll continue to care for this new green legacy.



### Building a forest stronger form the roots



### **The Vision**

**Transforming 9 acres** of barren land into a thriving forest using the Miyawaki technique.



### **Key Elements**

**5,500 native saplings**, including fruit-bearing, flowering, and medicinal plants, planted to create a balanced ecosystem.



### VoluNTTeering

Supported by **113 #NTTChangemakers**, we planted over **350 saplings** 



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### The Commitment

A three-year maintenance plan to ensure the forest's long-term **growth and sustainability.** 



### Key The Location

80 kilometers from Mumbai





### The Impact

Improved air quality, restored biodiversity, reduced soil erosion, and a cooler, greener environment.

### Miyawaki Forest: A Proven Forest Restoration Method

Developed by Prof. **Akira Miyawaki**, this method rapidly restores native forests by planting diverse native species closely together. It creates multilayered, resilient ecosystems through ecological engineering. **Trees grow vertically**, optimizing sunlight. Miyawaki won the **2006 Blue Planet** Prize for his **environmental contributions**.

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### The Need



### India loses over **1.5 million** hectares of forest annually







The Miyawaki method helps reverse this alarming trend by creating dense, CO2absorbing forests that restore ecosystems and combat climate change

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### **Strategic Location**

A forest land, chosen closer to Mumbai, to restore green cover near urban areas



### **Diverse Planting**

**5,500 saplings**, carefully selected from fruiting, flowering, and medicinal **plants to foster biodiversity** 





### The Need

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### **Empowering Communities**

This initiative not only restores the environment but also benefits local communities by improving air quality and providing natural resources



### **Tailored Approach**

While using the Miyawaki method, we've adapted it to suit the unique soil and land conditions, ensuring the forest thrives in harmony with its surroundings





### Strong from the roots: Transforming Barren Land into a Green Haven





### **Environmental Impact**

- ✓ Reduces surface temperature & improves air quality
- Strengthens the land's roots, supporting water retention, improving the water table, and reducing surface runoff





### 9 Acres | 5,500+ Native Trees

- First Year: Saplings are thriving, the land once barren is now green, symbolizing growth and resilience
- Creating Opportunities: Employment provided to locals from nearby villages





### **Biodiversity Growth**

- In the coming years this forest will provide habitat for birds and small animals
- ✓ Enhances local biodiversity with rare, native plants

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### Long-term Impact – Aligns with net zero ambition

- Absorbs hundreds of tons of CO2, improving air quality and combating global warming
- Roots of Sustainability: Committed to long-term forest care in collaboration with the forest department ensures continued growth



### **Community Empowerment**

- Fruits and medicinal plants offer nutrition and new livelihood opportunities
- Sustainable consumption methods enable local communities to thrive



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