EDITORIAL
Welcome to 2019. Wishing the best to every one CGR has determined to go wide and innovative to make a high impact for a positive change.

The 24th Climate Conference at Katowice, Poland held 3-14 December 2018 sustains the hopes that the spirit and essence of Paris accord lives on to contain global warming.

Both the Earth Day and World Environment Day have expressed concern on the plastic challenge around the globe. Here at CGR, we have brought out green manifesto to gather political will to create a healthy and greener India. We hope the New Year brings in good leads and successes in the endeavor of CGR environmental mission.

We are grateful to all the encouragement and support form members, well-wishers and all concerned citizens.

CGR has revived **CNN-CGR Nature News**, to be in constant contact and interface with the concerned citizens. With the revival, we are bringing it with monthly periodicity to share the commitments and the reaches in our long journey. This communication contains a brief recapture of CGRs work in 2018. Let us strive with new ideas in the New Year towards the sustainable vision.
Foundation Stone for Earth Centre
The Earth Centre, proposed by Council for Green Revolution (CGR) is an independent think tank and premier environmental education and research Centre supported and guided by an esteemed think-tank comprised of environmentalists, academicians, journalists, conservationists etc. The foundation stone was laid by Shri M.C. Mehta, Advocate Supreme Court of India and an eminent enviro-legal activist. Earth Day, 22 April 2018 to create physical infrastructure of the centre.

The proposed centre is located near Anmaspalli village (Hyderabad to Srisailam road) which is just 20 km away from the Hyderabad airport. Proposed centre is planned to be constructed as a model for eco-friendly facility to inspire and promote conservation among society.
Green Manifesto-2019
CGR, along with Capital Foundation Society organized a National Debate on “Environmental protection-A challenge before Electorate” on 17 November 2018, at Constitution Club, New Delhi and shared the manifesto to all political parties and public domain. Sri AK Patnaik, Sri Murali Manohar Joshi, Sri Abhishek Singhvi, Senior politicians and Justice Vikramjit Sen, Former Justice and AK Patnaik, Justice Supreme Court of India, have given their insights. Prior to the Delhi programme CGR organized a debate at Press club Somajiguda, Hyderabad on 31st October, 2018 where experts shared the relevance and need of integrating SDGs into the manifestos of all political parties.

Sri. R. Dileep Reddy, Chairman GrACE addressing the gathering at Delhi
Plantation programmes
CGR has facilitated planting nearly 10,000 saplings in monsoon 2018. At Aksharavanam 2740 were planted. At Gummadiyuru Buddhist Archeological site at Penugranchiprolu, Krishna district 1550 saplings were planted. CGR has facilitated plantation of about 1016 saplings at institution such as Fresh Root Montessori School, Govt. City Collage, Govt. Primary School, Sangiguda, Irvin High School, Govt. Jr. College, Madgula. Also during 29th September to 02nd October, 2018 CGR in association with Rangareddy District Endowment Department has facilitated planting 21 temples in Shadnagar, Shamshabad, Uppal, Ramanthapur, Jillelaguda, Sahebnagar, Keesaragutta, Alwal, Thurkayamjal, Kushaiguda. A total of 2351 saplings were distributed through this programme. Supported by Factcet, CGR has facilitated planting 2182 saplings in Girikothapalli and Maisigandi villages in Rangareddy district.
Jammi Mahotsavam
CGR Facilitated 160 Jammi, Maredu saplings ate distributed at Chandra gardens, Hyderabad on 30th September, 2018 on the occasion of Dasara festival.

Participation in PATNAM Environment Rally: 2nd October, 2018 CGR Staff participated in Human Rally at Tank bund organized by PATNAM Environment Rally and Human chain to raise awareness on Environment
NSS Camp, Sattupalli  Sri. K. Laxma Reddy, Sri. T. Ravinder Rao has addressed students of Agriculture College at a NSS Camp at 10th October, 2018 Narayanapuram village, Sattupalli mandal, Khammam district. Co-ordinated by Dr. D. Srinivas Reddy

MoU with Vision 360
CGR made a MoU with Vision 360, New Delhi for the promotion of CGR in to wider public domain, for partnerships and to expand scale, scope and impact. Mr. Ranjan Kumar Misra, CEO and Ms. Sanchita Misra, Director of Vision 360 have visited the work areas of CGR 10th and formalized MoU on 11th December, 2018.

Mr. Ranjan Kumar Misra and Ms. Sanchita Misra have visited ZPHS Khanapur, Talakondapally mandal, Rangareddy district where CGR has facilitated the making of Green campus

Training on E- Waste: Sri. M. Lakshmana Rao and P. Kotaiah from CGR attended a training camp on Awareness on environmental Hazards of E- Waste at Telangana State Pollution Control Board, sponsored by Ministry of Electronics and information Technology
Networking-Participation in Bharathiya Sanskriti Utsava-5: During 29th Dec, 2018 to 01st Jan, 2019, K. Laxma Reddy and Leela Laxma Reddy have participated in Bharathiya Sanskriti Utsava-5 program organized by Bharat Vikas Sangam at Bijapur, Karnataka.

Global News: Up on rise: Recent reports on reveal that the emission seemed to be stable since Paris accord in 2015. However, surprisingly there has been a rise in the figures for 2018. It was 2.5 % in USA, 4.7 in China, and highest rise is from India(6.3 %). Europe, where people are highly conscious shows the other side of the scenario, a 0.7 % reduction. Let all congratulate them, take inspiration from them.

New face CGR website and social media: CGR has been in the process of up gradation of its website, social media (Facebook, instagram, twitter and YouTube) to widespread the noble mission of cause of CGR. Please look into the website (www.cgrindia.org) and give feedback.
GGR invites articles, experiences, case studies etc. for the newsletter on environment, ecology and sustainable development issues. The articles shall not exceed two pages. Mail us; contact@cgrindia.org

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“live in each season as it passes, breathe the air, drink the drink, taste the fruit, and resign yourself to the influence of the earth.” — Henry David Thoreau, Walden

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