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February 2026

As winter softens and spring begins to stir, **February** reminds us that renewal is both a natural rhythm and a conscious choice. Just as landscapes prepare for new growth, our work this month reflects **steady strengthening – of partnerships and ecosystems.**

This month reflects that spirit of collaboration and continuity. From representing our work at **TREESCAPES 2026** to strengthening coastal resilience in the Sundarbans with **Ashraya Hastha Trust**, and deepening climate partnerships with **Kia India**, our journey continues to expand through shared purpose. Each collaboration reinforces a simple truth: **restoration grows stronger when knowledge, technology, and collective will come together.**

On the ground, **Green Impact** continues to go beyond saplings. Farmer trainings, thriving orchards in Rajasthan, and the quiet return of biodiversity remind us that true restoration is measured not just in numbers, but in systems regaining balance.

Equally, the heart of our work lies in people. Stories emerging from desert landscapes reflect courage, adaptability, and shared ownership of change.

The spirit of renewal also shaped our **HUGE Spring Walkathon**, where movement, wellbeing, and environmental consciousness came together reminding us that caring for the planet and caring for ourselves are deeply connected.

In our **Eco-Inspired Art**, watching life respond to that small gesture became a powerful reminder that **restoration begins with intention.**

With gratitude to every partner, farmer, and supporter, we move forward – deepening roots, strengthening ecosystems, and building resilience that lasts.

~ **Team SankalpTaru**



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1 ECO-COLLABORATIONS



TREESCAPES 2026

We are proud to share that **Apurva and Annie** represented SankalpTaru at **TREESCAPES 2026**, the 1st South East Asian Agroforestry and Trees Outside Forests Congress in **New Delhi (Feb 5–7, 2026)**. The congress, organized by **CIFOR-ICRAF and ICAR**, brought together experts from across the globe to explore agroforestry, climate resilience, sustainable livelihoods, and net-zero goals for 2070.

A highlight for us: our paper on **Beyond the Canopy: Leveraging FOrSTation, Blockchain and GeoTagging to Drive Inclusive Agroforestry Through Climate Science** — was selected for **presentation!** Annie presented our work with clarity and enthusiasm, showing how technology can **monitor, scale, and make environmental restoration transparent and impactful.**

TREESCAPES 2026 also offered rich opportunities to network with global delegates from Africa and South East Asia, exchanging insights on scaling agroforestry, Trees Outside Forests, carbon credits, forest certification, and green finance. These conversations reinforced the importance of collaboration and knowledge-sharing for environmental innovation.

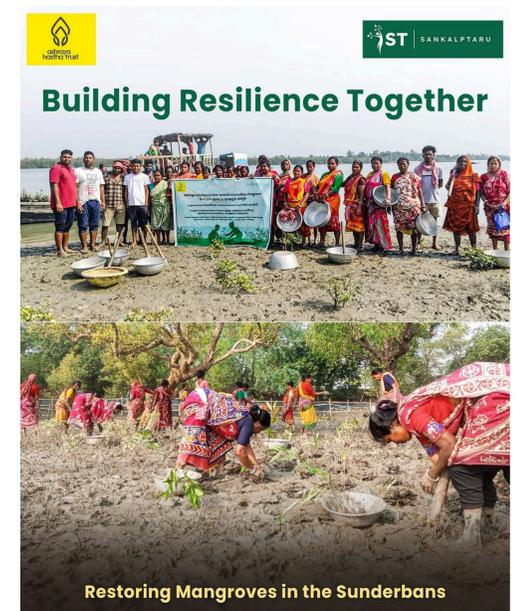
A heartfelt appreciation to Annie and Apurva for putting SankalpTaru on the **international stage**, and to all the delegates whose expertise inspires us to keep pushing boundaries in environmental action.

Strengthening Coastal Resilience with Ashraya Hastha Trust

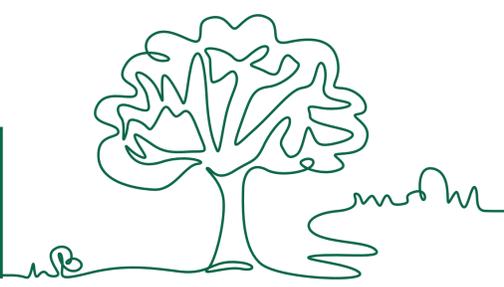
Restoration is never just about planting trees — it is about planting hope, protection, and foresight.

In the tidal landscapes of the Sundarbans, mangroves are more than trees. They stand as nature's frontline guardians, shielding communities from floods, cyclones, and rising tides.

We are grateful to Ashraya Hastha Trust for partnering with us to strengthen these fragile ecosystems. This year, together, we planted 50,000 mangrove saplings, with another 50,000 planned for the next financial year — building not only ecological resilience, but also community preparedness for the years ahead.



1 ECO-COLLABORATIONS



Driving Change Together: Kia India's Climate Action Partnership

As part of our ongoing Project Uphaar monthly series, this month we turn the lens from conversations to commitment.

Our partnership with **Kia India** began on a truly national scale — spanning 15 states in its very first phase, and now expanded to 20 states in Phase 3.

Sapling distribution at this scale demands meticulous planning and coordination. Our forestry team selects native fruit saplings suited to regional soil and climatic conditions, ensuring both ecological relevance and livelihood potential. Field coordinators then manage quality procurement, secure transportation, and timely doorstep distribution to registered farmer beneficiaries.

We are grateful to Kia India for trusting us to execute this initiative at scale—where quality, resilience, and long-term sustainability remain at the heart of every step.

Roots Of Trust. Shoots Of Hope.



Going Beyond Textbooks

We are grateful to **Oakridge International School, Mohali**, for inviting **SankalpTaru** to lead a session on **deforestation for Class 5 students**.

We appreciate Simar for leading the session with energy and insight, engaging students in thoughtful discussions on deforestation while highlighting the importance of forests, biodiversity, and individual responsibility. It was inspiring to see young minds actively participate, ask questions, and connect classroom knowledge with real-world environmental challenges.

Would you like to host a similar session at your school?
Email us at wishy@sankalptaru.org and let's inspire the next generation of eco-conscious thinkers!



2 GREEN IMPACT



More Than Greenery!

Every landscape tells a story, if we pause long enough to notice. Some stories are written in nests, some in wings, and some in the quiet presence of creatures that choose to stay.

When varied forms of wildlife begin appearing in the same space, it reflects more than greenery — it shows that natural systems are slowly knitting themselves back together. Each species plays a role in maintaining balance, from controlling insect populations to supporting plant regeneration.

Our work goes beyond planting saplings. It is about creating conditions where life can return, interact, and sustain itself. Because true restoration is not measured only by the number of trees planted, but by the life that finds a home among them.

Nature Through Our Eyes

Different species occupy different roles in an ecosystem, and their presence suggests that food sources, vegetation structure, and habitat conditions are becoming more supportive of wildlife. When birds and reptiles are seen sharing a landscape, it reflects growing biodiversity and improving ecological balance. For us, this is a reminder that restoring green cover is not just about planting trees — it is about rebuilding living systems where multiple forms of life can thrive together.

Hogare halli chikmagalur district

Indian Chameleon (Chamaeleo zeylanicus)

Moves with a gentle sway, like a leaf in the wind. Uses a long, sticky tongue to catch insects from afar — Chameleons are sensitive to habitat changes. They only stay where vegetation, insects, and shelter exist. Colour changes aren't for camouflage — they communicate mood, temperature, and social signals. Its presence means:

- Healthy vegetation
- Thriving insect life
- A balanced, undisturbed habitat

A quiet guardian of ecological balance.

Hogare halli chikmagalur district

Indian Golden Oriole (Oriolus kundoo)

A flash of golden yellow in leafy treetops. More often heard than seen — its flute-like call echoes through forests. This bird isn't just passing by. It's feeding, nesting, and helping forests grow. Its return tells us:

- Trees are maturing
- Food sources are growing
- Habitat conditions are improving

A sign that nature feels safe again.

Sankalp Taru Dehradun Office Backyard

Baya Bird (Ploceus philippinus)

Tiny architects of the treetops, weaving homes with skill and patience. More than just a bird — each nest is a delicate lantern hanging from branches, built to impress and protect. Their meticulous work tells us:

- Forest branches are strong and healthy
- Grasslands and vegetation provide material and sustenance
- Biodiversity is thriving as the ecosystem supports nesting and breeding

A sign that the ecosystem is thriving and balanced.

Kallutavaragere village, Koppal district Karnataka

From Soil to Soul

Rajasthan reminds us of — Sun, sand, forts and winter skies.

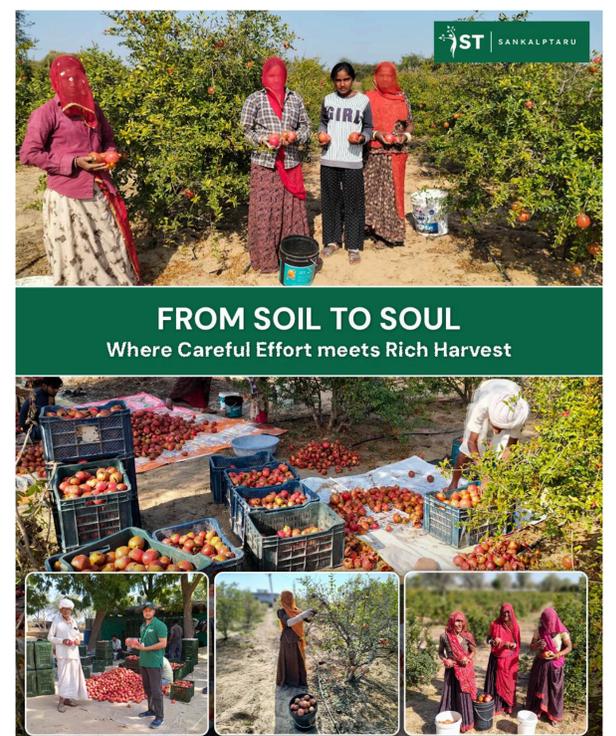
When we first walked into these lands, we didn't ask "What does the desert lack?" We asked, "What does it already know?"

With guidance from our foresters, high-quality Pomegranate saplings, mindful use of every drop of water, and women at the centre the desert began to glow in shades of ruby.

Today, the branches bend — not from heat, but from abundance. Premium fruit. Steady income. Happy Hearts.

We feel pride in sowing not just the saplings in the deserts but empowerment in the hearts of women farmers.

Plant with us: <https://sankalptaru.org/project-green-thar/> #GivetoGain



2 GREEN IMPACT



Farmer Training

Achieving 90%+ survival in agroforestry goes beyond plantation – it requires

Structured training,

Timely guidance, and

Shared accountability.

Over **50 SankalpTaru Foundation beneficiary farmers**, nurturing their orange orchards, came together for a **two-day farmer training on fruit cultivation and management**.



The session focused on:

- 🌱 Understanding the role of NPK (Nitrogen, Phosphorus, Potassium) in crop health
- 🌱 Soil and water testing to guide informed nutrient management
- 🌱 Best practices in planting, pruning, and fertilization
- 🐛 Integrated pest and disease management
- 📦 Post-harvest handling and smarter market linkages

Farmers brought experience, commitment, and deep knowledge of their land. We provided the technical alignment, field-level guidance, and continuous support that help agroforestry practices integrate seamlessly into their farms.

At SankalpTaru Foundation, we honour donor trust by standing alongside farmers – until orchards flourish and livelihoods strengthen.



4 HUGE APP- HEALTHY US THROUGH GREENING ENVIRONMENT

🌟 New Walkathon Alert 🌟 Spring Walkathon

Spring is here — and with it comes a gentle reminder that growth begins with small steps.

As the air softens and new leaves unfold, this season invites us to move more, breathe deeper, and reconnect not just with nature, but with our own wellbeing.

Every walk you take strengthens your body, clears your mind, and becomes part of a collective effort to restore the planet we call home.

Through SankalpTaru, your completed steps lead to trees being planted on your behalf — growing into forests, cleaner air, richer soil, and renewed life for the Earth.

This spring, don't just witness nature's renewal. Be a part of it.

Join our **Spring Walkathon** on our **HUGE app** and turn your daily steps into something bigger than yourself.



SPRING WALKATHON 2026
This spring, let your steps take root.

Why Join?
Every walk is a step toward healthier lives and a healthier planet.

Start Date: 15th February, 2026
End Date: 15th March, 2026

1,00,000 steps

Visit App to Join the Walkathon

GET IT ON

Walk for your Health. Walk for the Planet.

🌟 New Activity Alert 🌟 Spring Walkathon Activity

This spring, let's look at growth through a new lens.

Growth isn't only something we see in trees and flowers — it's something we choose in our daily lives. Every time you step outside for a walk, you're choosing movement, fresh air, and a moment to reconnect with the world around you.

Walking supports your body, clears your mind, and reminds you that you are part of a living, breathing planet. It's not about speed or distance — it's about showing up consistently, with awareness and care.

Across nine simple, reflective phases, you'll walk with intention — for your well-being, for the environment, and for a greener tomorrow.

Complete the journey to earn 10 Greens, which can be donated to the SankalpTaru Foundation. Top participants will have trees planted in their name, turning mindful movement into long-term environmental impact.

Let your steps remind you: growth happens when we choose to move with purpose.

Join us:

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.sankalptaru.sankalptaru&pli=1>

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5 GRAMYUMM



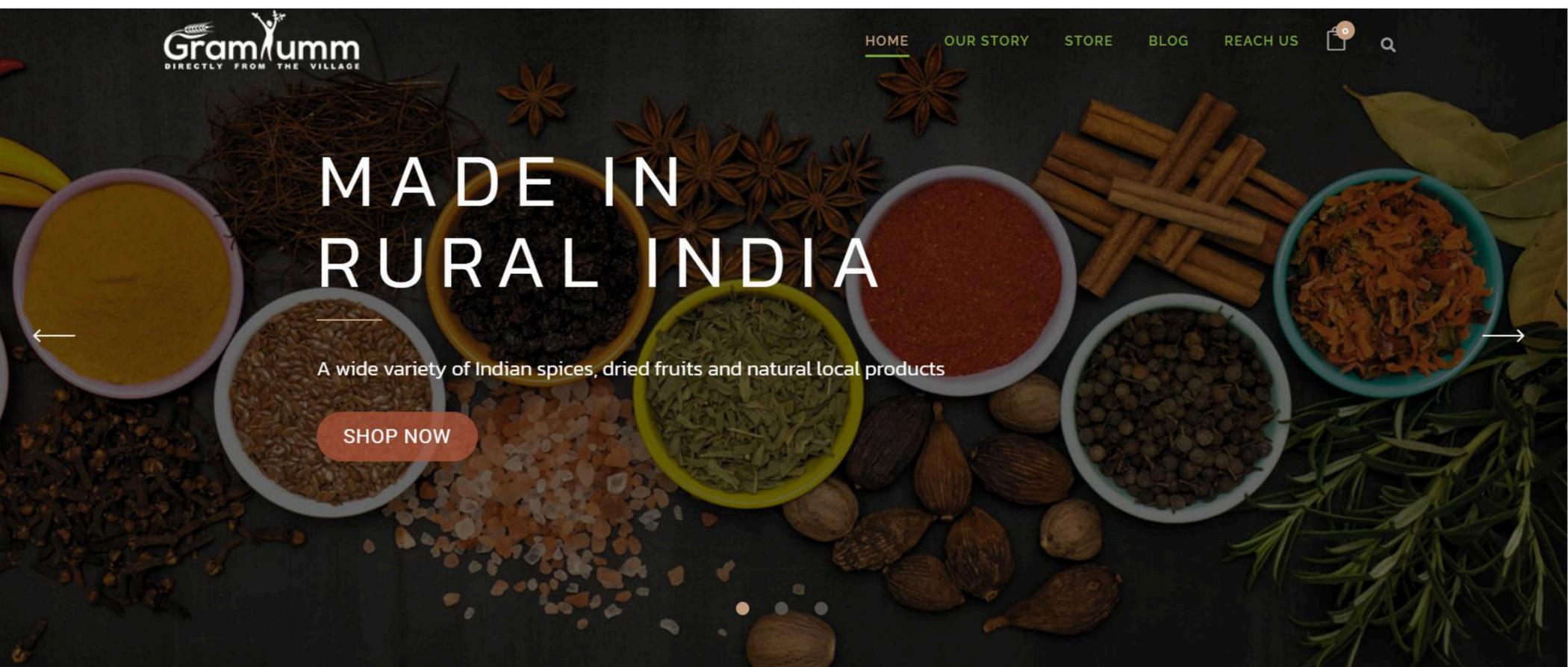
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When you choose our products, you choose sustainable living which not only benefits you but also Mother Earth and its resources.

6 ECO-INSPIRED ART



Kindness never stays empty for long.

With forests shrinking and natural nesting spaces disappearing, small human actions can make a real difference. [This easy DIY nest](#) is a gentle way to support bird life around your home.

- 🌿 Try making one
- 🏠 Hang it in a quiet, shaded spot
- 👁️ Let nature do the rest

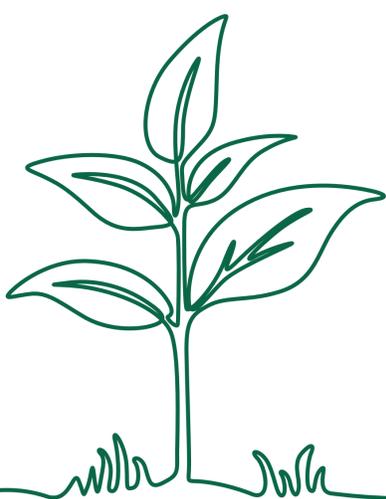
Interested in DIY workshops? Reach out to us at wishy@sankalptaru.org.

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DIY Build a Nest

And we have proof that Nature Does the Rest

REDUCE
REUSE
RECYCLE



7 CALL TO ACTION

ROOTED IN PURPOSE, GROWING WITH YOU

Every tree we plant, every community we engage, and every barren land we revive begins with a simple belief: **change is possible, and it begins with us.**

What keeps us going? The spark in a farmer's eye, the shade of a young sapling, the smile of a schoolchild learning about their planet. Your support, your action, your belief—it all adds up.

"Do not wait for extraordinary circumstances to do good; try to use ordinary situations."

Let's keep moving forward—one act, one tree, one shared vision at a time.

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In the age of instant gratification, let's be like the snails with the right hearts. While you are safe at home, plant trees at www.sankalptaru.org and lend your hand with a click of a button.

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