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Visamo Kids Shelter Home, a beacon of hope for children from underprivileged sections of society in Gujarat, is contributing to creating a greener and more sustainable future by recycling kitchen waste.

This year, as the world observes World Soil Day, Visamo Kids highlights the crucial role of healthy soil in building a sustainable planet. The day emphasises the importance of maintaining soil health to ensure food security, sustain biodiversity and combat climate change. Through its recycling efforts and focus on soil enrichment practices, Visamo Kids is committed to contributing to preserving soil as a vital natural resource for future generations.

The shelter home houses over 100 underprivileged children and generates around 11-12 kilos of wet waste (organic kitchen waste) daily. Instead of throwing away the kitchen waste, it is recycled using a machine on its campus. The waste is used to make compost, which is then packaged and distributed to the donors and volunteers of Visamo Kids Foundation.

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Since 2019, when the kitchen waste project recycling was initiated, Visamo Kids has recycled more than 15,000 kilos of wet waste and prevented it from going to landfill sites like Pirana. The initiative is not only a tool for expanding the Visamo Kids' community outreach and generating awareness among the urban neighborhoods, but it is also helping change the outlook of the kitchen staff and children at the shelter home towards waste segregation, waste reduction, and optimizing recycling. The initiative has helped Visamo Kids connect with donors and well-wishers as an organization committed to the environment.

Visamo Kids collaborated with "Tree Walks", a collective of urban ecologists and tree lovers of Ahmedabad, led by Lokendra and Rini Balasaria, wherein kids at Visamo Kids experienced the fun of enriching the soil by mixing dried cow dung and dry crushed leaves to soil. They also learned to add banana peels to water, keep it covered for 2 -3 days, and use that water after dilution for good growth of plants around.

In a notable achievement for Visamo Kids, one of its students, Priti Vala got the opportunity to represent Gujarat at the "National Consultation on Environment and Climate Change" in Kolkata. Where she shared her view on waste recycling and soil enrichment practices undertaken at her "home".

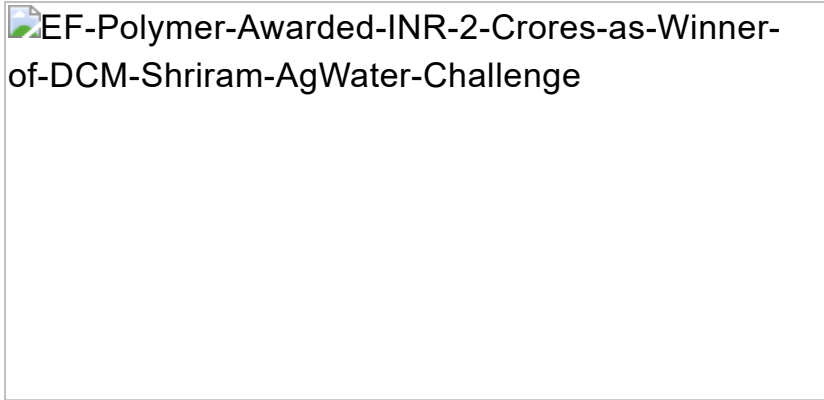
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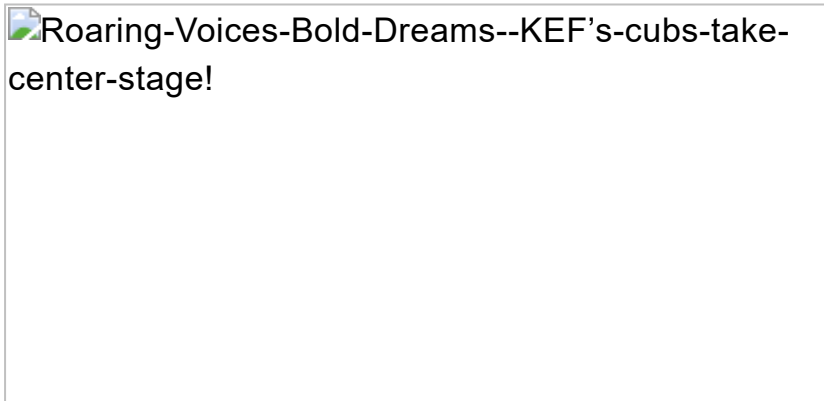


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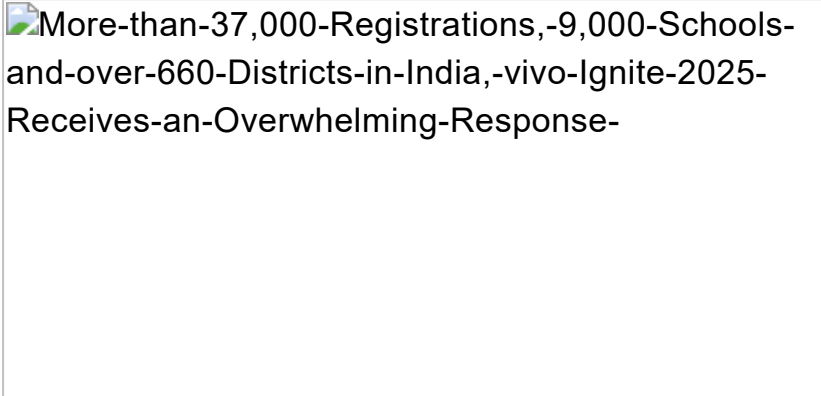


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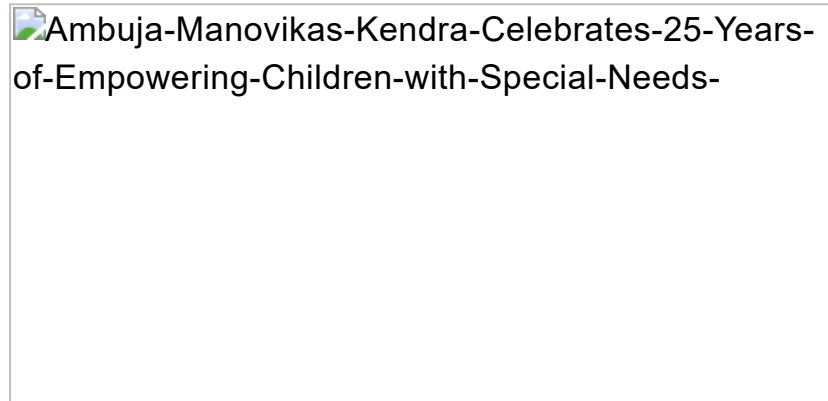
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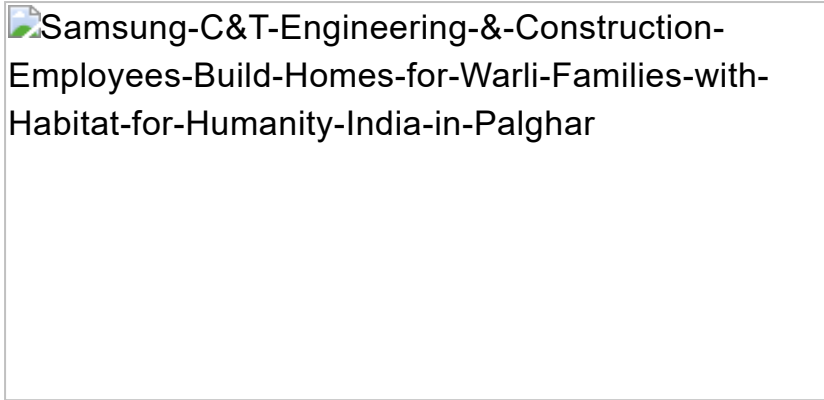
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