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## Citizen Science: Fostering Meaningful Connections with Nature

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## biohlitz

## To do a bioblitz you need:

A place
Some time
Species to count

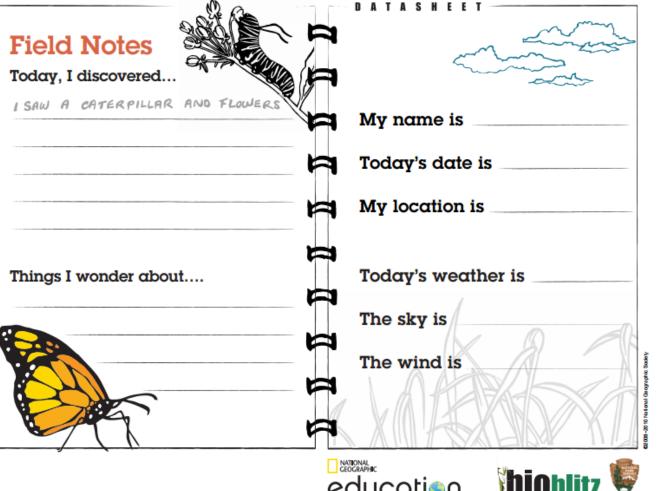






# Schoolyard & backyard bioblitzes











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#### JOIN US FOR A PROJECT AS BIG AS THE WORLD ITSELF.



## THE GREAT PROJECT



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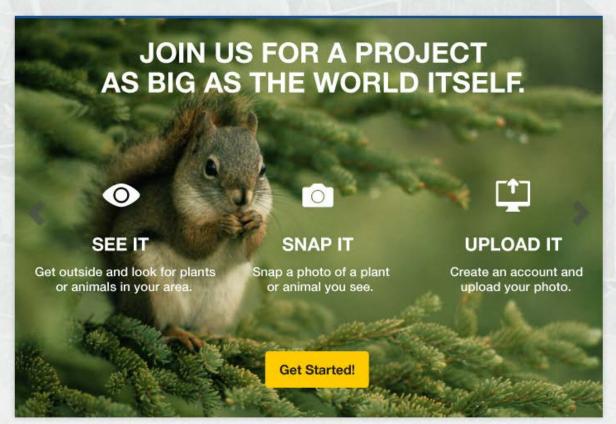
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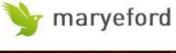


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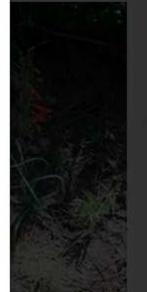


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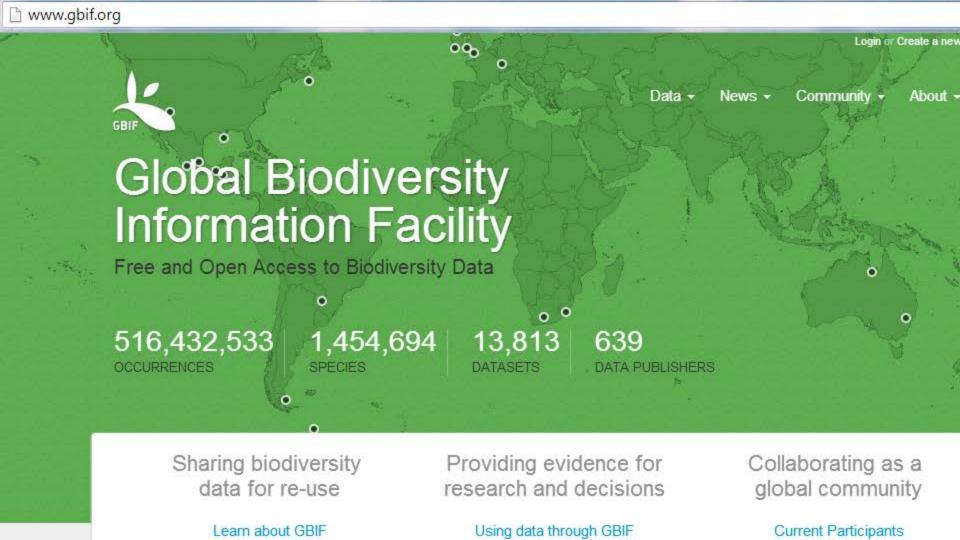
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## GreatNatureProject.org



## **Explorers**

Explorers Home Projects Ways to Support Grants and Programs Donate to National Geographic

#### Young Explorers Grant Application



#### Young Explorers Grant Links

- Young Explorers Grants Main
- · Apply for a Grant
- Young Explorers Grants Workshops
- Application Frequently Asked Questions

#### Meet Our Explorers



#### Explorers

At the heart of explorers protein the quest for knowledge the exploration a people who is possible.

## Lessons learned

 People are inspired by feeling that there is a purpose to their actions

People like being part of a larger effort

 People like to be able to connect to the community that is part of that larger effort





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## A Camera, a Bike, a Kayak and Conservation





Dr. Vedharajan Balaji
Founder and Director,
OMCAR Foundation
(Organization for Marine Conservation and Awareness)
India

#### 1997-99



Self made UW camera





Testing

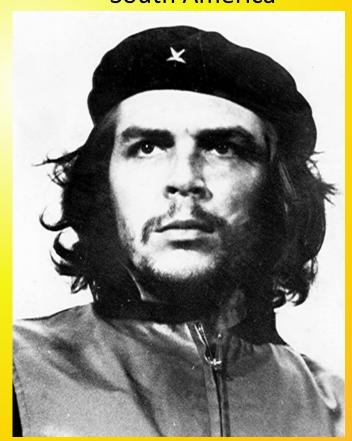
 A Survey report submitted to WWF in 1999 – to insist the need for sea horse conservation in Palk Bay



Seagrass



## Che Guevara – The Motor Cycle Diaries (1952) – South America



#### 2002- My Motor Cycle Diary in South India - 1200km









#### 2003 – for mangroves and sea turtles















#### 2006

### **Building Community Participation Conservation...**



















### 600km Solo Kayak Expedition for Awareness















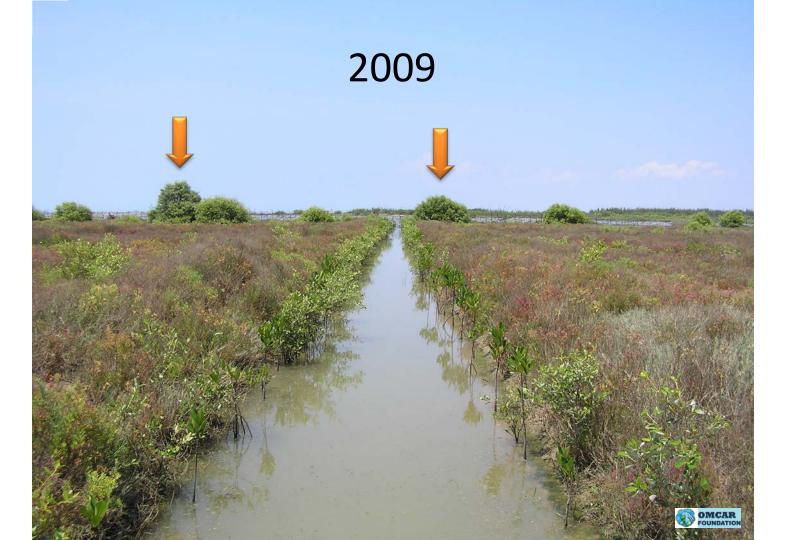


### **Community Based Mangrove restoration**



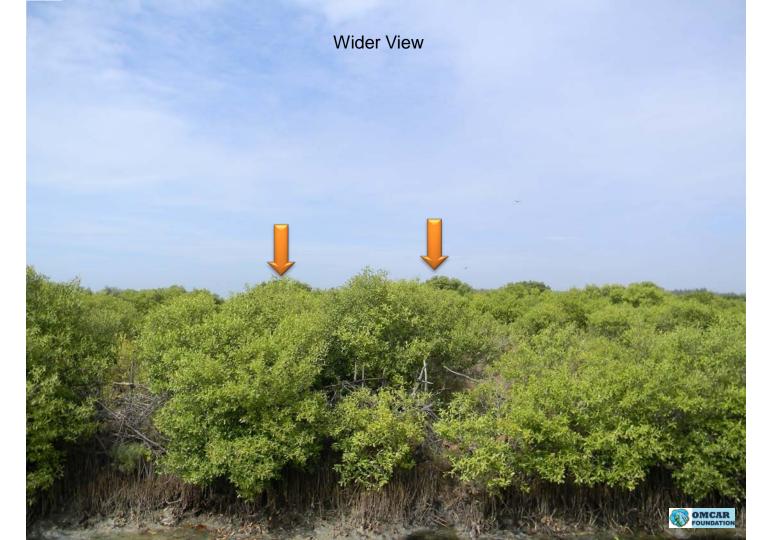












### Palk Bay – Paradise for Marine Mammals





Dugong



Porpoise

Humpback Dolphin

### Palk Bay Environmental Education Centre

Dream come True!







### PALK BAY ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTRE









Active Learning for Environmental Awareness











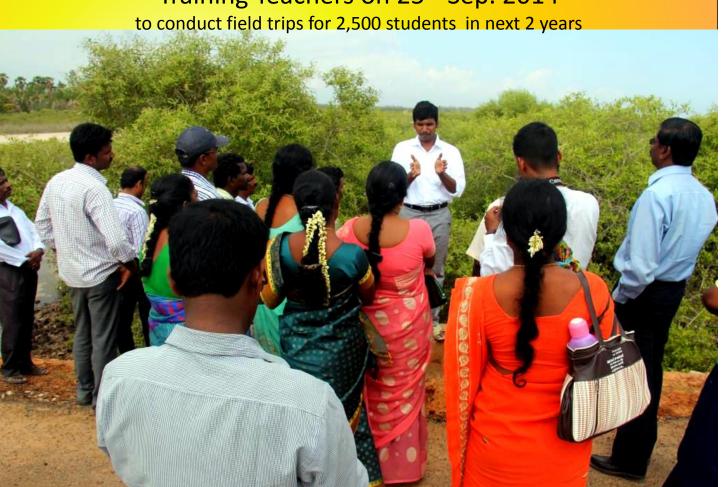






PALK BAY CENTRE

### Training Teachers on 25th Sep. 2014



### Participatory GIS Mapping of Mangroves



Village Sketch by Women



**GPS Survey by** Men





Open Source **GIS Softwares** 





**Community Hall** 



**Decision Making** 





2014

### 2014 - GIS Mapping of Seagrass Beds & Dugong Feeding Spots







# Time For Youth Action! Arise, Awake and take your own responsibility For Conservation

### Sincere Thanks to....

- Light House Foundation, Germany
- National Geographic Conservation Trust, USA
- Ministry of Science and Technology, India
- Rufford Small Grants Programme, UK
- Marubis, Germany
- Convention on Migratory Species (CMS)





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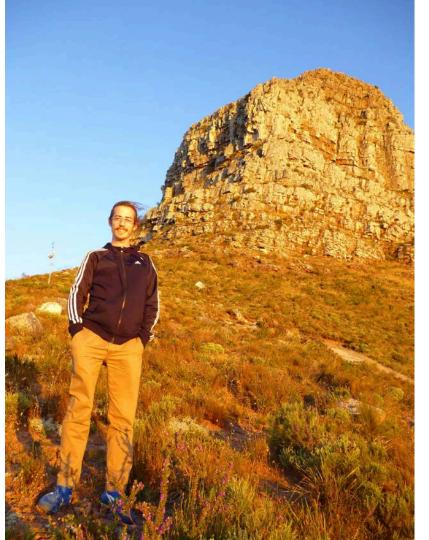












## Reintegrating into Sacred Reciprocal Relations

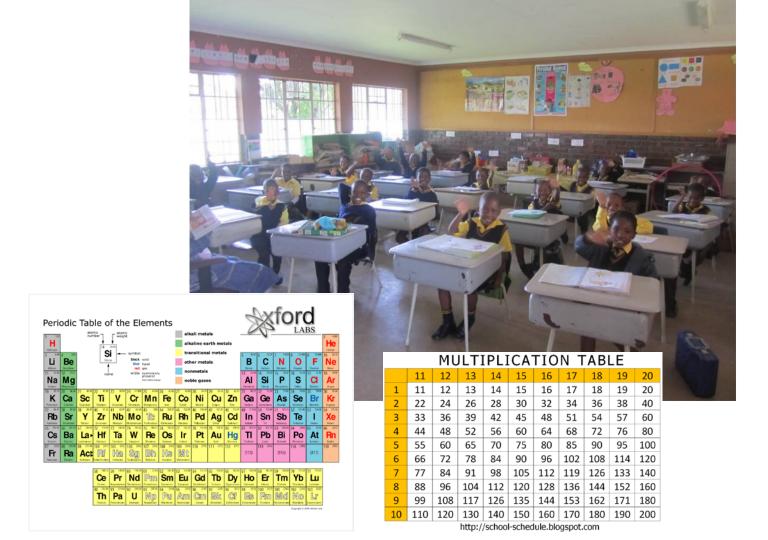
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## Opportunity



## Understanding



## **Creating Leadership Roles**







In the end we preserve only what we love,
We love what we understand,
We understand what we are taught.

Therefore,

If we are Taught, we can Understand,
When we Understand, we can Love,
When we Love, we will Preserve







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## What's your call to action?

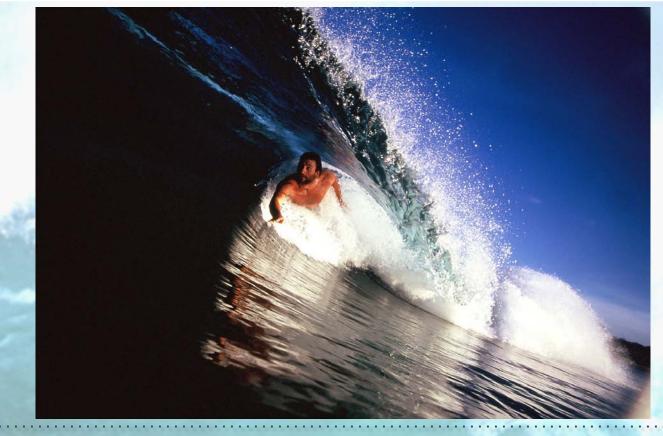
**IUCN World Parks Congress – Sydney 2014** 

TIM SILVERWOOD Co-Founder, Take 3

@timsilverwood @take3cleanbeach
#trashfreefuture









We protect what we love.

Photo: Kerry Down







Juvenile Laysan Albatross, Midway Atoll

Photo: Chris Jordan







### \$10k buys a trip to see floating trash



A voyage in search of sea trash brings hard work and a rare opportunity to visit the middle of the Pacific Ocean aboard a 72-foot racing ship. — Algalita Marine. Research Foundation



Still looking for that perfect Valentine's Day gift?





The \$10,000 opportunity will allow a few lucky -- and wealthy -people to research what's been cast as 'one of our time's most pressing environmental concerns' and earn their keep with all manner of ship duties.





Will you seize the opportunity?







15 seconds worth of trash entering the oceans.
(3 metric tonnes)

Photo: Plastic Garbage Project



### Where does your plastic go?



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