Bhoomi Fellowship
A transformative space for deep, holistic and practical learning

Engage with a community that cares
Discover eco-careers
Do work that is good for you & good for the planet

8 month Fellowship
12th Jul '23 - 13th Mar '24

Bhoomi College
What you can expect at Bhoomi College...

- Creative ways of exploring your inner potential
- Co-creating learner led sessions
- Field trips for experiential and practical learning

Work with committed Bhoomi facilitators and train to be a facilitator yourself

Find tools, develop skills to co-create communities for sustainable living

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Discover your hidden strengths and find your ikigai

Become part of a supportive network of fellows, eco-pioneers and mentors

Work with your head, heart and hands to connect deeply with self, land and community
FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

The Bhoomi Fellowship Programme fosters a transformational process that enables fellows to relook, rethink, and re-examine perceptions of education, development and success. It engages them in an immersive, collaborative learning journey and offers spaces to reimagine a saner future for the planet.

The eight month Fellowship programme is divided into five parts ...
Upcoming Fellowship Programme
12th July 2023 to 13th March 2024

Foundation Module

- Connecting with Self, Land and Community
- Food and Wellness
- Perspectives on Chemical Free Farming
- Ecological Living in Urban Area
- Holistic Design for Living
- Equity and New Economics
- Life Space Design
- Communication and Expression

Real Time Project

Real Time Project offers an opportunity for the fellows to work on a real task/issue/event. Through this project they are able to integrate the learnings from the Foundation Module. They take the ownership of the project from the planning to the execution stage. This gives them a rich learning experience involving critical thinking, systems thinking, decision making, conflict resolution, applying sustainable practices and community building processes etc.
Immersive Module and Learning Journey

The focus of the Immersive Module will be
- Self initiated and self designed learning
- Learning by doing (experiential)
- Research & self study
- Collaboration & peer learning
- Mentoring by experienced facilitators / practitioners

The focus of Learning Journey will be
- Experiences and visiting spaces
- Interacting with people / groups working in the field

Internship

Fellows take up an internship in areas that they wish to explore - with alternative schools, educational initiatives, NGOs, organisations, practitioners or others engaged in projects working towards ecological living, sustainable livelihoods and holistic education. The internship will be for a period of six weeks.

Integration & Sharing

FELLOWS HAVE INTERNEd AT...
1. ProtoVillage
2. Vikalp Sangam
3. Prakriya Green Wisdom School
4. Bhoomi Network
5. Valley School
6. Solitude Farm
7. Sadhana Forest
8. Peepal Farm
9. Marudam Farm School
10. Shaishav Child Rights
11. Manina Mane
12. Khetee
13. cBalance Solutions
14. Gubbachi Learning Community
15. Primalise
And the people who make all the difference!

G Gautama
Director, Pathashaala
PCFL-KFI

Bhargavi Rao
Trustee, Environment Support Group

Indira Vijaysimha
Founder, Poorna Learning Center

Devinder Sharma
Leading Agriculture, Food Policy Expert, Researcher & Writer

Kavitha Kuruganti
Sustainable Agriculture Activist, ASHA

R. Sridhar
Policy Analyst - Ecology, Democracy & Sustainability

Mahesh Anna
Prominent Member of ZBNF

Marutham Kumar
Managing Trustee, Vanagam

Ashish Kothari
Co-founder, Kalpavriksh & Vikalp Sangam

and many more...
A day at Bhoomi College

Shram Daan

Nutritious food

Session at Ananda Hall

Reflection time

Boiler duty

Earth Art

Deep Discussion
Being a product of the mainstream education system, and having spent 17 years in the corporate world, this was as much an unlearning process for me, as it was a learning experience. What started out as a quest for knowledge and expert guidance to shift into a "green" career, soon turned out to be a fascinating inner journey of understanding my own self, facing my fears and decolonizing my own mind. I came here in a hurry to figure out "what next". Bhoomi slowed me down, and I got much more in bargain. This is the space where I finally found my tribe. My wife and daughter have now become part of the Bhoomi family. The fellowship got over long back, but I never really checked out...

Aunindo Ghosh
Project Director - Biodiversity Collaborative, ATREE

I joined Bhoomi with an intention to unravel the trendy word Sustainability. Little did I know that I would be unravelling myself...

At Bhoomi I learnt and lived by the concepts of emergence, complexity and holistic thinking, inside a community which tries to bring out the best in you. This experience not only made me more aware, first principle thinker on conceptual level but also enabled me with tools, practices and ideas to be able to live in harmony with nature in city environment also.

Vinay Garg
Innovation Lead · Atal Innovation Mission

The programme helped me gain holistic perspectives and make connections between the macro and micro elements. It gave me a clear sense of direction, deeper confidence and a strengthening of resolve.

I could then move ahead on the path of my choice to work in building resilient village communities.

Madhavi Rane
Educator - Learner, Pathashaala

Our Alumni at Work

1. National Coalition for Natural Farming
2. Centre for Pastoralism
3. cBalance Solutions
4. ATREE
5. Vikalp Sangam
6. Prakriya Green
7. Wisdom School
8. Extinction Rebellion
9. Dakshin Foundation
10. Atal Innovation Mission
11. Access Livelihoods Consultants
12. Pathashaala
13. Marudam Farm School
14. St. Marino Public School
15. Greenpeace
16. Bhumi
17. Akshay Patra Foundation
18. Poorna Learning Centre
20. All India Radio
21. Lamdon School, Leh
22. Poorna Learning Centre
The intent to join Bhoomi was to explore with no expectations. The course was more of an unlearning than learning; questioning and challenging the perspectives that society holds towards education. It was about understanding the interconnections in the ecosystem, focus on holistic processes, systems thinking, sustainability, inner and outer ecology, circle time, community living and much more.

Manvendra Singh
Community Forester

The resource people that I met and the field visits I made have helped in breaking many myths & beliefs associated with the education system. The interactions & discussions made me reflect on urbanized lifestyles and its impact on the inner and outer ecology. Bhoomi has enabled me to convert my thoughts into actions... I have engaged with an alternative learning center managed the operations, enabling educators to adapt to holistic methodologies in delivering content to students.

Savitha Narayananmurthy
Associate, cBalance

My time at Bhoomi has helped me anchor deeply in my conviction to work in the space of regenerating forests.

Today, I work towards bringing back native Himalayan forests and also facilitate programmes for youth in the region.

Suhasini Pandey
Facilitator, Prakriya Green Wisdom School

Bhoomi has been a nurturing force, it has enabled me to get in touch with my deeper self. The programme helped me understand the child as a whole and create spaces for children to experience themselves completely. As a high school facilitator in Prakriya now, my understanding has deepened, of schools being spaces for not only intellectual growth but also emotional, spiritual and practical learning.

VENTURES STARTED BY ALUMNI...

1. Centre for Youth, Culture, Law and Environment
2. Safe & Happy Periods
3. Aiyor Bai Farm
4. Earth Sitters
5. Pikalara
6. Voice of Sarjapura
7. Dhumbi Farm
8. Iya’s Kitchen
9. Sustainable Menstruation Kerala Collective
10. Hasthkala Creations
11. Okapi Vegan Cafe
12. Jeevisha
13. Sustainability Shoppe
14. Ek - Asha Education Trust
15. Little Mahilam
Programme Fee

INR 85,000 + INR 15,000
(course fee + refundable deposit)

Hostel Facilities

Hostel facilities on campus are available on a twin sharing basis.
Hostel facilities will be provided at the discretion of the Bhoomi College and as per its rules.

Scholarships

Limited Scholarships and work study engagements are available for deserving candidates. To know more about this do mention it when you write to us.

We encourage people who are interested in being part of the fellowship but feel they do not have the resources to apply and reach out to us. We believe in the power of community and gifting and would like to help you in your journey to raise the resources required to attend the fellowship.

We also encourage people to give more than the fellowship fee if they are in such a position. Research shows that spending money on others makes you happier than spending money on yourself, even if the other person is a complete stranger. We encourage all to experiment with this act of indiscriminate altruism. Reach out to us if you feel a scarcity (or abundance) of resources. We would be happy to engage in a conversation with you around the same.
Eligibility

You need to have a graduate degree in any discipline to be eligible for the fellowship. In special cases, this requirement can be waived if you have sufficient work experience / conceptual understanding of issues connected to sustainability and a good working knowledge of English.

This course aims to satisfy a range of learning styles and requirements. The same modules can be addressed by participants at levels of intensity that suit their needs.

There will be no exams; however the rigour of documentation, research, consolidation and end of module presentation is held. For the final presentation, fellows can submit their work as PPTs, videos/ short documentaries, talks or workshops at the end of the programme. Through the programme collaborative work and group projects are focused on.

Admission Process

Please fill the application form HERE. On receiving your application, our team will go through it and get back to you requesting for a face to face or telephonic interview. Based on the written application and the interview, your admission for the fellowship programme will be confirmed.