

**Press Release: The Green Gala – An Evening to enliven our Environment
Gurgaon, June 19th, 2010**

Gurgaon witnessed the second edition of Advit Foundation's annual event – The Green Gala – on the 19th of June. The Green Gala is organized to celebrate and enliven our environment. It is held every year, with an aim to remind people about the beauty of nature. It aims to create an increased awareness of a carbon neutral lifestyle to the Gurgaon populace.

Several events are organized these days to mark the environment crisis. However, we at Advit feel that it is an ignorance crisis that we are facing rather than an environment crisis. We feel that one has to cherish nature to realize the need to conserve it. The Green Gala has had active participation from the Gurgaon community in the past and Advit hopes to recreate the same enthusiasm every year.



The evening featured a collage of events – a movie screening, a play, a mime act and a musical performance. The movie, directed by Sanjay Barnela, recounted some inspiring stories of people and communities who have harnessed nature's immense, constantly renewable capacity for electricity generation.



The mime act, presented by Raktarabi – a group working actively towards spreading social and environmental awareness, centred on “how to save our earth”. The play, by Aasma Theatre Group, showed glimpses of life without water in the year 2050. The message to conserve water could not have been more direct!



The musical performance by Ekam Satyam – a band which is a spin-out of Manzil, an NGO working for educating the urban poor in Delhi – was the most enjoyed segment of the event. They belted out lively music keeping nature and environment as theme.

The event was an eye-opener towards the environmental challenges that our World is facing today and the measures being taken and those that need to be taken to overcome them. It emphasized that the steps one can take need not be too drastic, several small measures are enough to blow the winds of change. At the same time, it was a welcome and pleasant departure from most environment events which focus on the problems rather than the beauty of nature.





Advit Foundation, a not for profit organization, works with the people towards environment conservation. It aims to promote conservation measures that would enhance livelihood and facilitate society to move along the positive path of resource efficiency. Advit's team members strive towards overcoming several myriad complexities of environment and health by working with the local rural population and industrial workers imparting them innovative skills and educating them on occupational health and safety standards. Advit looks forward to your support in this endeavour.

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