



20 May – World Bee Day
21 May – Bike-to-work Day

22 May – International Day for Biological Diversity

Hello from Team EMC and Ekonnnect!

We hope that you and your family members are keeping well. The times are challenging, and our heart goes out to all the victims of the virus and their loved ones. Wishing strength and courage to all the front-line workers who are risking their lives for keeping the rest of the citizens safe.

Organizations like [Stree Mukti Sanghatana](#) and [Kashtakari Panchayat](#) are doing an incredible job in providing decent livelihood and providing essentials to waste pickers. They now need your help to support these waste pickers and their families as they work relentlessly to ensure our cities are clean despite declined incomes and rising risk of infections. Check their websites for making a donation!



May 2021
Theme – Account
Resource Consumption

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EMC Project Updates

- The World Bank has contracted EMC to provide support on Bangladesh Environmental Sustainability and Transformation project. EMC will also support the World Bank in finalizing a multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder action plan for sustainable plastic management.
- EMC was recently appointed by Cleantech Solar, a leading developer, owner, and operator of photovoltaic solar assets in Asia, for conducting a monitoring audit to assess the implementation of the Environmental and Social Management Plan for two of their Solar Photovoltaic (PV) power plant projects.

Climate Ready for Women In Upcycling

Ekonnnect collaborated with Climate Collective as a knowledge partner in supporting their Entrepreneurship Development Program for Women Founders in Upcycling Business. This is a pre-accelerator program which is being conducted for a duration of 6 months (December 2020 to May 2021), with a focus on imparting business literacy and entrepreneurship skills through training and mentorship sessions to create a gender balanced and inclusive startup ecosystem for upcycling businesses. Click [here](#) to learn more!

EMC looking for EHS and Climate specialists

- EMC is looking for adding an EHS specialist to assist in conducting Environmental & Social Due Diligence. The candidate should have experience of at least 3 years in an industry or a consulting company. Familiarity with Indian legislation on environment, health & safety including social welfare is essential. Familiarity with IFC Performance Standard will be desirable. Note that this is an entry or middle level position. The candidate should preferably be from Mumbai or should be willing to relocate. Write to pranay.krishnan@emcentre.com with a copy to Sivaranjani@emcentre.com with CV, current CTC and two references.
- EMC is actively working in the area of climate change focusing on decarbonization planning and climate vulnerability assessment. We are looking for candidates with exposure to climate science, mitigation and adaptation planning. Write to krupa.desai@emcentre.com with a copy to Sivaranjani@emcentre.com with CV, current CTC and two references.

Announcing the release of 'Practicing Circular Economy'



We are pleased to announce the launch of book titled **"Practicing Circular Economy"** authored by Dr. Prasad Modak. This book is an outcome of Dr Modak's four decades of international experience. The book includes 100+ handpicked case studies across geographies and sectors, business models, policies frameworks and finance. The book is a treasure-trove of knowledge for someone who is looking to make career in Circular Economy. Visit <https://lnkd.in/dHYhBmj> to obtain a **20% pre-order discount**. The book will be available for purchase on Amazon from June 25.

You may like to order Dr Modak's earlier book titled [Environmental Management Towards Sustainability](#) as well

Speaking Engagements

- Dr. Prasad Modak was one of the panelists at the International Conference on Infrastructure Development (ICID) organized by Adani Institute of Infrastructure where he shared his views on the important subject of **"Moving ESG from 5-star Conferences to the Board Rooms"**.
- Dr. Prasad Modak is a part of the international jury evaluating 2021 SEED awards which works towards promoting entrepreneurship for sustainable development. Click [here](#) to learn more!

On the occasion of International Day of Biological Diversity

As defined by **Convention on Biological Diversity**, "Biological Diversity is about more than plants, animals and micro-organisms and their ecosystems – it is about people and our need for food security, medicines, fresh air and water, shelter, and a clean and healthy environment in which to live". The theme for 2021 is "We're part of the solution". The slogan was chosen to be a continuation of the momentum generated last year under the over-arching theme, "Our solutions are in nature", which served as a reminder that biodiversity remains the answer to several sustainable development challenges. From nature-based solutions to climate, health issues, food and water security, and sustainable livelihoods, biodiversity is the foundation upon which we can build back better.

Given the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, Biodiversity Day 2021 will be commemorated through an online-only campaign. You can learn more about the event by clicking [here](#).

'e-internship' is open at EMC!

Given the lockdown situation due to COVID-19, we have opened an 'e-internship' program where interns can work with us remotely. Once the project and duration of the internship are agreed upon, a mentor is assigned to the intern who will stay connected online. **Some of our Associates will also participate as mentors giving the benefit of their vast experience.** A weekly work plan will be prepared and the intern will make a presentation to the EMC Team every week ending with the submission of the final report. **The 'e-internship is open to both Indian and international students.** To learn more about the EMC Internship Program, click [here](#). Over the years, EMC has engaged with 90+ interns. Internship opportunities are available for (but not limited to) the following topics:

- Assessing Impacts of Projects funded through CSR
- Research on ESG Metrics for Sustainable Finance
- Vulnerability Assessment due to Climate Change (Infrastructure and Agriculture)
- Application of Simulation Models for Sustainable Management of Watershed
- Impact of COVID-19 on Environmental and Social Governance
- Utilization of Food and Agricultural Residues- Technology and Economic considerations

For more highlights and details on past projects, you can access the previous issues of our e-newsletter, [here](#)

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