

Team EMC and Ekonnnect wishes you  
**A very Happy and Healthy 2021**

A BIG hello from Team EMC and Ekonnnect!

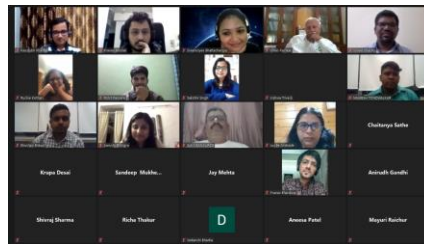
We are pleased to bring to you, a very special 'New Year' edition of EMC Ekonnnect monthly e-newsletter. As promised in the previous issue, we have some very special announcements and updates to share with you. For more information or feedback, please contact us at [emcblogs@emcentre.com](mailto:emcblogs@emcentre.com)



January 2021  
Theme - Minimalism

Click on the image on the right to download wallpaper for the month of January.

## EMC Turned 25!!!



On 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021, EMC turned 25! Once again, we would like to take this opportunity and thank you all for supporting us in this exciting journey. We truly look forward to continue engaging with you in the coming years!

We had a grand e-celebration with our well-wishers, advisors, alumni and team members. It was great catching up. We recollected the past 25 years, shared our plans and sought suggestions for the future. We are grateful to each one who could join us in the evening filled with nostalgia and excitement. We thank all our friends and supporters who shared their wishes and blessings with us over calls, messages and social media. THANK YOU!

## Antarang



Antarang – a collection of Dr Prasad Modak's blog translated into Marathi by Ms Lalita Vaidya was launched on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Two of his blogs were read during the virtual book launch. Regular readers of his blog shared their experiences and views on his blog and highlighted some of their favourite ones!

## EkoCalendar 2021

Dear Colleagues  
COVID-19 pandemic brought the world to a screeching halt. People got ample of time to reflect upon some of the basic things in life like food choices, relationships, health, passion projects etc. All these reflections pointed towards the need for a mindful and sustainable lifestyle.  
Certainly, year 2020 led us to view life differently and we should not let this introspection go unutilized.  
Let us embrace 2021 with a hope and zeal to bounce towards a sustainable living rather than returning to the same "normal".  
Here are a set of 12 actionable items that will remind you every month of 2021 towards the "new normal".  
Some say that habits are formed if practised regularly over 21 days. That is a period less than a month! We hope that this EkoCalendar will make you habitual towards a mindful and sustainable living.  
Lead the way and others will follow.  
A happy, healthy and successful 2021.  
With compliments from  
Dr Prasad Modak and Team EMC LLP and Ekonnnect  
When you think about practicing sustainability, talk to us.  
Illustrations by Manish Rangnekar

Minimalism  
Begin the New Year with de-cluttering your homes and offices through donating things that you do not really need. You can check out some free resources, tips and tricks to make your journey towards minimalism easy by following The Minimalists and watching a documentary named 'Tidying up with Marie Kondo'

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05 - National Bird Day  
30 - National Cleanliness Day

## EkoCalendar 2021

Team EMC and Ekonnnect are happy to unveil the EkoCalendar 2021!

You can [download](#) the PDF or use the images as wallpaper on your computer.

We wish you a happy and healthy 2021!

## Ekonnnect announces Video Library

Ekonnnect Knowledge Foundation announces the launch of its video library that will offer a repository of modules on key topics in the field of Environmental Management and Sustainability. The video modules will be complementary to university curricula and will be practice oriented. Students and professionals will thus be able to benefit from them alike. The topics include environmental impact assessment, circular economy, sustainability, air quality management. More topics will be added as the members' demand and new videos get created. Please watch this space and follow us on social media to learn more about the video library and how to join it.

## EMC Dialogue Series on Strategic Environmental Management

On the occasion of turning 25, team EMC is happy to announce the annual EMC Dialogue Series on Strategic Environmental Management. The series will be in a podcast format. A podcast focusing on key environmental topics relevant to India will be released each month where the listeners will get a chance to listen to experts and their experiences. Dr Prasad Modak will be the moderator of the dialogue. Our first podcast is on the topic of tackling urban air pollution. Hear our esteemed guest speakers, Dr Ajay Deshpande and Dr Mukesh Khare share their knowledge and experience on this subject. The podcast will be released during the third week of every month. It will be shared via our social media accounts as well as through our monthly e-newsletters.

## EMC launches 7th Service Area

EMC offers solutions across 6 key services that include Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), Environmental and Social Management Systems (ESMS), Environmental and Social Due Diligence (ESDD), Sustainability & CSR, Climate Change (CC) and Circular Economy (CE). We are proud to present to you a brand new service offering on Environmental Data Analytics and Software Solutions(EDAS). Do get in touch with us to learn more or write to us at [emcblogs@emcentre.com](mailto:emcblogs@emcentre.com)

## 2020 EMC & Ekonnnect Key Highlights

### EMC

#### EMC launched the EMC Team Blog

Engaged in **Building Resilience in the Urban Ecosystems of India** – a project focusing on assessment of some of the Indian cities and developing an Ecosystem Health Analysis Framework

Undertook a project on **Climate Proofing of Physical Assets of a leading Indian FMCG Company**

**Estimated Carbon Footprint of Products (Textile and Paper Industry)**

Conducted **Awareness Program on Sustainable Public Procurement (SPP) for Indian Railways Officials**

Associated with **H T Parekh Foundation**

Was engaged by **Mahyco International Pte. Ltd.** for development of a Corporate Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS)

Was engaged by a **US-based Investor** to conduct an **Environmental & Social Due Diligence (ESDD) of the Company operations in Indonesia**

### Ekonnnect

Ekonnnect conducted the first ever **International e-School on Circular Economy**

Conducted **ThoughtWorks Social Hackathon 2020** in partnership with LetsEndorse Development and support from ThoughtWorks

**Ekonnnect joined The Incubation Network (TIN)**

**Launched CEkonnnect** - a knowledge network connecting experts to share their knowledge and experiences on Circular Economy through [www.cekonnnect.net](http://www.cekonnnect.net)

Conducted **Virtual Masterclass on Sustainable Packaging** in collaboration with Packaging 360 and TRAYAK

Conducted **the Circular Economy Challenge (CEC) 2020** with support from EU-REI, India

Conducted **Air Quality Data Analytics Training Program** in partnership with ICIMOD

Conducted **SWITCH-Asia Leadership Academy 2020** in partnership with JGSEE, KMUTT with support from SWITCH-Asia RPAC

**Developed e-learning modules for TATA Power**

Join us on our journey. For latest news and updates, follow us on our social media



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

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