



Officials' Visit to Ecorestoration Facility of MES Asmabi Campus

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On September 3, 2025, officials from the Sree Narayana Puram Panchayat visited the MES Asmabi campus to review the ongoing ecorestoration activities. The visit, led by the Panchayat President and Vice President, was a significant step in fostering collaboration and assessing the impact of these initiatives. This report outlines the key activities reviewed during the visit and highlights the support provided by the CETC Hornbill Foundation.



Purpose of the visit

The officials aimed to evaluate the progress of the ecorestoration projects being implemented within the Panchayat's jurisdiction. Various ecorestoration activities are done in the panchayat with technical guidance and support from the CETC Hornbill Foundation. The MES Asmabi campus has been serving as a hub for these efforts, hosting vital facilities such as the riparian nursery and a nursery for threatened plant species.



Activities Reviewed

Riparian Nursery:

The officials were briefed on the establishment and functioning of the riparian nursery. This initiative is integral to the restoration of degraded riparian ecosystems within the Panchayat. The nursery houses native plant species selected for their ecological importance in stabilizing riverbanks, improving water quality, and supporting biodiversity. The Panchayat President expressed satisfaction with the functioning of the nursery and the propagation techniques employed.



Threatened Plant Nursery:

The nursery for threatened plant species was another focal point of the visit. This facility is dedicated to conserving regionally endangered flora, aligning with broader conservation objectives. The Vice President commended the efforts to propagate these plants, emphasizing their role in preserving the ecological heritage of the region. The CETC Hornbill Foundation's expertise in species selection, propagation protocols, and monitoring was particularly appreciated.

Role of the CETC Hornbill Foundation

The CETC Hornbill Foundation has been instrumental in the success of these ecorestoration projects. By providing technical support, the Foundation ensures the scientific rigor and ecological relevance of the initiatives. Key contributions include:

- **Species Selection:** Identifying plant species suitable for riparian restoration and those requiring urgent conservation efforts.
- **Propagation Techniques:** Implementing advanced propagation methods to enhance survival rates and growth performance.

Capacity Building: Conducting training sessions for local stakeholders such as MGNREGA women to ensure community involvement and long-term project sustainability.



Feedback from the officials

The visiting officials expressed their appreciation for the concerted efforts of the CETC Hornbill Foundation and the MES Asmabi campus team. They emphasized the importance of such collaborative projects in achieving sustainable development goals and enhancing ecological resilience in the region.

