How YOU can be involved

We welcome your participation in our initiatives. You are free to volunteer your services to help a wide range of campaigns and projects. Any kind of support – technical, administrative or moral – is welcomed. Some ways in which you can participate are listed below:

- Directly volunteering services to ESG that may help in the facilitation of any ESG initiative.
- Supporting issues raised by ESG through letters, petitions, and participation in protests, public meetings and other social forums.
- Using the ESG Information Center for research and consultation on various social and environmental issues at a nominal fee.
- Donating to help ESG do more.

Members of ESG

ESG is an openly structured organisation consisting of members working in various roles. Full Time Staff, Volunteers, Advisory Board and Student Volunteers all aid the overall purpose of this initiative. The accommodative nature of the organisation encourages wide public participation in socially relevant issues.

ESG believes in collaborating with other NGOs, networks, governmental agencies and community groups and individuals in its research, campaign, training and advocacy initiatives.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Funding

Our public campaigns and research initiatives are promoted with little or no funding. High expenditures incurred on these activities are supported from our project earning. We welcome your active support and donations so we can reach wider audiences and contribute substantially to our society.

Your donations are eligible for income tax exemptions under Sec 80G of the Income Tax Act. Contributions may be made in favour of “Environment Support Group”, payable by Cheque/DD/DD, and mailed to our address.

ESG has been in the forefront of a variety of environmental and social justice campaigns, keeping the interests of local project affected communities and voiceless ecosystems primary in our focus. We respond progressively, effectively and responsibly to promote environmental and social justice.

The spirit of our involvement is to facilitate processes that deeply consider contextual complexities in promoting environmental and social justice.

ESG is mainly a campaign organisation that sustains its activities by project grants and a very high degree of volunteer involvement.
We actively work with local communities and partner organisation in addressing environmental and social justice concerns, and develop campaign initiatives influencing media, administration, legislature, judiciary and the business community.

• Along with Nandikur Janajagriti Samithi, ESG resisted the establishment of a coal fired thermal power plant proposed by Mangalore Power Company, a subsidiary of Cochintrix Inc. of USA and China Light and Power, Hong Kong. Promoting economically viable alternatives for power sector development, a series of campaign and public interest litigation initiatives were advanced. This resulted in the project being abandoned and resulted in a major revamp of power project clearance mechanisms. http://elj.warwick.ac.uk/global/issue/2000-1/fernandes.html

• ESG was part of an overall effort to force the closure of iron ore mining by Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Ltd. (KIOCCL) in the ecologically unique Kudremukh National Park. As a result the Supreme Court of India decided that the mines would have to be phased out by 2005, making this one of the most significant successes of people's movements in protecting forests from mining.

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