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Institutional Background

- South Asian Forum for Environment [SAFE] works at science society interface towards sustainable development goals in the Indian Ecoregion.
- SAFE envisages global partnership and local participation to ensure equity and reciprocity for the bio-rights of commons



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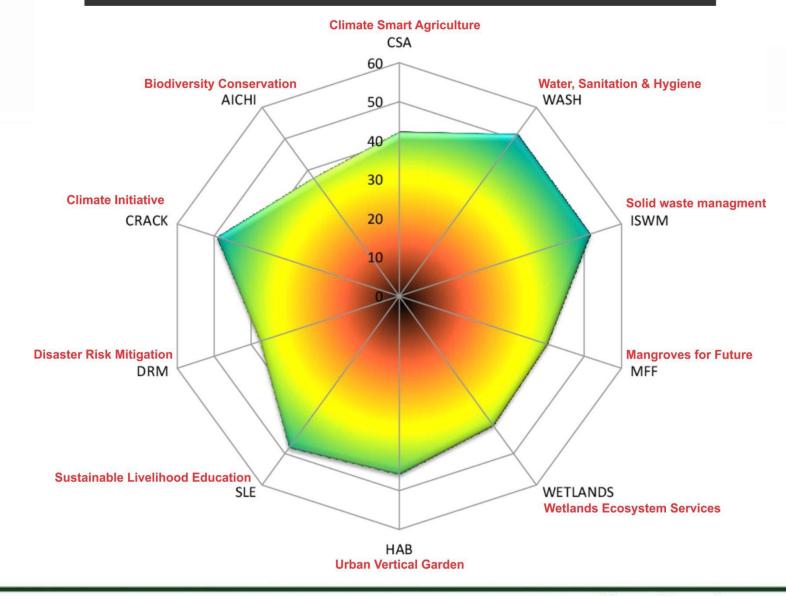
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SAFE Interventions & Sustainable Development Goals (Agenda 2030)



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Sustainable Transport... Our Issues & Concerns

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Pollution Footprints

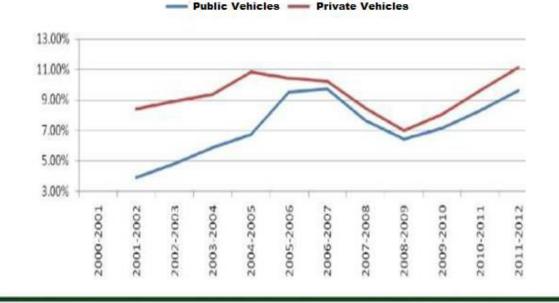
- 57% of air pollution is due to motor vehicles
- Emission of GHGs and SPM (1.1 micron)
- 73.2% vehicles run on diesel or kerosene-mix-oils
- Average age of vehicles in public transport is 14 years
- Every 4th person suffers from respiratory tract diseases and asthma
- Increase in road-noise (peakhours) is 16.6%



Non-sustainable usage: Many – One Dilemma

- Increasing private automobiles for point-to-point movement is decreasing urban carrying capacity
- Swelling load on rural vehicles for limited public transport options is deteriorating air quality in rural.

Variation in annual rates of vehicles registration in Kolkata



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Safety and Capacity

- Per capita travel space shrinking in unsustainable public transport. Travel comfort Safety is compromised.
- Road space per unit automobiles is increasing. Habitat health and commuters time is compromised.

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-		JL Nehru Road	25	3	2237	2246	268.98	5110.62	
6%	23%	RG Kar Road	18	2	1397	1415	199.96	3799.32	
		Lenin Sarani	20	2	1042	1225	136.02	2584.38	
MUN	IBAI	Jatindra Mohan Ave	20	1	1390	1407	83.91	1594.29	
33	17%	Vivekananda Road	40	1.2	1202	1768	17.82	338.58	
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Rise in ow pattern Car 1998 1.73%	Bike 1998 5.67%	 Study by Centre for Urban Economic Studies, Calcutta University. The test was carried out from 9 -10am and 6-7pm This means that ₹74,077 is lost in just two hours on 10 Kolkata roads 							
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Gaps in Policy & Implementation

- No policy for introducing electrical vehicles
- No incentives for green fuel / renewable energy
- No mandates for shared travels / pool cars
- No limits in public vehicle registration system
- No efficient vehicular pollution monitoring system
- No improvement in public transportation system

Our Concerns in Sustainable Transport Issue...

- Equitable access to all
 Affordable for all
 Safety for all goers
 Habitat is safe
- New-energy prodigy

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Our Achievements in Sustainable Transport





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Policy Implications

- Ban on polluting urban Autos bringing in CNG and Battery-run vehicles in Kolkata
- Rehabilitating the electrical Tram car in Kolkata
- 'Chakra Satyagraha' a mass campaign against blanket ban on cycles in Kolkata





Planning Green Rides with 'TOTO'



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Awareness Generation

- First Strategic EIA on transport system in Kolkata published in Green Interpreters (ISSN
- First Emission foot printing of engine-boats in Sundarbans (Reported in TOI dated
- First C40 Smart City Conference with US Consulate in Kolkata on Sustainable Transport
- School awareness campaigns on 'NO HONKING, NO POLLUTION'
- Side Event in COP21 Paris on Electrical Cities and Sustainable Transportation

Street Campaigns with School Students

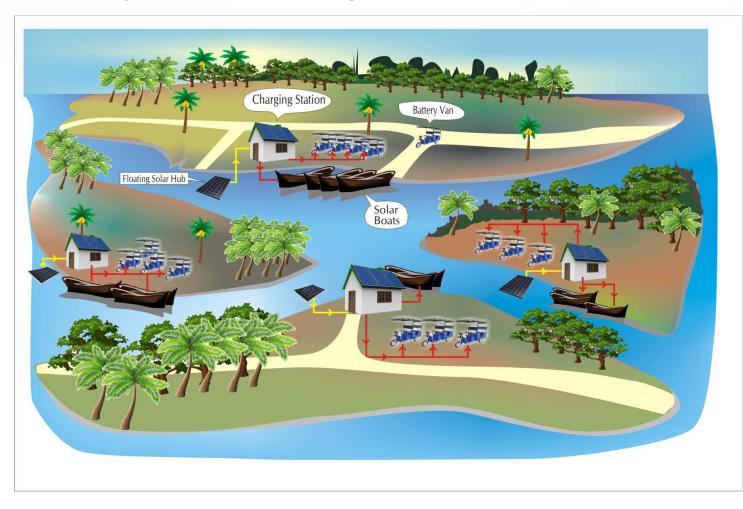




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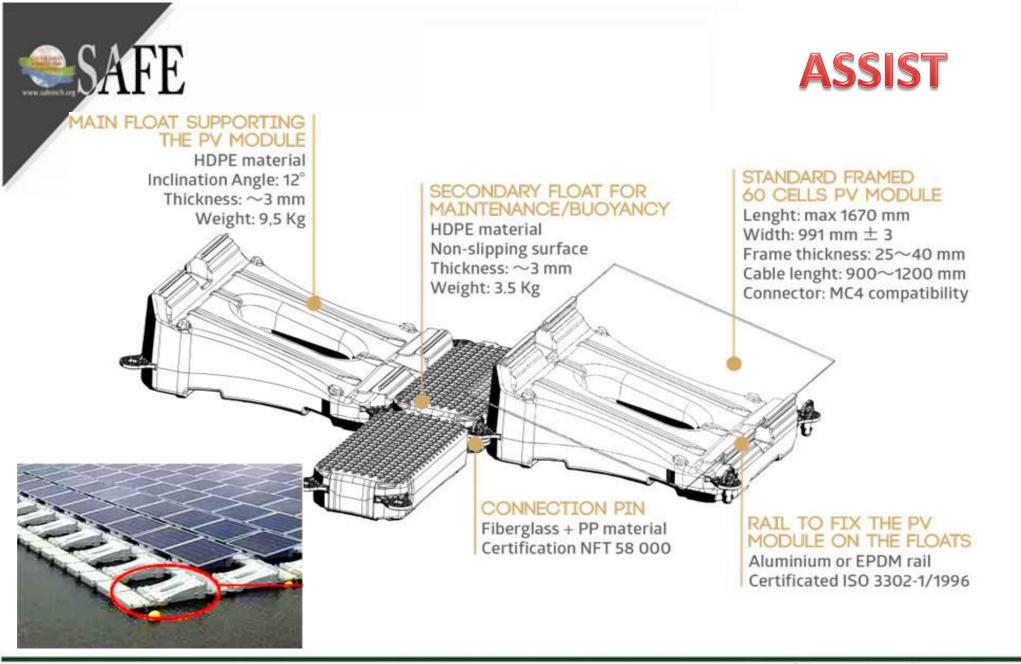
Aqua-Solar Systems for Integrated & Sustainable Transport



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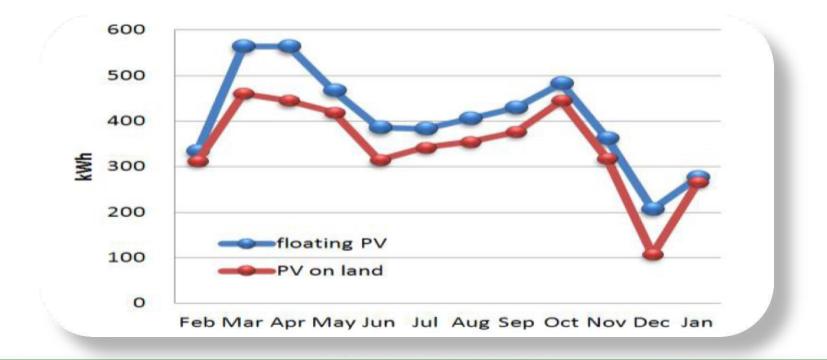




Comparison Floating PV & Overland PV

➢ Floating solar panels(Blue) having 10.3 % more efficient than overland system.

Fig.: Comparison Graph



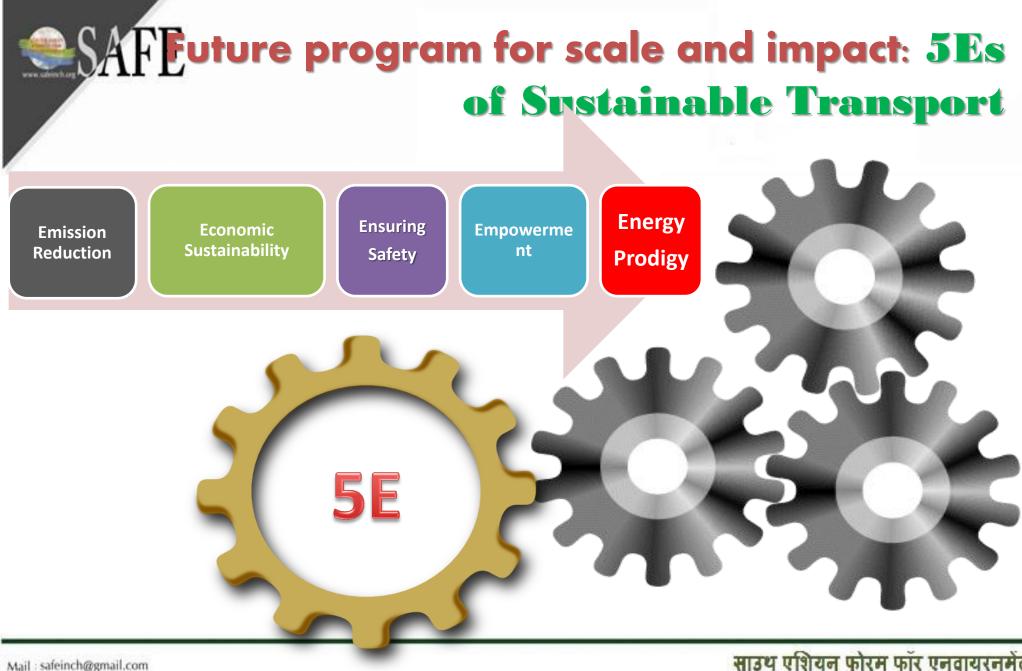
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Challenges in Implementation



1. Strengthening Technology for sustainable growth in rural areas 2. Resource convergence for financing innovations in Sust. Transport 3. Incentivizing new energy usage for rural public transport system 4. Awareness on benefits over cost implications in using solar vehicles

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Impacts & Future Programs



Awareness Campaign for Attitude Change

- Educating transport sector stakeholders, owners and dealers
- Action research at science-society interface for commuters



Save Sundarban Habitat with ASSIST

- Technology cooperation for more economic new-energy prodigy
- Elimination of emitting vehicles to save the habitat from pollution
- Awareness drive for safe and smart travel



Sustainable Transport in Climate Smart Cities in India

- Promote clean fuel and green energy in city transport system
- Use science communication for traffic management and road safety
- Advocacy for sustainable transportation, shared travel, car pool

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Travel green to travel far with this planet...

Thanks

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