

## DAY 24, GREENER

After looking at these inspirational work, the first thing that came to my mind were questions. An ample of questions. Questions asking me why humans have this innate hunger to destroy everything granted to them, why we cannot distinguish between exploring and exploiting, why we consider ourselves to be the superior being, who has given us the power to take decisions for everything and everyone in our favor, no matter how detrimental it may be for the corresponding party. And why is that these questions occur to us when we watch or read or listen to something that challenges our vigilance, empathy and compassion. Why is it a couple of minutes, hours or at the most days matter. Why can't we make these questions an integral part of our lives. Why aren't we held accountable for our actions way often than we usually are?

Biodiversity is a beautiful gift granted to us by mother nature and it should be cherished to the fullest. From being of utmost vitality to providing the planet with aesthetic value, biodiversity's significance can't be denied. But it's peak time to not only take pride in not denying its importance but acting in a symbiotic manner which proves beneficial to us along with every creature ranging from the microbial algae to colossal blue whales. There is no one informative tool in the challenge that inspired me the most but all of them. Often, the slightest of the things we take for granted have massive cultural, social, aesthetic, ethical, optional, productive use, consumptive use value associated with them and they should be respected, for the reason of our existence and survival is these very things and phenomenon.

The sixth mass extinction threat is nobody else but we, each of us. Posing threats in the form of degradation and habitat loss, habitat fragmentation, introduction of exotic species, overexploitation of resources, commercial hunting and Gene assimilation, it's time to introspect, it's time to reignite

the spark of benevolence within us, it's time to find that hidden empathy and compassion which prevails in all of us.

It is time to get over 'me' and start taking actions which are ethically justified and mutually beneficial if we wish to experience a new Dawn.

Resources that will help us in getting to know more about this subject:

<https://www.sciencelearn.org.nz/resources/1454-biodiversity>

<https://www.iied.org/blogs/theme/biodiversity>

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