

Planting the Right Kind of Green

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Aadya Joshi is the founder of <u>The Right Green</u>, an initiative that champions the cause of biodiversity restoration through research, education, and advocacy on native plants. She has created the first of its kind research-based database of more than 15,000 plant/insect feeding relationships for the Indian subcontinent, and developed a BioPower Index to help landscapers, gardeners, and civic authorities plant the best biodiversity-supporting plants for their regions. Through specially designed workshops, games, planting guides, and multimedia content, she disseminates this information to students and civic authorities.

She has received numerous awards, including the Children's Climate Prize, the North American Association of Environmental Education Global 30 Under 30 Award, and the Pollination Project Grant Award. She is an Earth Day Network Youth Ambassador and Rising Star, and is featured in the new book, *Stone Soup for a Sustainable World: Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes.* Aadya spent her younger years living outside Boston, where she attended primary school. She is looking forward to attending Stanford University in the fall 2021.

Aadya's story featured on Arianna Huffington's Thrive Global

Link: https://thriveglobal.com/stories/planting-the-right-kind-of-green/

Aadya's video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MYjxgbhmpWo

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