

# Lecture, live broadcast on climate change organised

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**Pune:** To spread awareness and discuss the climate issue with youngsters, The Climate Reality Project (CRP) India Pune branch organised a lecture on climate

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change on Tuesday and the issues of 75 countries were showcased live. The event was hosted by Al Gore, former vice president of the United States.

In India, this project was first conducted in 2007, then in 2015 and it has been in Pune for three years of organising such lectures and live broadcasting over the climate reality website. This

## HIGHLIGHTS

**The live broadcast by the The Climate Reality Project highlighted that:**

- The climate change is showing its effects in parts of India which includes floods in Kerala, drought in Chennai, bad air condition in New Delhi which has resulted in several diseases.
- South East Asia has poverty and pollution. 41 per cent of natural disasters take place in South East Asia affecting 8 lakh people annually. The solution would be to decarbonise, adapt changes, create awareness, build structures carbon-free and green.

year the awareness drive and live broadcasting was organised at Symbiosis College of Management Studies, Viman Nagar.

CRP Pune Branch District Manager Col Shashikant Dalvi said, "We are trying to create awareness among youngsters because they are the future. Looking at the current situation

of climate change, we the people are to be blamed for it and we should start taking remedial actions. In 1951 when the first census in Pune was conducted there was a population of 5 lakh people and now it is 40 lakh. Our groundwater is reducing due to encroachments and urbanisation. Due to deterioration in air and water

conditions, vector, air and heat-borne diseases are killing people directly or indirectly. No doubt, the government has started taking remedial actions. The change will take time but it is important that the people and especially the youngsters should be aware of it."

The event was attended by Pune Municipal Corporation Superintending Engineer Narendra Salunke. He said, "Daily there is an increase of 7,000 vehicles in the city due to which carbon emission is increasing. Due to urbanisation, construction work is consuming 30 per cent of the energy and the dust released openly is creating air pollution. That is why the PMC is promoting bicycles and making green buildings."