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To facilitate industrial growth while balancing socio-economic environment in Dakshina Kannada district. Facilitate ongoing networking, communications and commercial opportunities for the members. Provide members with the highest quality, industry-specific, relevant information. Ensure the finest infrastructural development and facilities with a futuristic edge. Be the most widely accepted resource for knowledge and standards regarding professional business practices. Promote research, development and production in the field of science and technology.

IND-SPEAK

The month of June was expected to bring rains but the cyclonic effects of Biporjoy has delayed the onset of monsoons. KIA has been undertaking the drain cleaning work for the last 2 months. In the month of June, KSPCB along with KIA requested the industry members to clean their respective areas and collect the waste in one place. These collected debris and waste were cleared using Earthmovers and trucks. Commendable amount of effort and work has been

implemented of waste management, segregation at source is important. Till the time we are able to find a permanent solution, KIA is in talks with couple of agencies who are successfully handling solid waste. KIA has been at the forefront of water conservation. Shri Anand Malligavad, Lake Man of India had visited KIA and interacted with the members regarding rejuvenation of



undertaken by the KIA team. The cleaning drive has been successful and the change is visible when you go around the industrial area. This effort by the association has been appreciated by everyone.

KIA is continuously checking the feasibility and options available for setting up a solid waste management unit within the industrial area. Once the waste is managed by the association, we can claim rebate for the SWM cess in the property tax for industries. For successful

the Baggundi lake. From the year 2012 KIA has been trying to clean and rejuvenate the Baggundi lake. Water conservation and underground water rejuvenation is the need of the hour and KIA is trying to contribute towards this cause.

Regards,
Ganesh Koran

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BAGGUNDI LAKE - WATER BODY RESURGENCE

Baggundi Lake an 80 acres water reservoir between Baikampady village & Kulai village close to NH 66 is the source of water for these two villages and surrounding areas.

Baggundi name has been derived from Babbu Gundi. There is a Daivasthana in Kulai village called Koteda Babbu. There is a tradition of catching fish by the villagers on the day of annual festival of Daivasthana which falls on 14 March (Meena Sankramana day). On that day early morning at 7 A.M, pyrotechs called Kadhoni is burst infront of Daivasthana to mark the beginning of the festival. Soon thereafter villagers will jump into the Baggundi Lake to catch fish. They used to get bountiful fish, which is cooked for the noon meals, the same day

Baggundi lake is unique in its ecosystem with varieties of Flora & Fauna with lot of birds visiting the lake at different seasons of the year. For the last several years, the villagers are disappointed because they are not able to get any fish in the Baggundi lake and there are no birds in the vicinity flying around the lake. Lake is filled with weeds and silt

Baggundi Lake is connected to Falguni



Mr. M J Shetty, Past President, KIA

River through Kudumbur River. During high tide, river water flows into the Lake and during low tide it used to flow out. As a result, the Lake was getting cleansed and was a breeding place for fish. In recent times, after the road & railway bridges were constructed over Kudumbur river, the water flow got blocked and the Lake was disconnected from the Falguni River. Also, monsoon drain connection to this lake has started carrying the domestic & industrial waste into the lake. As a result, the lake is totally polluted at present. Due to this breeding of fish has also stopped.

Kanara Industries Association (KIA) had taken the initiative to develop this lake as a picnic cum tourist destination since 2012.

We have contacted major Industries around New Mangalore Port area seeking their CSR fund and have received positive response.

KIA is in constant touch with local representatives, Government and NGO'S to carryout lake redevelopment. Shramadhan, was one of our initiatives to clean the Lake. Originally the lake was of 13

Acre area. Now it has grown big covering an area of about 80 Acres.

In the meanwhile, Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB), which is the nodal agency for providing land for industry has acquired the land around the lake and including the lake this land has been with JESCO.

In this context, members of KIA along with representatives of KIADB had a meeting with Shri Anand Malligavad to understand his way of rejuvenating lakes. He has rejuvenated 23 lakes so far. He is confident



that the Lake can be revived by developing it in a natural way. Desilting is carried out and the lake is dug till we get the original soil and this soil is used to build the lake without any stone/ tile. Pavements, bunds and walkway can be constructed using the excess soil recovered from the bed of the lake. The Bank of the lake is leveled with the soil available and walking/ jogging track, garden, lawn, benches etc. will be provided. There is also a proposal to treat the water which is being fed to the baggundi lake now, alongside the lake. KIA will look for CSR funds for the Baggundi lake rejuvenation project.

Gurucharan Industries: A Journey of Innovation and Success



Mr. Jayakar Shettigar

Gurucharan Industries (GCI) has emerged as a frontrunner in plastic processing equipment manufacturing, offering a wide range of machinery and spare parts since its establishment in 1996. Founded by Mr. Jayakar Shettigar, GCI's has propelled its remarkable success by focus on quality, self-development, and in-house expertise.

GCI's commitment to innovation and customer satisfaction sets them apart. Designing and developing most components in-house, GCI ensures stringent quality control and consistent product delivery. Over the couple of decades, GCI has accomplished a remarkable feat by reducing the time required to complete a single machine from 45 days to a mere 2.5 days.

GCI's unwavering commitment to customer satisfaction has earned them a strong reputation solely through word-of-mouth referrals. Active participation in global plastic-related exhibitions and memberships in manufacturing organizations has helped them step into the export market, catering to over 25+ countries. This has further enhanced their visibility and credibility.



Mr. Jayakar Shettigar's hands-on involvement and extensive knowledge of the machinery have been instrumental in GCI's success. He has established a small pooja room in the midst of their factory, emphasizing the role of humility and divine grace in their journey.

Environmental responsibility is a key aspect of GCI's operations. They have developed machinery for reprocessed plastic pellets, emphasizing their dedication to sustainability. The company also prioritizes the well-being of their employees by providing comfortable quarters for their workforce.

GCI remains dedicated to their core expertise in plastic manufacturing, focusing on generating employment opportunities and adding value to the country's manufacturing sector by reinvesting profits for further growth.

GCI's growth and expansion are evident through their seven factories with over 150 employees. Their meticulous record-keeping, adherence to systems, and ability to customize machinery to meet specific customer requirements have solidified their position as the leading manufacturer in this sector in India.



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In spite of lacking formal education, Mr. Shettigar and Mr. Ashok, his right-hand man have showcased their ability to run and establish a thriving industry. Their unconventional backgrounds have not hindered their entrepreneurial spirit which should serve as a motivation to all the budding young entrepreneurs. The success of Gurucharan Industries is a testament to their innovation, perseverance, and unwavering commitment to customer satisfaction. With their focus on quality, in-house expertise, and continuous improvement, GCI has established itself as a trusted name in the plastic manufacturing industry.



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