



**ANIL AGARWAL DIALOGUE 2026**

## **YOUR ESSENTIAL AAD 2026 READING LIST**

### **DAY 2**

#### **SESSION 2**

## **HUMANS, ANIMALS & CLIMATE CHANGE**

**AAD 2025: Pranav Chanchani on human-wildlife conflict in India:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/aad-2025-pranav-chanchani-on-human-wildlife-conflict-in-india>

**Conserve or perish:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/conserv-or-perish>

**Can India move from conflict to coexistence with wildlife?:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/can-india-move-from-conflict-to-coexistence-with-wildlife>

**Humans and wildlife to share more than half of Earth's land by 2070:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/humans-and-wildlife-to-share-more-than-half-of-earths-land-by-2070>

**India must adopt holistic approaches to handle human-wildlife conflicts:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/india-must-adopt-holistic-approaches-to-handle-human-wildlife-conflicts-95542>

**Efforts to reconnect elephant corridors must be carefully planned:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/efforts-to-reconnect-elephant-corridors-must-be-carefully-planned-95308>

**Move beyond tiger numbers:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/move-beyond-tiger-numbers-95443>

**No food in forests: DTE's exclusive coverage on invasive species:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/forests/no-food-in-forests-dte-s-exclusive-coverage-on-invasive-species-94112>

**Climate change means we may have to learn to live with invasive species:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/climate-change-means-we-may-have-to-learn-to-live-with-invasive-species>

**India's natural areas losing 15,500 sq km a year to fast-spreading invasive species:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/wildlife-biodiversity/indias-natural-areas-losing-15500-sq-km-a-year-to-fast-spreading-invasive-species>

### **Sewage: Lessons form indore**

**Sewage before supply:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/water/sewage-before-supply>

## DAY 3

### SESSION 3

# AIR POLLUTION- SOURCE APPORTIONMENT, MONITORING, ESTIMATION AND HEALTH IMPACTS

Economic Survey 2025-26 treats air pollution as a regulatory problem, not a health emergency

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/economic-survey-2025-26-treats-air-pollution-as-a-regulatory-problem-not-a-health-emergency>

Can AQI below 200 truly be a 'Good Day', Mr Minister?

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/can-aqi-below-200-truly-be-a-good-day-mr-minister>

Air pollution crosses borders, and so must the policies aimed at tackling it

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/air-pollution-crosses-borders-and-so-must-the-policies-aimed-at-tackling-it>

What air pollution does to the human body

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/what-air-pollution-does-to-the-human-body>

Indoor air pollution is a global health issue, not just a domestic heating one

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/indoor-air-pollution-is-a-global-health-issue-not-just-a-domestic-heating-one>

Why winter makes air pollution deadly: The climate physics governments ignore

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/why-winter-makes-air-pollution-deadly-the-climate-physics-governments-ignore>

Air pollution killing nine million a year as warming worsens air quality worldwide, UN report warns

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/air-pollution-killing-nine-million-a-year-as-warming-worsens-air-quality-world-wide-un-report-warns>

Slow murder continues: Black Deposits that cannot be removed

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/air/slow-murder-continues-black-deposits-that-cannot-be-removed>

### SESSION 4

# CLIMATE CHANGE - APOCALYPSE IS NOW: THE BREACHING OF THE PLANETARY BOUNDARIES

Seven of nine planetary boundaries breached as oceans cross dangerous threshold for first time

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/seven-of-nine-planetary-boundaries-breached-as-oceans-cross-dangerous-threshold-for-first-time>

Earth is warming faster

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/earth-is-warming-faster>

Coral reefs have orchestrated Earth's climate for 250 million years

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/coral-reefs-have-orchestrated-earths-climate-for-250-million-years>

Earth showing alarming symptoms of climate distress as 22 of 34 key indicators

hit record highs: Report

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/earth-showing-alarming-symptoms-of-climate-distress-as-22-of-34-key-indicators-hit-record-highs-report>

State of Africa's Environment 2025: Continent a 'hotspot' of planetary climate emergency, reveals latest edition of CSE's annual publication

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/africa/state-of-africas-environment-2025-continent-a-hotspot-of-planetary-climate-emergency-reveals-latest-edition-of-cses-annual-publication>

What are 'planetary boundaries' and why should we care?

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/what-are-planetary-boundaries-and-why-should-we-care--91830>

## SPECIAL SESSION 2

# THE AAD CONVERSATIONS

### Aravallis- time for a requiem?

Chaos in definition

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/environment/chaos-in-definition>

The Mismeasure of a Mountain

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/environment/mismeasure-of-a-mountain>

Quiet guardians of life

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/environment/quiet-guardians-of-life>

### Have we Overcome Poverty?

India's poverty count

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/economy/indias-poverty-count>

The double burden of poverty and climate crisis is no longer a looming threat; it is an unfolding reality

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/the-double-burden-of-poverty-and-climate-crisis-is-no-longer-a-looming-threat-it-is-an-unfolding-reality>

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### SESSION 5

# MANAGING SOLID WASTE

India's new Solid Waste Management Rules promise greater discipline, while navigating familiar fault lines:

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/waste/indias-new-solid-waste-management-rules-promise-greater-discipline-while-navigating-familiar-fault-lines>

Privatisation in solid waste management is impacting informal collectors' lives and livelihood:

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/waste/privatisation-in-solid-waste-management-is-impacting-informal-collectors-lives-and-livelihood>

Closing the solid waste management loop through urban-rural partnerships:

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/waste/closing-the-solid-waste-management-loop-through-urban-rural-partnerships>

Fostering behaviour change in solid waste management: Here are some essential prerequisites for cities:

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/waste/fostering-behaviour-change-in-solid-waste-management-here-are-some-essential-prerequisites-for-cities>

**Beyond the Bins: How does Panaji manage bulk waste without a landfill?**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/waste/beyond-the-bins-how-does-panaji-manage-bulk-waste-without-a-landfill>

**Where does India stand on waste and plastic management?**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/waste/where-does-india-stand-on-waste-and-plastic-management>

**Global Plastic Treaty:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/topic/global-plastic-treaty>

**Why it matters: Rethinking litter & responsibility in Indian cities:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/waste/why-it-matters-rethinking-litter-responsibility-in-indian-cities>

## SESSION 6

# HEALTH, HABITAT & ENVIRONMENT: THE EMERGING TRIGGERS

**Cool Habitats:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/topic/cool-habitats>

**Small spaces, big impact: Terrace gardens for climate resilience:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/small-spaces-big-impact-terrace-gardens-for-climate-resilience>

**From concrete walls to living edges, here's how riverside habitats are being restored along the Thames:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/water/from-concrete-walls-to-living-edges-heres-how-riverside-habitats-are-being-restored-along-the-thames>

**India should adopt a national standard definition of sustainable buildings, aligned with global norms:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/india-should-adopt-a-national-standard-definition-of-sustainable-buildings-aligned-with-global-norms>

**Why smart cities need energy-efficient and sustainable buildings:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/energy/why-smart-cities-need-energy-efficient-and-sustainable-buildings-79953>

**Disaster after disaster: do we have enough raw materials to 'build back better'?**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/natural-disasters/disaster-after-disaster-do-we-have-enough-raw-materials-to-build-back-better>

**We design cities and buildings for earthquakes and floods — we need to do the same for wildfires:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/natural-disasters/we-design-cities-and-buildings-for-earthquakes-and-floods-we-need-to-do-the-same-for-wildfires>

**Green building ratings crucial to address climate change:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/green-building-ratings-crucial-to-address-climate-change>

**Cool dwellings: Here is what you can do to make your building beat the heat:**

<https://www.downtoearth.org.in/climate-change/cool-dwellings-here-is-what-you-can-do-to-make-your-building-beat-the-heat-82708>

