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The trips are showing results too. "We hardly have any trees and water bodies in our surroundings. We must protect the Aravali forests and its water bodies. Construction activities should be stopped there," said Abhidi (10), a student of MatriKiran.

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