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I chose to reach out to **Arati Kumar-Rao**, a National Geographic Explorer, environmental photographer, and author of *Marginlands: Indian Landscapes on the Brink*, because her work deeply inspires me. Through her photography and storytelling, she highlights the impact of environmental degradation on communities and ecosystems. Her dedication shows how individuals can raise awareness and drive change — something I aspire to do as a young climate advocate.



I am advocating for the creation of **Youth-Led Climate Action Committees** in Bengaluru's wards. These committees would empower young people to:

- Share ideas for local environmental projects
- Monitor and implement sustainability initiatives
- Actively contribute to shaping the city's climate resilience

By connecting with Arati Kumar-Rao, I hope to learn from her experience, gain guidance, and inspire more youth to take action.

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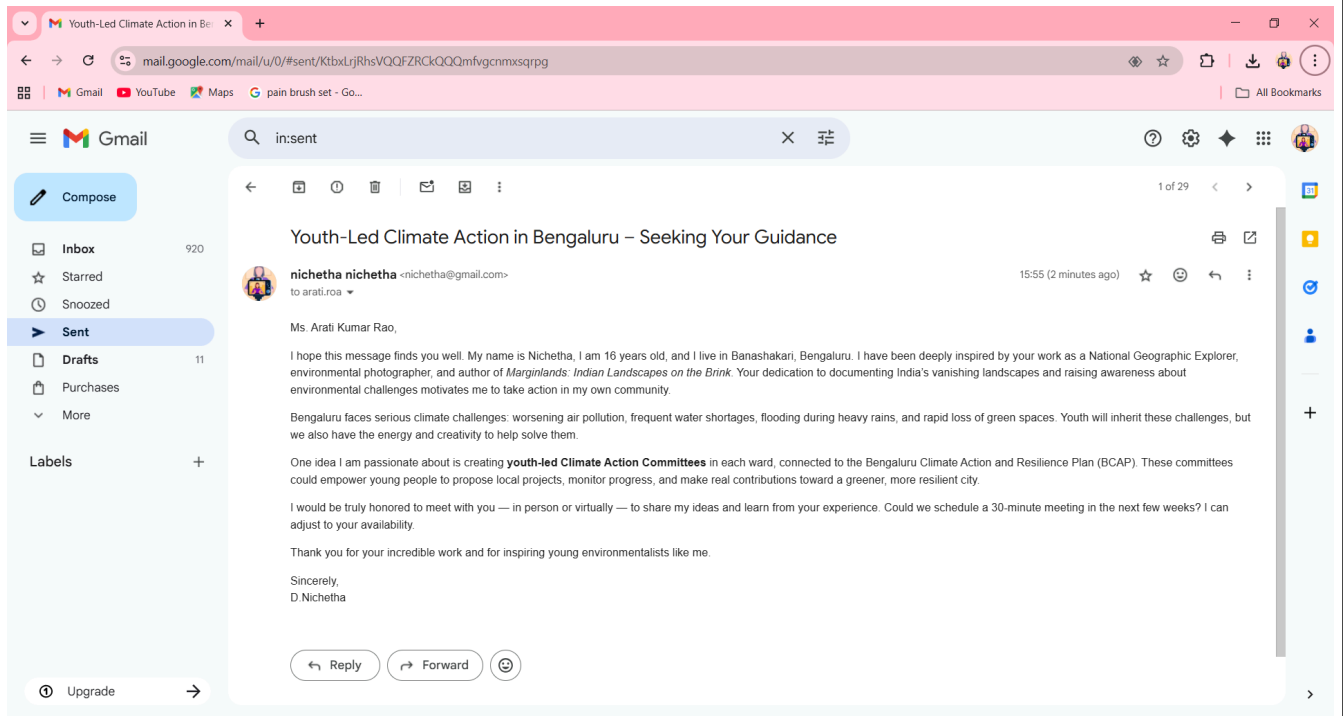
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THE BODY I TYPED IN THE EMAIL

Ms. Arati Kumar Rao,

I hope this message finds you well. My name is Nichetha, I am 16 years old, and I live in Banashakari, Bengaluru. I have been deeply inspired by your work as a National Geographic Explorer, environmental photographer, and author of *Marginlands: Indian Landscapes on the Brink*. Your dedication to documenting India's vanishing landscapes and raising awareness about environmental challenges motivates me to take action in my own community.

Bengaluru faces serious climate challenges: worsening air pollution, frequent water shortages, flooding during heavy rains, and rapid loss of green spaces. Youth will inherit these challenges, but we also have the energy and creativity to help solve them.

One idea I am passionate about is creating **youth-led Climate Action Committees** in each ward, connected to the Bengaluru Climate Action and Resilience Plan (BCAP). These committees could empower young people to propose local projects, monitor progress, and make real contributions toward a greener, more resilient city.

I would be truly honored to meet with you — in person or virtually — to share my ideas and learn from your experience. Could we schedule a 30-minute meeting in the next few weeks? I can adjust to your availability.

Thank you for your incredible work and for inspiring young environmentalists like me.

Sincerely,
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