

Pitchandikulam Forest

Pitchandikulam is dedicated to the preservation and restoration of the Tropical Dry Evergreen Forest . It was established in 1973 as one of the pioneering Auroville green belt communities engaged in the initial reforestation work that was necessary on the bare eroded township site. Since then the 70 acre site has been transformed into a complete ecosystem with more than 800 species of plants. The Bioresource Centre with its library, database, artifact and photo displays, provides a focus for the teaching of restoration ecology, environmental science, and the identification and use of indigenous medicinal plants. A major focus of Pitchandikulam is community outreach and currently we work in 25 villages throughout the Kaliveli biorgion.