Grassroots environmental movement in India saves 16,000 trees in New Delhi

New Delhi, July 23 (RHC)-- In India, a widespread environmental movement in the capital New Delhi has forced the government to abandon its plans to cut down 16,000 trees in a city that is already one of the most polluted on Earth.

The month-long grassroots movement included thousands of people participating in vigils, sit-ins, tree-defense patrols and tree-planting activities. Residents also filed lawsuits, which forced a high court to halt all tree cutting in the city, ruling it could "not allow Delhi to die at the cost of the redevelopment projects."

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