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## On the trees of Mumbai:

Trees play a very important role in this city. This is apparent from the fact that there are many parts of the city that have been named after trees. Bhendi bazaar after the bhendi tree. Wadala has been named after the banyan tree, Laburnum Road after the Laburnum tree. Tardeo after the Tad tree.

The biodiversity is amazing over here because people from different places have come to Mumbai and with them they have brought different trees and planted them here. Mumbai has its own trees, but along with that there are the other species that have travelled here.

## On favourite trees:

My favourite is the banyan tree because it is huge and supports a lot of biodiversity. There are trees which are economically important and trees which are ecologically important. Ecological trees support ecology like birds, animals. Banyan is a huge tree with a good canopy. People can rest under the tree, sit for a while and also it produces figs and lots of birds depend on that for food. So banyan is my favourite because it is huge and supports lots of diversity.