



SIMPLE WAY TO REDUCE PLASTIC POLLUTION

1. Formal and informal education is urgently needed to create awareness of the negative impact of plastic waste.
2. Avoid taking plastic bags from grocer's shelf.
3. Use natural packaging materials like banyan leaf, bio-plates, bamboo utensils, etc. should be encouraged in hotels and restaurants.
4. Buy beverages in suitable containers.
5. Do not buy plastic sandwich bags.
6. Buy fresh fruits and veggies to avoid buying the one packaged in plastic.
7. Make a habit of thinking without plastic containers.
8. Throw chocolate wrappers in a proper dustbin.
9. Do not burn plastic.
10. Do not avoid if you see someone polluting with plastics.
11. Dispose used things by wrapping it with paper.
12. Conversion of plastic wastes management into artifacts such beads, bags, door mats and hats.
13. When we actually count the number of bags we bring in weekly, it can spur us to take action.
14. Plastic bags can be difficult to recycle, so it is wise to reuse plastic shopping bags at home for as long as you can



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SOLUTION FOR PLASTIC POLLUTION

THINK
AGAIN!

Let's pledge to mitigate plastic pollution

KNOW THE FACTS.....

- Every year the world uses 500 billion plastic bags and at least 8 million tonnes of plastic end up in the oceans, the equivalent of a full garbage truck every minute.
- Plastic releases toxins into environment during every stage-production, its use, and its disposal. These toxins are highly harmful for the environment and humans.
- A million plastic bottles are bought around the world every minutes and the number is increasing, creating an environmental crisis which is as serious climate change.
- Burning of plastics introduces pollutants into air and cause air pollution. Carbon Monoxide, Dioxin, Chlorine, Nitrides, Amines, Furans, Hydrochloric acid, Benzene, Styrene, Acetaldehyde and CCl₄ gets emitted when plastic is burned. The pollutants released in the air affect the ozone layer and cause global warming. When the chemicals released during the burning of plastics ascend into higher atmosphere it may cause acid rain.
- Plastic never decomposes or plastic dose not biodegrade, which means it is forever.
- India is generating 56 lakh tonnes of plastic waste annually and 60% contribute to plastic dump into the world's ocean.
- Harmful chemicals leached by plastics are presence in the bloodstream and tissues of almost every one of us. Can causes cancer, birth defects, genetic changes, chronic bronchitis, ulcer, skin disease, liver dysfunction, etc.
- Each year's over a million marine creature, seabirds and other animals die from plastics trash. 700 marine animal are faced with extinction due to plastic threat in the form of entanglement, pollution, and ingestion.