



Earth Day 2024

Planet versus Plastics



Earth Day is an annual event observed on April 22 to demonstrate support for environmental protection

Theme for the year 2024 is Planet vs. Plastics

Plastics disrupt the ecological balance and have harmful impact on environment, biodiversity and health of living beings

- Single Use Plastics disintegrate into micro-plastics and eventually enter the food chain
- Plastics harm terrestrial as well as aquatic flora and fauna
- Plastics choke drains and water bodies
- Plastics remain in soil for hundreds of years and contaminate it
- Plastics release toxic gases when burnt

Citizens must make concerted efforts for making the environment plastic waste free by

- Using reusable and eco-friendly alternatives to plastics, viz., cloth bags, reusable glasses and plates
- Segregating plastic waste at source and handing over the same to waste recyclers
- Avoiding Use of Single Use Plastics

Single use plastic items like disposable plates, cups, bowls, tumblers, spoons etc. are banned in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir.

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