



Department of Environment, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
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The Department of Environment works towards improving the overall Environmental Quality in Delhi.

Its primary activities include motivating citizens of Delhi to keep surroundings clean and green, promoting an ethos of conservation of water by minimizing the use of water and wastage of water and motivating the citizens to imbibe habits and life styles supportive of minimum waste generation, source separation of waste, disposing off the waste at the nearest storage point. The ministry also promotes measures to compost horticulture waste, to use it as manure for kitchen gardens, nurseries, parks etc and create awareness among public and sanitary workers to stop the indiscriminate burning of waste/leaves that causes air pollution.

Realising its measure would not succeed without mass awareness, it strives to sensitise citizens to environmental awareness and conservation and educates them on the reuse of waste material by promoting the concept of the three R's i.e. Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. It undertakes several campaigns urging non-disposal of waste in public places as they choke drains and sewers. Being non-biodegradable they cause water logging and provide breeding ground for mosquitoes. It also encourages use of eco-friendly alternatives like jute, cloth and recycled paper bags, etc. The ministry has organized several tree plantation programmes in schools, residential areas, parks, industrial areas etc. It pays special attention towards creating awareness for celebrating festivals like Dussehera, Diwali, Holi in an eco friendly manner. It also coordinates with the various Departments/Agencies to combat climate change issues such as energy conservation, water conservation by recycling of water, rain water harvesting, green building concept, use of renewable energy, installation of CFL, promotion of battery operated vehicle.