



# ANIMAL WELFARE BOARD OF INDIA

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### **Hosting the World Environment Day, 2018 (WED-2018) leading upto 5th June 2018 on the theme "Plastic Pollution"**

5<sup>th</sup> June is celebrated every year as World Environment Day. This year, the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India is hosting the World Environment Day, 2018 at global level in collaboration with UN Environment. The theme for the occasion is "Plastic Pollution".

All the Animal Welfare Organisations / Gaushalas are requested to organise the World Environment Day activities from now to 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2018 such as adopting 'green' ways of life, initiating awareness and cleanliness campaigns, dedicate blog to World Environment Day on 5<sup>th</sup> June, distribute leaflets, brochures and posters, environment education programmes and planting of trees in your areas.

The following are the suggested ways for awareness to "Beat Plastic Pollution" in your organisation:

1. Encourage employees to refuse, reduce and reuse plastic products in their daily uses. Pledge for plastic free environment in the organisation.
2. Ban single-use plastic water bottle, take-away coffee cup, lunch wrapped in disposable plastic packaging, plastic bags; disposable foodservice cups, plates, and containers made of polystyrene foam; plastic straws; etc in our office premises and departmental canteen.
3. Encourage use of biodegradable and other types of compostable utensils in place of plastic, and bring a fork, knife and spoon from home.
4. Encourage use of durable, foldable and inexpensive reusable bag that can be carried around in car, pocket or purse.
5. Discourage plastic bottles. Have glass, steel or clay bottle in office.
6. Vermicomposting and take care of to avoid the use of Plastic bags and materials.
7. Free sapling distribution to locals
8. School level afforestation programme targeting general public.
9. Organising painting, drawing and poster competitions at our office premises focusing on beating plastic pollution
10. Plastic free cleanliness drives at premises
11. Seminars on important subject on plastic pollution
12. Display of short films on effect of plastic litter in water resources and remedial attempt.

Secretary, AWBI

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