



ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY & AWARENESS - DOS & DONTs

Let's Start from Home

DO's	DON'Ts
Use mug instead of running tap water, while brushing teeth, shaving, etc..	Don't allow water overflow from the over-head tank at your residence.
Use water cisterns and flush instead of running water in the toilets.	Don't junk household items on becoming non-functional. Instead seek to recycle and repair.
Create and maintain a mini garden (herbs & flowers in pots) at your residence if in an urban setting.	Don't use running water (hose/pipes) while cleaning or mopping the floors of your residence or surroundings.
While watering plants, use watering cans, instead of hose/pipes.	Avoid unnecessary usage of lights, fans and other electronic appliances.
Recycle and reuse cloth, jute or paper bags instead of plastic, while going to the market.	Avoid unnecessary wastage of food at home.

Prevention and Control of Vehicular Pollution

DO's	DON'Ts
Walk or ride a bicycle while commuting to Work. If not feasible, use Carpool services to reduce carbon footprint.	Don't use private vehicles extensively. Make use of public transportation whenever possible.
Ensure availability of a valid pollution under control (PUC) certificate at all times, only from authorized testing centre.	Don't keep your engine running at traffic stops. Beyond a one-minute wait time, it is more fuel efficient to stop and restart your vehicle.
Ensure regular maintenance of air filters, fuel filters, oil filters, silencers, batteries and tyres of your vehicles to save fuel and ensure safer emissions.	Don't perform unnecessary modifications and illegal / experimental tweaks to your vehicle.

Prevention and Control of Water Pollution

DO's	DON'Ts
Use kitchen water judiciously and reuse it for watering plants.	Avoid throwing puja materials, plastic, kitchen waste and other refuse into water bodies.
Use dishwashers, dryers and washing machines on full loads only. Use outdoor clothesline instead of a clothes dryer.	Don't use water hose/pipes to clean lawns, corridors or large exterior spaces. Instead, resort to sweeping.
Ensure maintenance of pipes and plumbing fixtures promptly at all times.	Don't wash the clothes and kitchen utensils in the water bodies.
Take showers instead of bathing with running tap water. Installation of low-flow shower-heads will prevent further wastage of water.	Don't keep the tap running during daily activities like bathing, brushing teeth, shaving or washing dishes to prevent wastage of water.

Prevention and Control of Noise Pollution

DO's	DON'Ts
Ensure proper maintenance of your motor vehicle engine and its exhaust silencer.	Avoid using the horns of your vehicle, except when absolutely necessary. Don't make use of air horns or other noise enhancing modifications.
Ensure that your Diesel Generator Set, if in use, is provided with an acoustic enclosure which ensures reduction of noise levels.	Don't use loudspeakers or any sound amplification system between 10:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M., except in closed premises.
Burst only those firecrackers that comply with Govt. prescribed noise standards and burn them in large open areas only during prescribed hours, away from schools, hospitals and old-age homes.	Don't use sound systems, amplifiers, loudspeakers at high volume levels beyond the prescribed limits, so as to not cause adverse health effects and social disturbances.

Energy Conservation

DO's	DON'Ts
Ensure periodic cleaning of the condenser coils of your refrigerator. Also, adjust your refrigerator to an optimal temperature setting.	Don't keep the lights and fans ON, if you will be out of the room for 15 minutes or more.
Make maximum use of natural day light, instead of using electric lights during the daytime.	Avoid using incandescent light bulbs or old appliances as they tend to be inefficient in terms of energy usage.
Use energy efficient electrical fixtures including LED lighting, compact fluorescent light tubes, brushless motor fans, etc.	Don't use dishwashers and washing machines without full load, to avoid repeat cycles.