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Join us for **WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2026** Programme

Clean up and Swachchta Rally and Seminar on Carbon Emissions and its Remedial Perspective for Community Action

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World Environment Day is a globally recognized platform that underscores the urgent need to address environmental challenges such as climate change, carbon emissions, and pollution. These challenges necessitate increased awareness and collective action.

Observance of this day provides an important opportunity to engage citizens, especially youth and local communities, in meaningful environmental initiatives.

Activities



- **Clean up action and Swachta Rally by hundreds of community volunteers**

Venue: Localities and environmentally sensitive stretches adjoining the Yamuna Khadar (floodplain) near Mayur Vihar in East Delhi.

- **Seminar on Carbon Emissions – Experts educate community members on causes, consequences and remedial measures to be taken up by communities and discuss gaps in actionable steps to reduce carbon emissions to safe levels**

Venue: Auditorium, Gandhi Darshan Campus, Rajghat, Delhi

- **Distribution of Information Booklet for educating general public on carbon emission: causes, consequences and civic responsibility**

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About the Seminar

Background: Delhi continues to face serious environmental and public health challenges arising from rising carbon emissions, urban pollution and ecological degradation. Major contributors to carbon emissions include transportation, industrial activities, energy consumption, waste burning and unscientific waste management practices. Seasonal atmospheric conditions, especially during winter, further aggravate air pollution levels, often leading to hazardous air quality conditions.

The environmentally sensitive Yamuna floodplain areas are increasingly affected by plastic waste, sewage inflow, loss of green cover and unsustainable urban practices. These challenges underline the urgent need for environmental awareness, community participation and practical strategies for reducing carbon emissions and protecting urban ecosystems. India requires locally adaptable, community-oriented and sustainable interventions. Civil society organizations, educational institutions, environmental experts and local communities therefore have a vital role in promoting environmental responsibility and influencing sustainable development policies.

Objectives: The Seminar aims to deliberate upon practical and community-oriented strategies for reducing carbon emissions, promoting environmental sustainability and strengthening public participation in environmental protection.

The Seminar will address the following key issues:

1. **Sustainable Urban Development:**

How can carbon emissions and environmental pollution be reduced to sustainable levels in major urban centres like Delhi?

2. **Urban Ecology and Green Interventions:**

How can afforestation, biodiversity conservation and environmentally beneficial plant species contribute to climate resilience and cleaner urban environments?

3. **Assessment of Existing Measures:**

Based on recent environmental trends and pollution patterns, are existing remedial measures sufficient, or are innovative and community-based solutions required?

4. **Community Responsibility and Public Participation:**

How can local communities, students, youth and civil society organizations contribute effectively towards reducing carbon emissions, improving cleanliness and promoting sustainable lifestyles?

Participants

- Students and youth
- Environmental experts and academicians
- NGOs and civil society organizations
- Local residents and community members



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