

## Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology &

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Member Secretary (EC)

Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology & Environment

The Deputy Director of Elementary Education at D| Shall Koingra Himachal Pradesh.

Subject:

Plastic Neutral Campaign on the occasion of World Environment Day 2025- Theme: "#Beat Plastic

r/Madam,

The World Environment Day is celebrated every year on 5th June. This year the Department of Environment, Science, Technology and Climate Change and Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology and Environment, Shimla (HIMCOSTE) is jointly celebrating World Environment Day on 5th June, 2025 by organizing different

activities all over the State. One of the important activities which are to be undertaken by Eco-club schools i.e. Plastic Neutral

Campaign on the occasion of World Environment Day-2025.

Further, the Department of Environment, Science Technology & Climate Change is implementing Plastic Waste Buy Back Policy in the PState. Under this Policy a remunerative price @ Rs. 75/- per k.g is given to individuals & rag pickers against purchase of single use plastic waste, so that it leads to segregation of Municipal Solid Waste at source and reduce littering at public places. Policy document can be downloaded from <a href="http://dest.hp.gov.in/?q=buy-back-policy">http://dest.hp.gov.in/?q=buy-back-policy</a>. In order to effectively convey the importance of banning single-use plastic and inculcate the habit of recycling among school children, it has been also decided that HIMCOSTE will collaborate with Eco Club Schools to raise awareness about the harmful effects of single-use plastic waste and promote recycling practices among young minds. Therefore, we kindly request your participation in the following activities:

1. Plastic Neutral Campaign.

Encourage students by incentivizing them @ Rs. 75/- per k.g. against the collection and deposit of single use plastic waste purely collected by them at their home on day-to-day basis through

Disposal of the collected plastic waste in coordination with nearby ULBs, Panchayats/ Block Development Offices & Public Works Department, Cement Industries etc. for construction of roads around or within the campus of respective school etc.

You are requested to kindly direct the Eco-club schools of your district to start the Plastic Neutral Campaign from May month upto 5th June 2025 and send us report as per format.

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For any query you may contact Mr. Rishiv Rana, Senior Scientific Assistant-7018502215.

Yours sincerely,

HIMCOSTE, Shimla, HP.

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