







TAMIL NADU POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD joins the celebration of



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CLEAN AIR FOR BLUE SKIES

September 7 - 2022

"The Air We Share"

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Air pollution is a local, regional and global challenge as air pollutants not only stay sufficiently long in the atmosphere with far-reaching impacts, but also can amplify negative effects of climate change contributing to more extreme weather patterns. It is the most serious single environmental risk to human health and one of the leading preventable causes of death and disease worldwide.

To mobilize global action to address air pollution, during its 74th session in 2019, the United Nations General Assembly designated 7 September as the International Day of Clean Air for blue skies. The day marks the importance of clean air for health, economy, and the environment and provides a platform for strengthening global solidarity and political momentum for action against air pollution. The day as well seeks to promote significance and urgency to raise public awareness adding emphasis on moving toward sustainability at all levels and facilitate measures to improve air quality.

The occasion was first marked on 7 September 2020 under the rights-based theme of 'Clean Air for All'. The second commemoration was held in 2021 under the theme 'Healthy Air, Healthy Planet', which emphasized the health aspects of air pollution. The theme for this year's day is 'The Air

We Share'. It focuses on the transboundary nature of air pollution while stressing the need for collective accountability through global, regional and local cooperation.

In this regard, MoEFCC had requested the State Pollution Control Board to organize State level function on the occasion of International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies on 7th September, 2022 for public awareness and participation for improving air quality of their city. Accordingly, Joint Chief Environmental Engineer's offices and District Environmental Engineer's offices were requested to observe an International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies on 7th September, 2022 under the head of District Collectors by organizing public awareness activities on combating air pollution.



International Day of Clean Air for blue skies

Celebrations in different districts of Tamil Nadu

Press Release:

Celebrations of the International Day of Clean Air for blue skies in Tamil Nadu

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CHENNAI

MANALI AND AMBATTUR

International Day of Clean Air for blue skies was observed by spreading awareness among the employees of various firms in co-ordination with M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd, Cassimode Terminal, Chennai. Employees of M/s. HPCL, Cassimode Terminal, M/s. IMC, M/s. IOCL, Royapuram and M/s. Chennai Container Terminal, Chennai Port and other units in Tondiarpet participated in the



program. Pledge was taken by TNPCB officials along with the employees and the Joint Chief Environmental Engineer, Chennai distributed tree saplings to the employees. Also, tree saplings were planted in the premises of O/o District Environmental Engineer, TNPCB.





The day was celebrated by conducting various events such as addressing air pollution and the challenges it poses, taking pledge towards 'Clean Air for blue skies' and planting about 50 tree saplings at each of the premises of M/s. Lincoln Electric Company (India) Private Limited and M/s. Mahindra





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DHARMAPURI DISTRICT

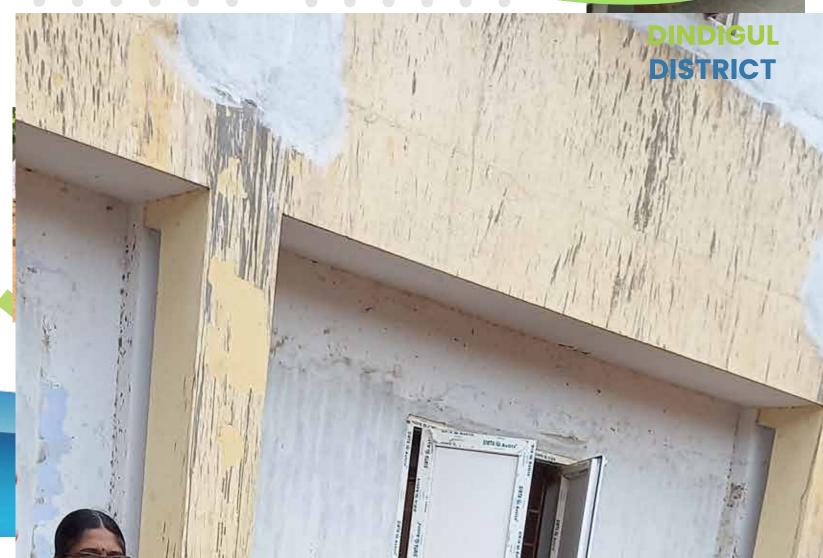
On the occasion, awareness was promoted on the importance of clean air and understanding on the dangers of plastic pollution and its ban to students of Govt. schools, colleges and industries and also distributed saplings and Meedum manjappai cloth bags to the participants.













ERODE DISTRICT

Erode District's celebration for International Day of Clean Air for blue skies was inaugurated by Thiru. H.Krishnanunni I.A.S, District Collector, Erode along with officials of Office of the District Environmental Engineer, TNPCB, Erode & Perundurai by distributing tree saplings and manjappai to the public. Deputy Director, Department of Agriculture also actively participated in the event by distributing tree saplings. In order to publicize the



celebration's significance and to spread public awareness on protecting the air quality, pamphlets were distributed across the district. The officials of TNPCB, Erode also held a tree plantation drive at their office to signify the value of green cover in air quality improvement.

HOSUR DISTRICT







Hosur in coordination with the District Administration, Krishnagiri conducted a rally program with 50 numbers of college students to spread the word on importance of clean air among the student indicatively. Participants received manjappai as well.



KARUR DISTRICT

On the occasion of Clean Air for Blue Skies, awareness programme and plantation drive was held in the premises of M/s Chettinad Cement Pvt. Limited, Karur.



MADURAI THIRUMANGALAM

Programmes pertaining to promote awareness were conducted on the occassion at the premises of M/s. Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Kappalur and M/s. J.K.Fenner (India) Limited. Kochadai, Madurai.





NAMAKKAL KUMARAPALAYAM

An Awareness programme was conducted on improving air quality at India Cements Limited, Sankagiri works, Namakkal. Also, the occasion of was celebrated by planting tree saplings for better air quality.





PUDUKKOTAI

DISTRICT

Tree saplings were planted in the office premises of District Environmental Engineer, TNPCB, Pudukkottai on the occasion of International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies.



RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT

Awareness on significance of clean air and efforts to improve air quality was created among employees of M/s. Arogya Hospital, Kenikkarai, Ramanathapuram and M/s. Reifen Industrial, Paramakudi, Ramanathapuram and also tree saplings were planted at their premises.













International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies was observed in the district by conducting awareness programme with the employees of various industries at their premises such as M/s. Sakthi Sugar Ltd., M/s. First Garments Manufacturing India Pvt., M/s. EID Parry India Ltd., M/s. Kaleeswarar Mills B Unit., M/s. Quantum Drugs (P) Ltd., M/s. Tamil Nadu Minerals Ltd., M/s. Sirius Zip Fasteners Private Limited, M/s. Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. Bottling which also included taking pledge and planting saplings.



THENI DISTRICT

The day was celebrated by creating awareness among students of Palaniappa Memorial Higher Secondary School, P.C.Patty, Theni on the importance of individual action to reduce pollution and improve air quality. Also, saplings were planted inside the school premises.







TIRUPATTUR VANIYAMBADI

International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies day was celebrated in M/s. Ambur Tannery Effluent Treatment Company Ltd., Thuthipet sector, Ambur where 50 tannery units participated and awareness was created among tannery units regarding impact of air pollution and control measures for air pollution. Also, tree saplings were planted in CETP premises.



TIRUVALLUR DISTRICT

Organized students to create public awareness on combating air pollution and conducted a massive cycle rally with school children to promote awareness for improving air quality holding placards starting from the District Collectorate, Tiruvallur to Tiruvallur Railway station on 07.09.2022 [about 4.4 KM]. Dr. Alby John Varghese



I.A.S, District Collector has flagged off the cycle rally. About 125 School children from five Government high/higher secondary school participated with Chief Educational Officer (CEO) of District Education, Tiruvallur, teachers and Police officials participated. Each of the students and officials carried Manjappai and placards with slogans on combating Air pollution so as to create awareness including banned single use plastics.









TIRUVANNAMALAI DISTRICT

A Massive Rally by involving School students was conducted on 19.09. to reach out to public at large on International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies. The District Collector inaugurated the rally on International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies by waving the green flag at Taluk Office Tiruvannamalai. The rally of students of various

schools holding the Banner on International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies, placards and their respective school banners along with a music band consisting of NCC school students travelled for about two hours, roaring slogans on Clean Air, impacts of air pollution, importance of trees to improve air quality, plastic ban etc. during the rally.



VILLUPURAM KALLAKURICHI

In line with the theme, International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies was celebrated in coordination with District Administration of Villupuram and Kallakurichi districts separately. A rally was conducted along with 200 participants consisting of NCC /NSS and School children at O/o. District Collectorate, Villupuram District and O/o. District Collectorate, Kallakurichi District under the head of respective District Collector creating awareness on impacts of air pollution and its abatement.







VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT

The district's celebration on the occasion included a gamut of events like taking pledge to act on climate change and clean air with school children at Sri Ram Primary School, Virudhunagar, distributing pamphlets on clean air city to public at Virudhunagar town and planting saplings at M/s The Ramco Cement Limited (Dry Mix plant), Thulukkapatti Village, Virudhunagar.





