



D.O. NO. 2411/5/2022-GC

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Dear Sir,

The following are the main activities of the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate change during the ~~month of June, 2022.~~

### Elimination of Single Use Plastics

In view of the ban on identified Single Use Plastics with effect from July 1, 2022, a number of measures have been taken on a continuous basis by the Ministry. These comprise advocacy amongst stakeholders-entrepreneurs & start-ups, industry, Urban Local Bodies, etc. – as also development of standards through BIS and awareness generation in the public at large. A meeting of the National Task Force was convened on June 22, 2022 wherein the preparedness of States-/ UTs was discussed. All States / UTs were requested to widely disseminate the videos and other information material developed by the Ministry, which have been translated into 19 languages and uploaded on the website.

### Celebration of International Yoga Day

This Ministry was allotted one of the 75 iconic sites identified by Ministry of AYUSH, at Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh for celebration of the International Day of Yoga on June 21, 2022. The event was organized at a befitting scale, and saw participation of more than 6500 people, led by Hon'ble Minister, EFCC.

### Forest and Environment Clearances

During the month, 1378.3791 ha. of forest land in 104 cases, was approved (In-Principle) under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. 517.7913 ha. of non-forest land and 853.5325 ha. of degraded forest land have been earmarked and approved for carrying out Compensatory Afforestation. The Ministry also activated a toll free number for tackling forest fires.

A total of 112 projects pertaining to different sectors were appraised by EACs. 45 projects were accorded environmental clearance and 52 projects were prescribed TORs across the country.

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World Environment Day

The Ministry celebrated World Environment Day on June 5, 2022 with the launch of Global Call for ideas for LIFE (Lifestyle For Environment) by Hon'ble Prime Minister. The Virtual event was attended amongst others by Mr. Bill Gates, Chairman, Microsoft and BMGF; Mr. David Malpass, President World Bank; Lord Nicolas Stern, International Climate Economist; also the UNEP and UNDP Global Heads.

*Regards,*

Yours sincerely,



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