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Sustainable Solutions to Beat Plastics Pollution

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MODERATOR



Shri Prabhjot Sodhi MBE
Director, MRAI
Senior Program Director, CEE

Shri Prabhjot Sodhi: He is the Senior Program Director of Circular Economy at Centre for Environment Education (CEE) with 40 years of experience. He has previously worked as Head of UNDP Circular Economy and has 12 years of hands-on experience in implementing Circular Economy strategies. He has also served as Country Program Manager for the Global Environment Facility (GEF) UNDP Small Grants Programme (SGP) for 14 years and Program Manager for Department for International Development (DFID), United Kingdom, and Government of India (GoI) in KIRIBCO for 13 years.

PANELISTS

Commodore Sujeet Samaddar (Retd)

Adviser MRAI, Founder and Secretary
Society for Aerospace Maritime and Defence Studies (SAMDeS)



Commodore Sujeet Samaddar, NM (Retd): Commissioned into the Indian Navy in 1980, he held various staff appointments and commanded four warships before taking an early retirement in 2009 in the highly prestigious appointment of Principal Director Naval Plans, Naval Headquarters, New Delhi. He was the Member Secretary of the NITI AAYOG Task Force on Drafting India's first comprehensive National Maritime Policy. He also drafted India's first comprehensive and integrated National Material Recycling Policy. He serves as Advisor to the Material Recycling Organisation of India (MRAI).

Nutan Zarapkar

Lead-WASH & Climate change Division
RTI International India



Nutan Zarapkar: A Chemical Engineer with over 26 years of work experience in environment and energy. Currently she is responsible for leading the WASH and Climate change division at RTI International India. She worked with United States Agency for International Development (USAID) as a Program Specialist and focused on environmental projects. And also served as the Executive Director of the Advisory Practice of Ernst & Young LLP.

Nitesh Chandrakar

Environmental Policy, Resource Efficiency Advisor
Plastic waste management, GIZ International Services



Nitesh Chandrakar: An Environmental Policy maker & Resource Efficiency Advisor. Plastic Waste Management- Project AVIRAL. Reducing Plastic Waste in the Ganga. Have tenure at organisations like United Nations Development Program, FINISH Society, Aga Khan Development Network & GIZ International.

Sudhir Kumar

Former Senior Advisor, NITI AAYOG



Shri Sudhir Kumar: He is a former Adviser (Industry) for NITI Aayog, the policy think tank of the Government of India. He served the Planning Commission, starting in 2001. His primary functional work within NITI Aayog encompassed policy matters related to Public Sector Enterprises, enhancing competitiveness, as well as the Heavy Industry and Steel Sector. Additionally, he played a key role in promoting Circular Economy and Blue Economy initiatives.

Manish Agarwal

Managing Partner, Vrindavan Plastics



Manish Agarwal: Founder and managing partner of Vrindavan Plastic Industries, pioneer and leader of plastic recycling company in India. Vrindavan Plastic Industries has started a non-profit organization formally known as Conscious Earth Foundation, to do in-depth research and develop new technologies in the field of waste management and sustainable environmental projects. Also, a proud member of "Clean The Cosmos" movement.

Sumit Kumar

Managing Director, HIKON Machinery Ltd



He is a seasoned business leader with over 14 years of experience in the Plastic Recycling Industry. As Director of Hikon, he is responsible for overseeing all aspects of the company's operations, including strategic planning, business development, and financial management. He has a proven track record of installing many recycling projects all over India and abroad.

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