

## WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY 2022



### From The Director's Desk

World Environment Day is the United Nations' principal vehicle for encouraging worldwide awareness and action for the environment. Held annually since 1974, the Day has also become a vital platform for promoting progress on the environmental dimensions of sustainable development goals. With the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) at the helm, over 150 countries participate each year to champion environmental causes.

World Environment Day 2022 will be held under the theme [Only One Earth](#), highlighting the need to [live sustainably in harmony with nature](#) by bringing transformative changes - through policies and our choices - towards cleaner, greener lifestyles.

[Only One Earth](#) was the motto for the 1972 Stockholm Conference; 50 years on, the motto holds true - [this planet is our only home, whose finite resources humanity must safeguard](#).

In 2022, we hope to see a world turning the corner on the worst of the COVID-19 pandemic. But we continue to face the crises of climate change, nature loss, and pollution. The World Environment Day theme that puts nature and people at the centre of environmental work - reminds us of the critical work of protecting our environment and injects a vital thrust to global efforts to [build back better and greener](#)."

Maintaining environmental health is part of the vision statement of IFFCO. Commitment to environment protection and ecological balance has always been of paramount importance to IFFCO Paradeep Unit since its inception. The pollution control measures and adoption of latest technologies have improved the quality of life in the plant as well as the surroundings. Maintaining pristine water bodies, clean air and conservation of natural resources in the nearby areas has been our primary focus. Many bird species add colour to our beautiful green campus. Horticulture section has planted abundant saplings in the plant premises & distributed them in nearby villages as a part of the plantation drive.

We have had a challenging time in maintaining a sustainable productivity and overall welfare of the society during the pandemic. I appreciate the sincere cooperation and dedication shown by our employees, contract workers and all stakeholders associated with us during this time. In spite of several obstacles, we have been determined in our journey to serve our farmers with an indomitable spirit.

On this special day, I appeal to each one of you to contribute in measurable terms towards living sustainably in harmony with nature by making small alterations in your day-to-day-life.

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