

Ganapati Bappa Moreya- Green Devotees !



Be it the growing trend of car pooling, recycling paper, saving electricity, the eco-consciousness is fast gaining momentum. As always walking the talk, Tata Powerites celebrated the Ganesh festival, in a green way this year with great zeal and fervour.

This year **Kishore Salunke**, Senior Technician, & his family brought home a Ganapati idol made of marble stone powder instead of the more popular Plaster of Paris ones. The regular ritual of visrajan was undertaken by dipping the idol in a bucket of water for overnight & then preserving the idol for puja in the coming years.



Ganesha Marble Idol



Ganesha Clay Idols



Celebrating Ganesha in its true spirits, Surabhi S. Bhide, a budding sculptor and daughter of **Shrikant Bhide** from Transmission Division, Kalyan, moulded together eco-friendly clay Ganesha & decorated it in water colors. The bucketful of water used for visrajan was later utilized for gardening.

Living by the 3 R's of sustainability, Reuse, Recycle, Reduce- **Shafali Singh**, Lead Associate - Business HR from Noida, reused the diyas from

last year puja & repainted them. She has been reusing diyas every diwali for the past 7 years. "Every year I re-colour the diyas and dispose only the cracked ones.", she says. She suggests the same can be done for idols.

With more and more people making a conscious choice to go green, the hope of a sustainable urban environment now seems to become a reality.



Green Diwali @ Greenolution!

It's that wonderful time of the year when festivities are in the air and nip of winter brings with it the smell of mouth-watering delicacies. We reach out to our green brigade to celebrate a Green Diwali @ Greenolution!



Use diyas & fragrant candles

Do not use electric lights to illuminate your home. Instead, opt for diyas (earthen lamps) and candles. This will not only reduce the amount of electricity being consumed, the flickering diyas will look prettier too. If you must use electric illumination, opt for LED lights. They use at least 80 per cent lesser energy than the regular ones and also come in various hues.



Make an eco-rangoli

Use flowers & spices to make a beautiful eco-friendly rangoli.



Organise events & avoid crackers

Organise a theme party & avoid crackers in celebrations. Encourage guests to bring in one home cooked meal each, play rummy, have music & dance competition. In the end you may have titles & prizes for – Best dressed, Best Dish, Best dancer, Best singer for the event. This way you may enjoy diwali with your loved ones with echoes & giggles of happiness and not crackers.



Make your own Diwali cards

Cut out pictures and stick them on craft paper to make your very own customised rangoli drawing on the card. Use kumkum and haldi to create Goddess Lakshmi's footprints on your card. You can even use ribbons, bindis, old clips and pieces of cloth to design your card with bright colours.



Donate & bring cheers to lives

Diwali can be a great time for recycling and donating unused items lying around the house. Often there are a lot of clothes and toys that are no longer in use. Passing them on to the less privileged will make their Diwali brighter and yours a more meaningful one.

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What generally accounts for the greatest use of household water?

- a) Washing machine
- b) Dishwasher
- c) Shower
- d) Landscaping

Taking a bath with bucket saves more water than taking a shower.

- a) True
- b) False

How many litres of water is lost in an average household each year due to leaky pipelines?

- a) 11,400 litres
- b) 19000 litres
- c) 34000 litres
- d) 41600 litres

What percentage of Earth is water?

- a) 10%
- b) 45%
- c) 70%
- d) 25%

One drop of oil can pollute how many litres of fresh water?

- a) 1 litre
- b) 10 litres
- c) 100 litres
- d) 1000 litres

The winner for last issue of Green Quotient is
LSVKS Murthy

Congratulations!

Green Canvas



Ujjwal Karre



Somenath Mukherjee



Anjul Dayal



Debarghya Mitra



Sagar Kalmi