

Earth Day is Celebrated on 22<sup>nd</sup> April of every year. This year's celebration marks the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Earth Day. The theme for the Earth Day 2020 is "Climate Action". The enormous challenge — but also the vast opportunities — of action on climate change have distinguished the issue as the most pressing topic for the 50th anniversary. Climate change represents the biggest challenge to the future of humanity and the life-support systems that make our world habitable.

The first Earth Day is credited with launching the modern environmental movement, and is now recognized as the planet's largest civic event. The first Earth Day in 1970 launched a wave of action, including the passage of landmark environmental laws in the United States. The Clean Air, Clean Water and Endangered Species Acts were created in response to the first Earth Day in 1970, as well as the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Many countries soon adopted and enacted similar laws.

Earth Day continues to hold major international significance: In 2016, the United Nations chose Earth Day as the day when the historic Paris Agreement on climate change was signed into force. The world needs you — and your actions — for Earth

On Earth day, April 22, 2020, we will pledge to create immediate response to replenish nature to fight against pandemic and to build resilience and adaptive capacity for ongoing Climate Change.

## **EARTH RISE FOR EARTH DAY**

EARTH RISE is how we set a new global standard on Earth Day 2020. 50 years ago, millions took to the streets for the first-ever Earth Day and fought successfully for the future of our planet.

On April 22, 2020, "LETS DO IT AGAIN"

As a mark of celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> year of Earth Day, the Department of Environment, Govt. of Tamil Nadu is planning to conduct Online Quiz competition for School/College students to create awareness on Environment and Climate change on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2020. Students can register for the same in the link given below. The registration will be open from 14<sup>th</sup> April to 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020 5.00pm. The link for participating in the competition will be sent only to those registered.

Registration link: https://forms.gle/B6aXsBe1WTNR1swS6