ZERO WASTE SCHOOLS

The Programme

Schools provide excellent platforms for promotion and sustenance of good behavioral practices among young. Children can be trained to become strong advocates for growing environmental concerns.

The Zero Waste Schools is a Decentralised Waste Management program specially developed for schools for inculcating among them the habit of managing their waste. This has been designed to educate school students to the growing cause of waste management and promote sustainable consumption and lifestyles among them.

The program is a School level program which promotes sustainable waste management by spreading awareness about the problem of waste, demonstrating pilot projects on decentralized waste management (paper recycling and vermi-composting) and forming youth advocates for scaling up these decentralized models.

The Components

Following are the key components of the programme:

• Awareness Workshops on Decentralised Waste Management

• Practical Workshops on Waste and Waste Management

• Sensitising 200 students/school to the cause of waste management

• Waste Audit Report for each school developed with school children

• Establishment of decentralized waste management model in each school (One paper recycling unit and one vermicompost unit)

• 50 Zero Waste Ambassdors created for waste management

Expected Outcomes

• 5000 students sensitised to the cause of waste management

• An action group of 50 Zero Waste Ambassdors formed at school level to take continuous action to manage waste in their school

• Development of a Zero Waste School network