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# What Can YOU Do?

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## [Mother Earth's Blog](#)

Please check out earlier mother earth blogs by clicking the Blog link above on Peace and Justice, Partnerships, Life on Land, Zero Hunger and more.

## EDITOR'S NOTES



## Toxic air crisis chokes Delhi

The air has heavy metals and other carcinogens at levels more than 30 times World Health Organization limits.


More than 6,000 schools have been shut and the local government has ordered to limit the traffic.

Read more [here](#)

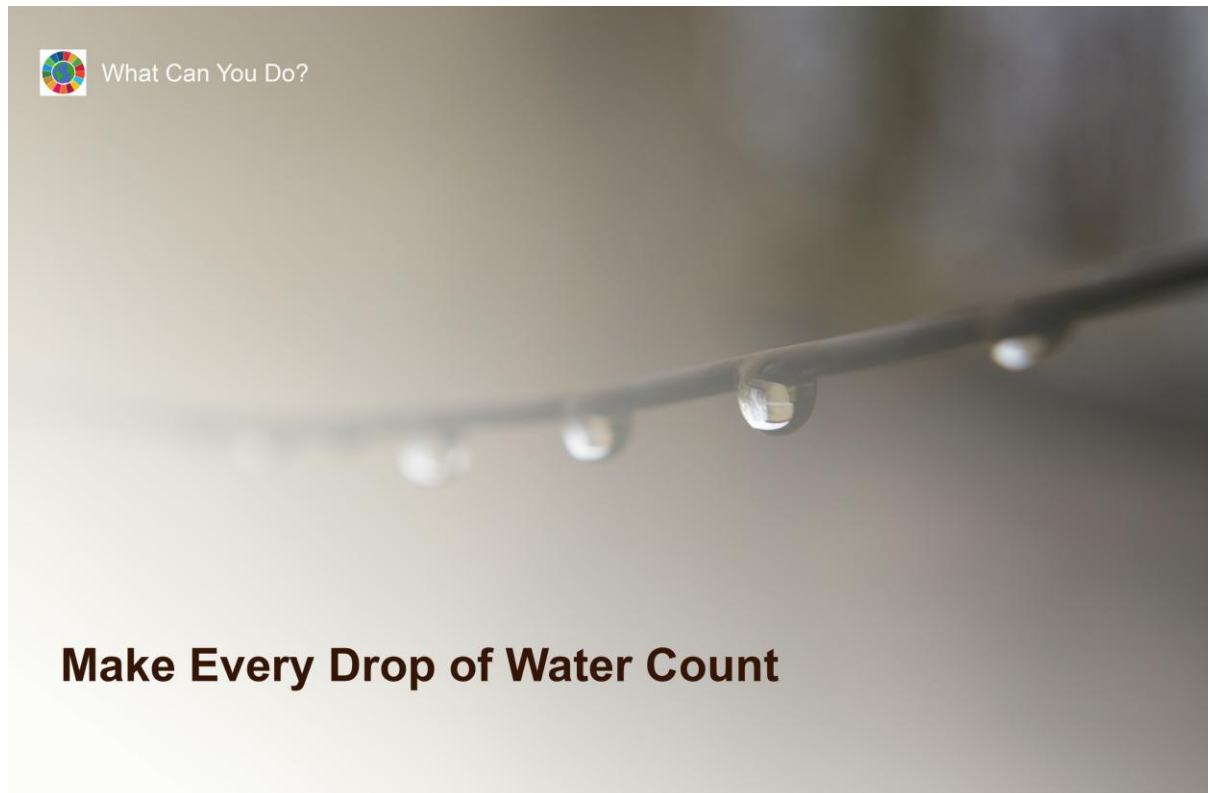


**World Notebook**

The toxic air pollution in India's capital city that follows crop burning in the country's northern states has reached emergency levels



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**Make Every Drop of Water Count**

## FACTS OF THE WEEK – TO SHARE WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY

- Highest poverty rates are found in small fragile and conflict affected countries
- Corruption and tax evasion costs developing countries \$1.26 Trillion (\$1260 billions) each year – money that could be used to raise incomes of the poorest in those countries
- 80% of people living in rural areas of developing countries rely on traditional plant based medicines so loss of forests / vegetation can be devastating



We are pleased to brief you on latest events, progress and issues addressed under each of the SDGs as grouped into the 5Ps -

**People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace, Partnerships:**

## PLANET



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## PEOPLE

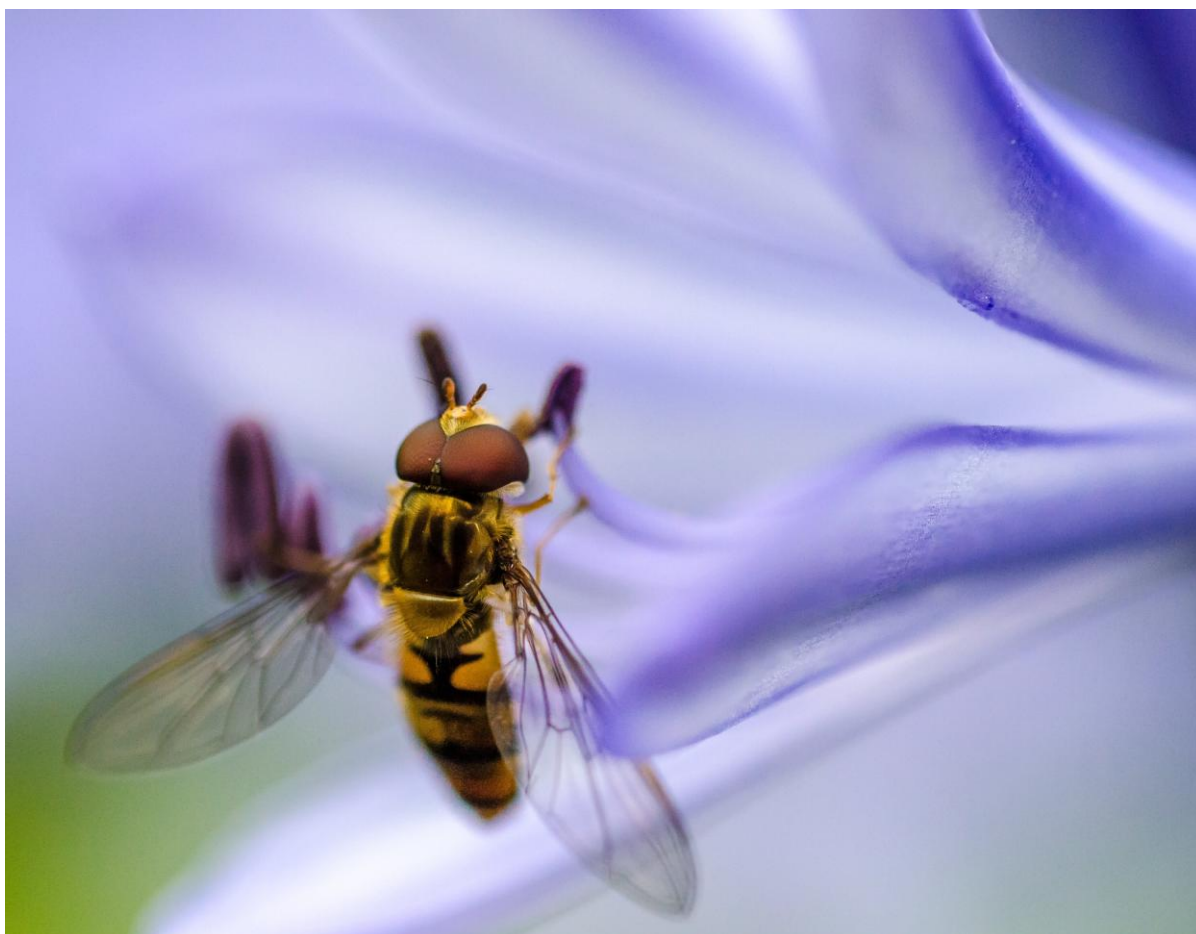
### **The world's most gender-equal countries**

The Global Gender Gap Report 2017 reveals that Iceland has now closed more than 87% of its overall gender gap.

See more of this news [here](#).

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## PROSPERITY



### **UK will back total ban on bee harming pesticides**

New evidence shows neonicotinoids have contaminated the whole landscape and cause damage to colonies of bees.

Read full story [here](#).

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## PEACE, JUSTICE

### **UNHCR chief urges international leaders**

## to tackle conflicts at the root of today's global displacement crisis

“Have we become unable to broker peace?”

Read full story [here](#).

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## PARTNERSHIPS



## Plastic straws to be banned in Cornwall

A campaign group wants all plastic straws to be removed from bars to stop plastic waste littering the county's shoreline.

Find out more [here](#)

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