



What Can YOU Do?

Get Involved, Make a Difference. Make some NOISE!

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Breaking news !

Dear Reader ,

Thank you for continuing to read our newsletter to keep yourself informed about important issues related to sustainability, climate change etc. and about what is being done around the world to help create a better, fairer and safer world for all. Now that we are nearing our first year of Newsletter distribution activity we want to enter the next phase of our development and growth. We hope that some of you may now be ready and willing to assist us by joining in our efforts to “spread the word” and to inform, educate and motivate others to start taking action to help save our fragile World.

We will keep our readers informed as things develop over the coming months and hope that you will, support our efforts by sharing the information in our newsletter with your family, friends and colleagues. We now want each of our readers to discuss the issues we raise with **at least 2 new persons each week** and to encourage them to subscribe to our (free) newsletter and to follow us on our Facebook and twitter pages. If every one of readers does this each week with 2 new persons, we will start building up our community of like- minded persons who can and will make make a difference and help save our World. Now it is your turn to become active so go and find 2 new persons to convert this week.

Facts of the Week

- Agriculture accounts for as much as 90% of global water consumption.
- More than 650 million people around the world do not have access to safe water.
- 842,000 adult and child deaths from diarrhoea could be prevented each year with access to clean drinking water
- Up to 80 percent of ocean plastic pollution enters the ocean from land.
- At least 267 different species have been affected by plastic pollution in the ocean.
- 100,000 marine animals are killed by plastic bags annually.
- One in three leatherback sea turtles have been found with plastic in their stomachs.

Interesting topics



- Arctic's strongest sea ice breaks up for first time on record. Read [more](#).
- Cost of New E.P.A. Coal Rules: up to 1400 more deaths a year. Check out full story via the [link](#).
- Can we afford to keep rebuilding in the line of wildfires? See full version of the [article](#).
- The Philippines is planning a \$14 billion "pollution free" city that will be larger than Manhattan. Find out more [here](#).
- Our Planet is exploding with ocean dead zones. Click the [link](#) to find out more.
- Some Arctic Ground no longer freezing – even in winter. Check [article](#) by National Geographic.

- Pesticides touted as neonicotinoid replacement still harms bees. Read [more](#).
- Did you know that babies in strollers breathe up to 60% more dangerous air pollution than adults? Follow the [link](#).
- A small Greek island will become the first in the Mediterranean to run solely on wind and solar power after its businesses have been hindered by blackouts. Read full article via the [link](#).
- Public “back” taxes to tackle single – use plastic waste. Check [more](#).
- Third of farmed fruit and veg deemed “too ugly to sell” – read full [article](#).
- UN helps fashion industry shift to low carbon. Check out more on this [topic](#).

Did you know that:



- Organic farming typically requires 2.5 times more labour than conventional farming, but it yields 10 times the profit.
- **Millions of homes are already being powered by off-grid renewable energy systems.** The International Renewable Energy Agency recently released a report that stated that nearly 26 million households are served by off-grid renewable energy systems, such as solar home systems, mini-wind turbines, and renewables-based mini-grids.
- Insulating walls and floors will prevent a further 25% loss of heat.

#Sustainable #living



Quote of the Week:

"Sustainability is about ecology, economy and equity"

Ralph Bicknese



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