

Proposal on Climate Action Group

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Climate Action Group is a platform through which individuals (including students) NGOs and Schools can work in tandem to fight climate change and support victims of this phenomenon. The group will work in the following four areas: i) Research & Data Collection ii) Climate Change Awareness iii) Activities, and iv) Fund-raising.

Role of PUPA (NGO)

PUPA will engage in all four activities independently and contribute directly to activities for mitigation of climate change such as collection & distribution of salt-tolerant paddies, organic cultivation, alternative agriculture, organise community plantations, production of organic fertilizers and pest- repellents. It will act as an interface between the community members and the schools, and coordinate between schools whenever necessary. It will also help the schools in the activity-based projects if necessary and try to organise annual meetings of the member schools.

Role of Member Schools

Schools can motivate their students to act now for their own future. They can participate in recording or collecting data regarding climate change, organise activity-based projects to learn about climate change and means of mitigating it's effect (eg learning about bio-diversity of school gardens, increasing biodiversity by planting more trees, urban kitchen gardens, herbal gardens, composting etc). They can create awareness about climate change, the devastating effects of deforestation, use of plastics, wastage of water and so on. They can also participate in fund-raising drives to collect money, used garments, utensils for distribution amongst the victims of climate change.

Role of Individuals (including Students)

Every human being, including student, has a role to play in mitigating/adapting the effects of climate change by making changes to their day to day life. Some of these are listed below (so many similar activities):

- 1) **Reducing waste** at home by means of water conservation, home composting, avoiding use of plastic and single use items as much as possible, switching to bio-degradable alternatives for every day household items, reducing electricity use by switching off lights and electronic devices when not required.
- 2) **Lifestyle changes** – adopting a minimalistic lifestyle, using public transport, cycling or walking, moving to a more plant-based diet.
- 3) **Environmental activism** – growing more plants/trees in one's house and neighbourhood, raising awareness amongst friends and relatives, protesting against activities that degrade the environment (eg cutting trees), volunteer/donate to projects fighting climate change.

For Registration (may be on-line)

Name, address & date of Birth:

Contact details (mobile, mail ID):

Interest/Activity:

Suggestion, etc.:

Signature (**Seal for Institution only**):