

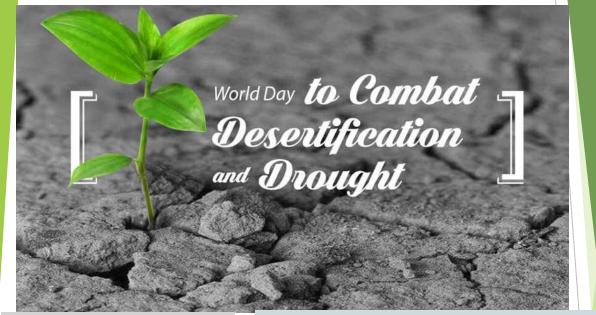
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Observe World Environment Day 5th June 2024, Wednesday

The theme for World Environment Day in 2024 is **'Land restoration**, **desertification and drought resilience**,' which underscores the importance of living responsibly and in harmony with nature. Saudi Arabia is the host nation for the World Environment Day conference this year. The event, organized by Saudi Arabia, promotes the campaign "Land restoration, desertification and drought resilience," encouraging individuals and communities worldwide to adopt sustainable practices and take action against the climate crisis.



Why is this year's theme important?

According to the UN Convention to Combat Desertification, up to 40 per cent of the planet's land is degraded. This directly affects half of the world's population and threatening roughly half of global GDP (US\$44 trillion). The number and duration of droughts has increased by 29 per cent since 2000. Without urgent action, droughts may affect over threequarters of the world's population by 2050 (Source: UN).

Land restoration is a key pillar of the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030), a rallying call for the protection and revival of ecosystems all around the world.



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World Environment Day 2024: Protect Our Land, Combat Desertification, Nurture Drought Resilience- Our Future in Our Hands!

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Topics:

- Promoting Sustainable Agriculture: Embracing agroecological practices such as conservation agriculture, agroforestry, and precision farming can mitigate soil erosion, enhance soil fertility, and improve water efficiency.
- Empowering Communities through Policy Reforms and Raising Awareness: Empowering local communities with knowledge, resources, and tools to manage their natural resources sustainably is essential. This includes supporting smallholder farmers with access to droughtresistant crops, water harvesting techniques, and alternative livelihood options.
- Investing in Restoration: Governments, NGOs, and private sectors must prioritize investments in land restoration projects, including reforestation and aforestion together.



let's cultivate hope for a greener, healthier planet. After all, our land is indeed our future. Happy World Environment Day!