

Uttar Pradesh Ranks Eighth in Plastic Waste Emissions | Uttar Pradesh | 28 Oct 2022

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According to the Plastic Alternative Report-2022 released on October 27, 2022, Uttar
Pradesh ranks eighth in terms of plastic waste emissions in the country.

Key Points

- The report also talks about innovative applications by various states for recycling and reusing waste
- It is to be noted that Uttar Pradesh has banned the manufacture, collection, transportation, sale, recycling and use of single-use plastics since 2018 and two plants to convert plastic waste into fuel have been set up in the state.
- One such plant was set up in Prayagraj in the state last year. In this, single-use plastic is used to convert it into fuel. Apart from this, a plant is already functioning in Mathura. The capacity of both these plants is 2700 tonnes per annum.
- Apart from setting up plants, plastic waste is also being used in road construction and paper mills have taken the initiative to reuse such waste with cement mills.
- The Plastic Alternative Report-2022 states that Maharashtra ranks first in terms of plastic waste emissions in the country and Goa is ranked one in terms of per capita waste removal. It is followed by Delhi and Kerala and Uttar Pradesh at number 28. Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura top the list in terms of low per capita plastic waste emissions.
- Status of other states in plastic waste emissions-

Kingdom	Plastic waste emissions (in percentage)
Maharashtra	13
Tamil Nadu	12
Gujarat	12
West Bengal	9
Karnataka	9
Telangana	7
Delhi	7
Uttar Pradesh	5
Haryana	4
Kerala	4
Madhya Pradesh	3
Punjab	3
Other	11

- The report states that 34,69,780 tonnes of plastic waste is generated in the country every year. This figure is for the year 2019-20. The per capita plastic waste emissions in the country has been doubled in five years i.e. 2016-20.
- It has also been reported in the report that due to the **Swachh Bharat Mission**, the waste management infrastructure has become very strong in different states of the country and now the

trend of converting plastic waste into other forms and using it elsewhere has increased with new technology. However, it needs to be taken to a wider level, as it is not enough right now.

Uttar Pradesh Police Will Now Be Hi-Tech | Uttar Pradesh | 28 Oct 2022

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 According to information received from media sources on October 27, 2022, on the instructions of Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Uttar Pradesh Police will now be hi-tech by spending more than 650 crores.

Key Points

- In order to make Uttar Pradesh Police hi-tech, it will soon be equipped with a body worn camera and full body protector.
- The home department has sanctioned Rs 4.8 crore for the purchase of 1,200 body worn cameras, Rs 2.48 crore for the purchase of 1,650 full-body protectors for women and Rs 6 crore for the purchase of 30,000 post-mortem kits under the police modernization scheme.
- Upgraded social media monitoring cells are going to be set up in 10 districts of the state by spending about Rs 641 crore. Similarly, QRTs for law and order will be set up in 10 other districts.
- Apart from this, a dedicated FSL will be set up for investigation and investigation of SIT, EOW, CBCID and ACO at a cost of Rs 6.75 crore. A dedicated mini technical lab is being developed in Kannauj.
- The crime scene videography app developed by NCRB has been launched in Muzaffarnagar, Barabanki and Aligarh in the first phase and an action plan has been prepared to implement it in other districts of the state. For this, the Technical Services Headquarters has constituted a technical committee for the entire process.
- It is known that cyber help desks have been established in all 1531 police stations of the state. The process of administrative building construction of all the 18 regional cyber police stations of the state has also been started and the organization responsible for seven regional cyber police stations Varanasi, Jhansi, Basti, Aligarh, Azamgarh, Gorakhpur and Banda has been designated.

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