

# Post COVID-19: The Nature at its Best

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Keep surroundings green and clean is a common statement we often hear, but the question is to what extent is this followed? When things are going topsy turvy and people have become stagnant not aware what is in store for the future. The COVID-19 has also become a blessing in disguise around the world as we witnessed nature rejuvenation. Things may not be the same after the lockdown period is over, we can also find that there will be a light that shines at the end of the tunnel.

Let us know man and nature always go together. If we mess up with nature, we are inviting in trouble for ourselves. Nature is a blessing to mankind and let us strive to keep it that way. The COVID-19 pandemic has had huge impacts on human activities especially on the economy and health care systems. Lockdowns, quarantines and border closures in the wake of the pandemic have led to drastic reductions in air pollution because of travel and production have stopped to some extent. These positive environmental effects are likely to be temporal, but may serve as

an example that can be a motivation to change for the better. In return it will have promising effects for the environment and demonstrated the usefulness of travel-reducing measures through teleconferencing. Thus, acknowledging the fact that COVID-19 is the first and foremost global disaster of this century, the pandemic may inspire how to cope with future with environment friendly positive thinking and acts.

Although the virus outbreaks across the globe is a disaster to humans but when it comes to the environment, it has brought a drastic change. As travel restrictions are in place across the world and only emergency travels are being allowed, we can see a change in the quality of air. In the post-COVID, we cannot expect that these changes may continue but we can obviously hope that these changes serve as an inspiration to maintain the desired air quality that supports life on earth.

Most of the time we could see disposing garbage close to their homes, which causes the entire locality's serenity to be ugly as well as has

become breeding place for mosquitoes and pathogens. The pandemic has brought in a civic sense. Many people now aware separation of garbage into dry and wet helps proper disposal. This is another major step towards environmental awareness to keep our vicinity clean. We do find that "Swaach Bharat" mission is gaining momentum amidst pandemic and hoping it will continue in the future.

As there is a saying "Cleanliness is next to Godliness". As we worship and honor God, let us honor through keeping our surroundings clean and tidy with promotion of greenery. When nature is in fury, we know the consequences and nature's way of taking revenge. With the pandemic, we have also experienced many earthquakes, forest fires and floods. It is high

time we give back to nature the respect that is due. It is also time we inculcate afforestation than deforestation. This reduces soil erosion and retains soil quality with increased biodiversity. Promote recycling as much as possible to avoid using plastics and other non-biodegradable (and toxic) materials. Through this we can bring in a transformation in the nature we own for betterment of life. William Wordsworth says: "Come forth into the light of things. Let nature be your teacher". Let us unite and pledge that we will always be under the guidance of Mother Nature and make this earth a blissful heaven.

