



7 SEPTEMBER

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR CLEAN AIR FOR BLUE SKIES



"Clean air shouldn't be a privilege dictated by where you can afford to live but a right to which we are all entitled."

- Kevin de Leon -



Why do We Mark This Day?



Do you consider your home a safe place against air pollution? Can we predict the air quality of our place? Is there any way to determine the number of pollutants in the air that we breathe? Air quality is a measure of how clean or polluted the air is. By monitoring air quality, we can prevent and minimize its detrimental effects on our health and to our environment.

To emphasize the importance of improving air quality worldwide, UN General Assembly declared the First International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies on September 7, 2020. This declaration is brought by the call of the international community for global clean air and it has underscored the need to make intensive efforts to improve air quality and to reduce air pollution. Experiencing the pandemic, the international community acknowledges that improving air quality can alleviate the impact of climate change.



Questions for Discussion



(International Day for Clean Air for Blue Skies celebration)

- ✓ Based on the video, how can air pollution be harmful to human beings? What are the sources of air pollution?
- ✓ As we celebrate the International Day for Clean Air for Blue Skies, what can we do to prevent air pollution?



Meet Today's Global Citizens



Dr. Tedros Ghebreyesus

As the Director General for the World Health Organization (WHO), Dr. Ghebreyesus promotes air cleanliness. He calls on the public to rethink how to organize our societies, our cities, and our transportation as well as how to cook our food and heat our homes.



Kamal Meattle

He is an Indian environmental activist, and the CEO of Paharpur Business Centre. He shows how an arrangement of three common houseplants used in specific spots in a home or office building can result in measurably cleaner indoor air. He shares the link between indoor air quality and high productivity.

