

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS OF FOOD LOSS AND WASTE

"There is food for everyone on this planet, but not everyone eats."

- Carlo Petrini -

Why do we mark this day?



The International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste is celebrated on September 29 every year since its resolution was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 19th December 2019.

Reducing food losses and waste is extremely important as a great number of people are still suffering from hunger and the volume of food waste is getting increased every year. According to UN, it is estimated that 14 percent of food produced is lost between harvest and retail, and 17 percent of food production is wasted.

The day invites all individuals and communities to reflect on the issue and take actions in our lives. We need to look back on our own actions in daily lives but also find innovative ways to improve the food system locally and globally.

Questions for Discussion

✓ Which Sustainable Development Goal strives to fulfill no poverty and zero hunger respectively?

✓ Where are the food waste and losses being made? Research and relate it with your own habits.

Meet Today's Global Citizen



Norman Borlaug

An American Agronomist, Norman Borlaug has led various initiatives on increasing agricultural production called Green Revolution. In Mexico, Pakistan and India, he has introduced the high-yielding varieties with modern agricultural technology, which greatly improved the food security in the countries. He was often called the father of the Green Revolution, and was praised for saving people from hunger. In 1970, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for a lifetime of work to feed a hungry world. .