

EDITORIAL

STAY SWACHH BEYOND THE PAKHWADA

We took the Swachhata pledge last year in the month of July, and again this year too. The pledge we took is, "I take this pledge that I will remain committed towards cleanliness and devote time for this. I will devote 100 hours per year, that is two hours per week, to voluntarily work for cleanliness. I will neither litter nor let others litter."

This is a very strong commitment we have promised, as it requires complete allegiance if we sincerely wish to save our world from the grapple of the waste generated by mankind. On page 14 we have shared a reminder of what the plastic wastes is actually doing to humanity as well as the oceans, where all the waste finally ends up.

Let us give it a really deep thought and do our bit for cleanliness, not just during 1-15 July 2022, the Swachhata fortnight, but beyond as well.

In this edition of *JwalaDhwani Mini*, along with the top-stories, we also bring you highlights from the *World Environment Day* and *International Day of Yoga* observances here at KR, all aimed at global wellness.

With the new surge of COVID on the rise, let's consciously brace up and ensure all safety protocols of *sanitise, mask and social distance* to keep our work-place and home safe.

Stay Safe.
Editor



1st July to 15th July, 2022

It is not just a thought,
It is not just an activity,
It is not just a social programme,
It is a commitment.

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BPCL C&MD UPDATES GOK CHIEF SECRETARY ON BPCL INVESTMENT PLANS IN KERALA

With an investment to the tune of ₹ 30,000 Cr in Kerala during the last decade, which is almost 40% of the BPCL standalone capital investment, it is evident that BPCL has always preferred Kochi Refinery in Kerala as an investment option. BPCL had ventured into Petrochemicals at Kochi Refinery by commissioning the PDPP units and now, board approval has been taken for preparing a Detailed Feasibility Report for Polypropylene Project in Kochi Refinery.

The BPCL team led by Chairman and Managing Director, Mr. Arun Kumar Singh met Mr. VP Joy IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt of Kerala today, 16 June 2022, in Thiruvananthapuram to seek Government of Kerala support for the proposed petrochemical projects in Kochi Refinery. The preliminary estimate of the Polypropylene Project at KR is around ₹ 5000 Cr and the potential downstream investment opportunity is around ₹ 3000 Cr. The estimated employment generation potential is around 35000 Nos (direct, indirect and induced).

In a brief presentation to the Chief Secretary, C&MD also shared about the recent investments in Kerala which includes the Integrated Refinery Expansion Project at a capital cost of ₹ 16504 Cr, the Propylene Derivative Petrochemical Project at a Capital cost of ₹ 6285 Cr and the MS Block Project to meet Euro VI norms at a Capital Cost of ₹ 3289 Cr. The economic contribution to the State Exchequer in 2021-22 has been ₹ 2,495 Cr and to the Central Exchequer, it was ₹ 39,877 Cr.

Also present at the meeting were Mr. Suman Billa IAS, Principal Secretary, Industries, Mr. Sanjay Kaul IAS, Secretary, Finance Expenditure and Mr. Mohammed Y Safeerulla, IAS, Secretary, Finance Resource. The BPCL team led by C&MD included Mr. Sanjay Khanna, (Director Refineries), Mr. RP Natekar, Executive Director (Planning & Corporate Affairs) I/c and Mr. Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery).





BHARAT PETROLEUM PIONEERS IN AUTOMATED ROBOTIC DRUM FILLING PLANT FOR PETCHEM PRODUCTS AT KOCHI REFINERY

After setting up the first PECTHEM plant in India, BPCL pioneers with fully Automated Robotic Drum Filling facility for Petchem Products. The fully automated robotic facility was inaugurated and commissioned by Mr. VRK Gupta, Director Finance with additional charge of HR, in the presence of Mr. Ajith Kumar, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) and other senior officials of KR on 28 May 2022.

The product movement of Petrochemicals from Kochi Refinery has been envisaged both through tank lorry trucks and drums. Four assembly lines with 'state of the art' fully automated robotic drum filling machines supplied by M/s. AiCROV, Spain installed at the ultra-modern Drum Filling Facility at the PDPP Complex will now ensure safe and accurate product filling.

Each robotic filling machine line has a capacity to fill 90 drums per hour through a set of 4 robots and all the products being produced at PDPP can be filled in packed drums through this facility. The robots work in close co-ordination with each other. The first robot de-caps the empty drums followed by two robots that simultaneously fill a pallet consisting of four drums each and the last robot caps the cylinders. An automatic labelling facility to print all the details of the product, batch numbers is also provided in each line.

PECTHEM products are filled in high quality HDPE drums. The robotic drum filling machines, loading and unloading facilities are designed to ensure minimum human interaction between products being handled, thus ensuring safety of people working in the drum filling plant apart from efficiency. Additionally, for managing the drums, there are four battery operated eco-friendly forklifts to place the empty drums on the feed conveyor and remove the filled drums from the out-coming conveyor.

Mr. S Sriram, CGM (E&AS) welcomed the august gathering and explained the salient features of the Automated Robotic Drum Filling plant. This facility was installed by the PDPP Project Team led by CGM (E&AS) and the members include M/s K.Ravi (GM), Thomas Abraham, George Simon, Arjun Chandran, Praveen Kumar, Sohil Sheth and T. Amon. The commissioning team comprised of M/s A Mahendiran (GM), V. Ramalingam and B. Arun Kumar.

After commissioning the facility, Dir(Fin) also witnessed the entire operation and process of drum filling for the product N-Butanol. This facility will be a big support for the I&C SBU to market Petchem products in the packed form. Director Mr. VRK Gupta, also visited the 20 Kg/hr SAP Pilot Plant that is operating in the same complex. Mr. Gupta also interacted with the young panel engineers at the PDPP control room during his tour of the PDPP facility that was recently dedicated to the Nation by the Hon Prime Minister of India. He evinced keen interest in each of the operations at the complex and expressed that further value addition to the PDPP complex should be the way forward.





EVERY SAPLING FOR OUR ONLY ONE EARTH

**"This planet is our only home
It is vital we safeguard the
health of its atmosphere, the
richness and diversity of life
on Earth, its ecosystems and
its finite resources. But we
are failing to do so. We are
asking too much of our planet
to maintain ways of life that
are unsustainable. Earth's
natural systems cannot keep
up with our demands."**

- António Guterres, UN
Secretary-General

Kochi Refinery celebrated our planet Earth during the World Environment Week from 3 to 9 June 2022. More than 1000 trees were planted by employees across the refinery. The newly developed pond area was renamed *Amrutha Sarass* and the numerous other initiatives and butterfly parks projects echo Kochi Refinery's effort to sustain green development and also conserving the water resources.

Mr. Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director, Kochi Refinery inaugurated the "Jaca Orchards" fruit park near temple pond at IREP area in the presence of Mr. Chacko M Jose, CGM (Operations) and other senior executives marking the launch of the World Environment Week programme on 03 June 2022.

This Jaca park will be developed with different varieties of Jack Fruits. Earlier in his message to Kochrefiners he shared that the **World Environment Day 2022** campaign **ONLY ONE EARTH** calls for collective and transformative action on a global scale to celebrate, protect and restore our planet. He also urged that on the occasion of World Environment Day, we have to pledge towards Net Zero 2040 and sustainability not only for our organization but also for our planet.

On 03 June 2022, Ms. Geeta Iyer, CGM (Finance) planted the first sapling at one of the greening drives near Outlet A and Dr. Jayaraman C, Managing Director, EQUINOCT facilitated the Only One Earth lecture where he stressed that our planet demands climate action and we have to act now. Meanwhile, the webinar on "Hazardous waste management" was handled by Mr. Krishnan Nampoothiri, former General Manager of Kerala Enviro Infrastructure Limited (KEIL), a facility established on the directive of the Supreme Court Monitoring Committee on hazardous waste for treatment and disposal of hazardous waste generated from industries in the State of Kerala. Govt. of Kerala had appointed the Kerala State Industrial Development Corporation (KSIDC) as nodal agency for setting up a Common Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility (CHWTSDF) for management of hazardous waste in the State of Kerala.





More sapling planting drives were inaugurated by Mr. Sanjay Mehrishi, CGM (IS), Mr. Chacko M Jose, CGM (Operations) and Mr. S Sriram, CGM (Engg & Advisory services) during the week. Again on 08 June 2022, women officials of Kochi Refinery led by Ms. Sarah Thomas, CGM(HR) joined the greening drive for planting more saplings to the earth. CGM(HR) planted the first sapling near the Rock Garden coming up at the Refinery. The team also visited the much loved Eco-Park, where they joined hands and pledged to protect our one and Only One Earth. Many of them were visibly surprised to see such a green and beautiful spot inside the refinery. They cherished the beautiful moments they spent at the Eco Park amidst the soothing sound of the chirping of the birds.

On the last day, 09 June 2022, young environment champions of CR School joined the greening drive with Kochi Refinery. They planted saplings in the school campus at Vandipetta after the drive was inaugurated by CRS Principal Ms. Mala B Menon. In BajaoGreen a musical show for employees and family members of Kochi Refinery initiated by the house-journal JwalaDhwani, the musical dedication by Pradyumn Ravi, s/o of Mr. K Ravi, GM(Projects) was broadcast on Kochi Refinery YouTube channel 05 June 2022. (Logon to YouTube [@BPCLKROnline](#) to enjoy the music). The activities of the Environment Week was anchored by the HSE team led by Mr. MK Ramachandran, GM(HSE) and ably supported by Maintenance and HR teams with active participation from all departments. The events were reported on KR social media (www.facebook.com/BPCLKochiRefinery and <https://twitter.com/KochiRefinery>) at regular intervals to be part of the national and international online conversations on caring for the Only One Earth this World Environment Day 2022.





INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA 2022 AT KOCHI REFINERY

The **8th International Day of Yoga** was celebrated across Kochi Refinery, both Staff Quarters, CISF Quarters and CR School. The theme of Yoga Day 2022 celebrations is "Yoga for Humanity".

On 21 June 2022, Mr. Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) led the Yoga Demonstration organised at the Main Control Room of Kochi Refinery. Management Committee Members participated in the yoga session here from 8:00 am. Earlier, yoga sessions were conducted for employees across the Refinery at the Main Fire Station as well as the two staff quarters on 18 June 2022.

Similar sessions were also organised at the CISF quarters and the CR School on the same day so that more members of the Kochi Refinery fraternity could join the international campaign to be a part of the **global movement for health and wellness through Yoga**, led by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. A short video with the glimpses of the event right from the first run-up programme on 03 May 2022 to the Yoga demo at the Main Control Room on 21 June 2022 was published on Kochi Refinery digital TVs and Social Media on Twitter, Facebook and YouTube on Yoga Day 2022. The programmes conducted across locations were anchored by the HR team in association with HSE and Maintenance Depts.





TEAM KR PDDP CELEBRATES THE 100% LANDMARK

The Acrylic Acid unit of BPCL's Propylene Derivative Petrochemical complex (PDPP) at Kochi Refinery has achieved a milestone of 100 percent design capacity run on 22 June 2022. With this, all units of the PDPP complex (Acrylic acid unit- 160 KTPA, OXO Alcohol- 212 KTPA and Acrylate unit – 190 KTPA) are geared up for operating at 100% of their design capacity and more. This achievement will help in saving valuable foreign exchange for our nation as these products are majorly imported.

A jubilant PDPP team shared their joy over a short and sweet ceremony attended by all team members at the PDPP office on 23 June 2022. Mr. Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) congratulated the team on the milestone that was crossed late evening on 22 June 2022. Hon'ble Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi had dedicated the Propylene Derivatives Petrochemical Complex at Kochi Refinery on 14 February 2021.

The capital cost for setting up the Complex was approximately Rs.6000 Crore. The PDPP at Kochi Refinery was conceived, installed and dedicated to the Nation to ensure huge savings on imports for the Nation. This milestone of achieving full design capacity that we have now crossed will go down as a very sweet moment for BPCL, as it accelerates the BPCL Petchem journey in full throttle.





INDUSTRIES MINISTER OF KERALA INAUGURATES BPCL HEALTH CARE PROGRAMME IN KOCHI



Hon'ble Minister for Industries Mr. P Rajeev inaugurates "Palliative Home Care for the Poor", a CSR initiative of BPCL in the presence of Mr. Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) , Dr. Junaid Rahman, former DMO & Additional Director of Health Services and Dr. Sajith John, District Programme Manager, National Health Mission in Kochi on 23 June 2022.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Ajith Kumar, ED(Kochi Refinery) shared that this initiative is one among the many health care schemes supported under CSR programmes by Kochi Refinery. The palliative home care is exclusively for the economically disadvantaged and completely bedridden patients living near the Refinery. The medical assistance and home-care are being extended in association with the Indian Medical Association (Kochi) and the NGO Kanivu.

BPCL has also sponsored two vehicles for the nurses and care-takers to reach homes at Kalamasserry, Eloor and other nearby Panchayats including Thiruvaniyoor and Vadavucode Puthencruz Grama Panchayat where the support is being extended. BPCL will extend support for a period of six months by when the programme would be self-sustainable, ED(KR) explained. The Hon'ble Minister flagged off the vehicle to mark the launch of the BPCL CSR initiative that will benefit over 500 palliative patients in the area.

NUTRITIOUS FIRST MEAL FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Mr. Chacko M Jose, Chief General Manager (Operations), #BPCL #KochiRefinery and Ms. Sonia Murukesan, President, Vadavucode Puthencruz Grama Panchayat inaugurated the First Meal Scheme by #BharatPetroleum for the academic year 2022-23 at Government LP School, Vadavucode at a function presided over by Mr. KK Ashok Kumar, Vice President, VP Grama Panchayat.

The scheme is supported by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited in all the eight Government and Government Aided schools and the Buds Rehabilitation centre in Vadavucode Puthencruz Grama Panchayat as part of its Enterprise Social Commitment initiatives associated with the PDPP project. M/s Suresh T Gopan, Headmaster, Government LP School, Aby, PTA President, PT Ajith, PTA member, Ward members Subhimol and Sajitha Pradeep, Vineeth M Varghese, CM(PR & CSR), KR were also present. The support is for schools in the neighbourhood of the Refinery and its Shore Tank Farm at Puthuvypeen. More than ten thousand students benefits from the annual scheme initiated by BPCL in 2017.



CONGRATS ON CROSSING YOUR CAREER MILESTONES

35 years

Sivakumar KV
OM&SRobin TV
P&UAjai KS
P&U

25 years

Paul T Thomas
P&USibychan TD
MfgDileep Kumar MT
P&UVivek George
MfgSiju KM
MfgSony George
MfgBiju KA
CPO(KR)Aji MG
MfgSujith KS
Mfg

15 years

Sreekumar MN
QCPradosh AB
QC

SUPERANNUATION

BEST WISHES TO OUR COLLEAGUES
SUPERANNUATING THIS MONTH

Jose K J
joined Security
Department in
1999 and is retiring
from CPO (KR)Abdul Nazar V K
joined the Mfg
Dept in 1984 and
is retiring now
from HSE DeptMoosakutty V S
joined Security
Department in
1997 and is retiring
from HSE Dept.

WISH KOCHIREFINERS
CELEBRATING THEIR SPECIAL
DAY IN JULY 2022.

LOG ON TO KR SOCIAL MEDIA
TO WISH OUR TEAM MATES
DAILY ON FACEBOOK AND
TWITTER. CLICK ON CAKE TO
VIEW ON YOUTUBE

Vijayakumar P
joined the Lab Dept
in 1984 and is
retiring from
Manufacturing.Suresh Kumar V
joined the Technical
Services Dept in
1996 and is retiring
from CPO(KR)Prabhakaran K P
joined P&A Dept in
1988 and is retiring
from OM&S
departmentSankaranarayanan P
joined the S&OM
Dept in 1992 and
is retiring from
the P&U DeptJayaprakash K
joined P&A Dept in
1988 and is retiring
from Maintenance
departmentJoseph Dcruz
joined P&A Dept
in 1988 and is
retiring from
CPO(KR)

SRIKANTH #81818, CALLS IT A DAY

Srikanth S joined erstwhile Cochin Refineries as a trainee in 1987 and had been in the Fire and Safety for nearly two decades since. He is thankful to the company for giving him many opportunities to hone his skills by being a part of P&CS, L&D, Projects, Shift Administration, Contract Safety and Vigilance, spanning 35 years of his career.

Srikanth identifies himself as a team player, over the years he contributed to enrich the Fire training sessions, L&D trainings, IREP construction and contract safety. In this long journey he made many friends and well-wishers, whose company he will long for in the days ahead.



Professionally and personally, he is a contended man. He says he has many precious memories to cherish for long time to come. He is grateful to Almighty God, BPCL and fellow colleagues of past and present for providing him with numerous experiences. His wife, Shailaja is a homemaker with a stint as a teacher. His daughter Shravani completed her MBA from Symbiosis International University and is now working with a private firm Srikanth's interests include watching sports and travelling. Post retirement he plans to pursue these hobbies even more passionately and tick off items from his bucket list.

He conveys best wishes to all colleagues and the Corporation, for a bright future. He strongly believes that the Corporation will scale many milestones and meets the energy needs of our society. *JwalaDhwani* wishes Srikanth and family safe, healthy and happy days ahead.

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ALL ROUNDER CHERIAN BIDS ADIEU

Cherian Jacob joined in the Maintenance Dept in October 1982 as a young Refinery Trainee and he was absorbed as an employee in February 1983. A decade later, he was selected as management trainee after he completed his graduation from Government College of Engineering, Thrissur. He was posted as Engineer in the Maintenance Dept for a year.

Soon, Cherian moved to the Marketing Development Cell of KR in 2004 and worked with the OM&S team post merger of Kochi Refinery with BPCL up to 2007. He also had a short stint on deputation to BORL for the commissioning of its captive power plant in 2010. He further worked with E&C and Maintenance from where he now bids adieu as Chief Manager.

Cherian was a member of CRL's first volleyball team that participated in many PSCB tournaments from 1986 onwards. It continued till Refinery recruited professional players. He was an office bearer of the Adventure Sports Club, right from its inception and a Director board member of the employees' co-operative society. He had also served as a managing committee member of CR club and as committee member of Petro House. He was actively involved in all activities of CROA like SPANDANAM, sports meet, flood relief work and food support to Maradu Municipality during Lockdown and more.

"When I look back at the 39 years and five months as an employee of this great organisation, it gives me immense satisfaction. I sincerely thank all my seniors, colleagues, CR school teachers and staff, canteen staff and the society staff for your valuable contribution in making my life easy and happy," Cherian said beaming with pride and gratitude. My wife Christa is a homemaker and son Jacob is working with M/s Angle point, Bangalore after his B Tech from BITS Pilani, Goa and my daughter Elizabeth is pursuing her PhD in English Literature at EFLU, Hyderabad. My family joins me in wishing all of you a safe and successful future. *JwalaDhwani* wishes Cherian Jacob and his family many years of healthy and happy togetherness.

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VIJAYAKRISHNAN

BIDS ADIEU

Vijayakrshan N, joined the security department in 1998 after his 15 year stint in the Indian Army. After 11 years he was transferred to the P&CS Dept, the current CPO(KR) from where he superannuates. He particularly liked his stint at the CPO, where he could learn many new things and develop contacts inside and outside the company.

He shares, "After a period of 24 years in Kochi Refinery, it is time to say goodbye to all of you with happiness and satisfaction. With a very happy heart, I recollect the help, support, co-operation and guidance extended to me by this great company and all my dear colleagues and superiors."



Vijayakrshan's wife Dhanasree, is a home maker. They are blessed with two daughters. The elder one Pavithra, did her MS in CS from Aalto University, Finland and is married to Dr. Sreyas Seshadri, working as Research Engineer in Apple Inc, USA. The second daughter, Lavanya, completed her B.Tech (EC) and is working as a Software Engineer at Cochin.

He takes this opportunity to thank the Teachers and non-teaching staff of CR School & Management for providing excellent education to his children. He also thanks all the staff and members of Canteen, Credit Society and Medical Centre. Post retirement Vijayakrshan would like to spend for travelling a few places and settling at his native place Palakkad. *JwalaDhwani* wishes him and family good health and peace.

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BABU PP SAYS GOODBYE

Babu PP joined the erstwhile Cochin Refineries Limited in June 2001 in the Security Section after his 15 years of service in the Indian Air Force. In 2009 he was transferred to P&CS Dept (now CPO).

In CPO he worked in all most all the Job groups of Procurement, Service and Warehouse. Babu feels that the opportunity to learn and work in SAP was a great experience.

Babu is indebted to all his colleagues, seniors and superiors for the love and affection, support and guidance he had through out his service in KR. He would like to thank the teachers of CR School for providing excellent education to his children. He also thanks all the staff and members of Canteen, Credit Society, Medical Centre for the kind support. He is thankful to the almighty and his parents and most importantly the Indian Air Force, who gave him the confidence and courage to live in this society.



Babu's wife Sarada retired from State Government service. They are blessed with a son and a daughter. Their son Shishir completed his MBA and is married to Minu, an Engineer and they have settled in Canada. The daughter Sruthy Babu after completing her MBA she is working in Federal Bank at Kochi. She is married to Jith who is an MTech, Mechanical Engineer and is pursuing his MS in Canada.

Babu says, "Retirement is an inevitable procedure which doesn't make much difference in life but gives us the best time to move on as a free bird." Post retirement he looks forward to giving wings to their family business *Royal Enfield Bullet Studio* at Seaport- Airport Road, Irumpuram North and settle down in Tripunithura. *JwalaDhwani* wishes him and family, the very best for a healthy and happy future.

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CR SCHOOL REOPENS

Cochin Refineries School welcomed the students to the new academic year -2022-23 on 31 May with great pomp and show after a span of two years due to pandemic. The BAY -FEST- (Beginning of Academic year) celebrations ensured that the students received a warm welcome.

Principal Ms. Mala B Menon welcomed the gathering. Vice Principal Ms. Premalatha Shaji offered felicitations. The function was graced by the School Board Chairman Mr. Kurian P Alappat, then (CGM-HR) i/c, Ms. Sarah Thomas then CGM(ER), School Board Member Mr. Sathyan V, GM (Advisory Services), School Coordinator Mr. Dinesh SB, Manager(HRD), Primary HOD Ms. Nalini.N and the PTA President Mr. Ajith Kumar. As part of the festivities, the School Board Chairman Mr. Kurian P Alappat released the balloons. Bay-Fest for class 11 was organised on 8 June 2022. The highlight of the day was the launch of Humanities stream in CRS. Mr Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director (KR) and Ms Sarah Thomas, CGM HR, Kochi Refinery were the chief guests of the day.



LOVE GREEN

CLUB ADDS NEW PROGRAMMES ON WED 2022

The activities of the *Love Green Club*, the environment club of CRS began with the celebration of World Environment Day on 6 June 2022. The celebration was envisioned to create awareness among students on the importance of harmonious coexistence with the other living things. The theme this year was 'only one Earth' focussing on 'living sustainably in harmony with nature'. The Vice Principal, Mrs Premalatha Shaji handed over the saplings to student representatives. New projects and initiatives announced by Love green club coordinator Anju K includes "My tree on birthdays", vegetable patch for each class, butterfly garden, ornamental plants , herbal garden and plastend.



As part of the CR School greening drive, Mr. Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director (KR) and Ms Sarah Thomas, CGM (HR) & Chairperson, CR School Board planted saplings on 8 June, 2022.



NCC ARMY WING IN CRS

The selection for the new batch of CRS NCC 2022–24 ARMY WING Junior division was held in CRS Campus on 13th June, 2022. Permanent Instructors from 22(K) BN NCC, ELOOR conducted the selection. 61 Students from Classes VIII and IX attended the interview. This year, 22 Students have been successfully enrolled to the new batch of NCC. (JD 12/ JW 10).

BRIGHT & COLOURFUL

As part of School beautification project under the guidance of Mr Sunil, Art Teacher, classes 8 and 9 decorated the walls of the school.



YOGA FOR HUMANITY



CR School participated in the International Day of Yoga with sessions for different segments of students on 21 June 2022. For the primary school the yoga session was conducted by the Department of Physical Education under the guidance of CRS Yoga Instructor Mrs. Kanchana Chandran.

TINY TOTS BACK TO SCHOOL

With tears rolling down the cheeks and eyes brimming with wonder, KG students stepped into the portals of CRS on 6 June 2022. The decorated corridors lured young learners to the world of books and pencils. Principal Mala B Menon, Vice Principal Premlatha Shaji, and the PTA President Ajith Kumar spoke on the occasion.





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QUIT SINGLE USE PLASTICS

While a plastic item may only be useful to us for minutes, it takes decades to break down in the ocean. Have a look at the time it takes to disintegrate for simple things that we use daily:



Plastic toothbrush:
500 years to break down.



Plastic bottles:
450 years to break down.



Plastic straws:
200 years to break down.



Coffee cups:
30 years to break down.



Plastic bag:
20 years to break down.



Information Source: <https://www.wwf.org.au/news/blogs/the-lifecycle-of-plastics>

