

LEGISLATION FOR COMBATING SINGLE-USE PLASTIC POLLUTION

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Toxic Plastic Waste Trade

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Waste import is prohibited in Bangladesh as per the import policy. However, huge transboundary movements and illegal trading is happening. It was found that, around 1.2 million tons of plastic waste were shipped to Bangladesh in 3 years from the United States and UK. Malaysian authorities sent back a total of 150 containers imported from 13 countries including Bangladesh as the consignment had non-recyclable plastic.

In a press briefing ESDO unveil its recent study on Toxic plastic waste: situation of disposal, management and trade of Bangladesh.

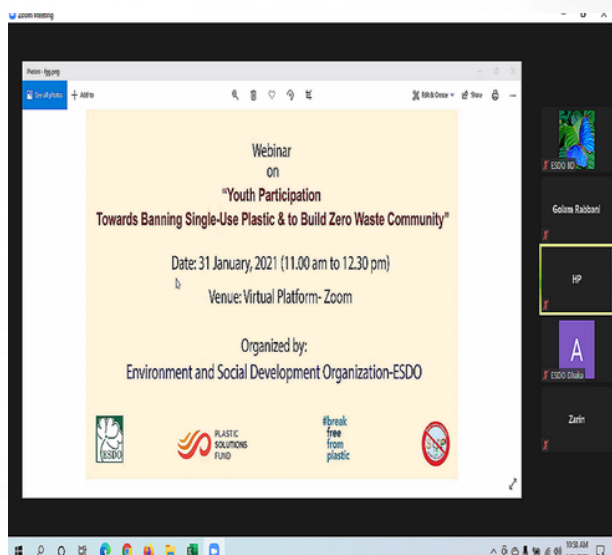
To release this study finding, ESDO, in collaborated with IPEN organized a media briefing on 11th February, 2021 at ESDO head head office and also on online platform Zoom.



Honorable Chairman of ESDO and Former Secretary of Government of Bangladesh, Syed Marghub Murshed Sir, Technical Advisor of ESDO and Former Additional IGP of Bangladesh Police, Md. Makhlesur Rahman sir, IPEN South Asian Hub Coordinator, Tripti Arora madam, Secretary General of ESDO, Dr. Shahriar Hossain, Executive Director of ESDO, Siddika Sultana madam along with our journalist friends and ESDO team were present at the event.

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Environmental Youth Awareness

Enthusiastic Youth demands an eco-friendly pathway!

ESDO in association with Plastic Solution Fund-PSF has organized a Webinar on “Developing Environmental Awareness and Eco-Friendly Behavior” on 31st January 2021. The session aimed to encourage youth for initiating responsiveness for abandoning the use of Single Plastic to support zero waste community.

With this initiative, ESDO targeted to find out some promising environmental defenders (Institution-based or organization based) to contribute to the environment and establish a Green Club in their respective area in association with ESDO in near future.

Many Participants from different institutions such as; Daffodil University, Jagannath University, College of Home Economics, Dhaka University, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology etc. has shared their experiences and suggested a remarkable pathway for building eco-friendly behaviour among peoples. This zoom meeting was also attended by Dr. Shahriar Hossian, Secretary-General of ESDO, and Siddika Sultana, Executive Director of ESDO. There was an open discussion session as well where all the young representatives have shared their opinions and knowledge on how to reduce the use of plastic and how we can together work for sustainable living.

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Mobile Campaign

Youth Involvement

Awareness



Mobile Campaign in front of
National Parliament



Youth Involvement during
the campaign

Mobile Campaign on Building Toxic Plastic Free Environment in Bangladesh

Safeguard the Environment from the Hazardous Effects of Single-Use Plastic

To make the people aware of the hazardous effects of toxic plastic, Environment and Social Development Organization- ESDO had arranged a day-long mobile campaign on “Building Toxic Plastic Free Environment in Bangladesh” on 14th February 2021 in some distinct places of Dhaka city. The campaign had started from TSC, the University of Dhaka at 10 am. Dividing into some groups, team members of ESDO gathered public opinions about the effects of plastic and collected their signatures through this campaign. Most of the people had appreciated this initiative taken by ESDO and expressed their concern over the harmful consequences of plastic waste on the environment. They appealed to the government to stop the production of plastic immediately and make its alternative products readily available to the mass people. The spontaneous participation of the people in this day-long mobile campaign was very significant. More than five hundred people signed in solidarity with the campaign. Starting from TSC, the campaign passed through New Market, Shimanto Square, Rabindra Sarobar and finally ended up at the Parliament House at 4:30 pm.



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