

World No Tobacco Day-Key messages

Throughout its lifecycle, tobacco pollutes the planet and damages the health of all people.



600,000,000 Trees chopped down to make cigrattes



84,000,000 Tons of CO2 Emissions are released into the air raising global temperatures



22,000,000,000 Liters of water used to make cigrattes

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The tobacco industry's negative impact on the environment is extensive and expanding, inflicting added burden on our planet's already limited resources and vulnerable ecosystems. Through the cultivation, production, distribution, consumption, and post-consumer waste, tobacco kills nearly 8 million people per year and damages our ecosystem, further damaging human health.

Tobacco has negative environmental consequences	Tobacco companies must clean up their act	To rescue our planet, give up tobacco	Assist tobacco growers in switching to more sustainable crops.
Tobacco production, manu- facture, and consumption pollute our water, land, coast- lines, and roadways with chemicals, hazardous waste, cigarette butts, containing microplastics, and e-cigarette waste. Don't be mislead by the tobacco industry's attempt to divert attention away from its environmental damages by greenwashing its goods by donating to sustainability initiatives and reporting on environmental "standards" they frequently set for themselves.	The tobacco industry profits from environmental degradation and must be held liable for the waste and damages, including the expense of collection.	Tobacco smoke comprises three types of greenhouse gases and contributes to greater levels of air pollution.	To lessen the environmental impact of tobacco cultivation, curing, and manufacturing, governments and policymakers should assist tobacco farmers in switching to alternate, more sustainable livelihoods while continuing to pursue tobac- co control measures.

Ref: World Health Organization, Pan American Health Organization