

**Steps to undertake a World Water Day event w/
List of 2020 Coordinators**

1. Contact a few local people/students or other NGOs who are interested in protecting the Environment.
2. **Select one or More Activities –**
 - a. **Trash Cleanup from River bank or Pond/Lake – shoreline of a River or a Lake which can be accessed easily and has trash, plastics etc. that could make their way into the waters.** Could be a small area 100 meters or so which can be cleaned by the group in 2-3 hours.
 - b. **Arrange a Painting activity** on Rivers/Streams/Nature by School Children or Adults
 - c. **Arrange a 2-hour Discussion on the Status of Local Streams/Rivers/Lakes**
 - d. **Arrange a World Water Day March** with banner by College/Univ./School Students for Awareness
3. **Confirm the Date and Time in discussion with the key participants**
4. Talk to a local Municipality and make arrangements for them to collect the trash bags after cleanup, or arrange to deliver the trash bags by a pick-up truck or other transport to a nearby dumpster/dump site.
5. **Get a small banner/sign made, if possible, and display that at the site when conducting cleanup.**
6. On the Day of the event – **take a few pictures** of the site/event showing the trash/gathering/empty location/gearing up etc. **before** starting any of the events a, b, c, or d or any another. **And do the same at the end of the event to show before and after for cleanup activities, Groups with paintings in their hand for Painting etc.at the end of the event.**
7. **Take many pictures during the cleanup**, having participants in action, **and a group picture at the end.**
8. On a sign-up sheet get the name, email and phone numbers of the participants.
9. Record amount/and volume/weight of trash collected. Approximate weight per bags and number of bags collected should be fine. **Send a report with pictures to ROWFOUNDATION@GMAIL.COM within 4-6 weeks after the event. Your timely and accurate reports with high quality** will have a better advantage towards getting higher scores in **evaluation for the cash award.**
10. Have a Chai/snacks get-together with the participants and encourage them to follow up and disseminate the practice to their friends and family throughout the year. That should make a big difference.

Upload your Pictures at the Dropbox Link below. If problems please send an email to Subijoy@verizon.net :
<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/167bakkivwz4fol/AAAEtMx0jWW9aQqLj6f79Ctxa?dl=0>

Take a look at our website for one such event in 2013, which should provide a lot of information on conducting and reporting the event – link below:
<http://www.rowfoundation.org/content/row/2013WWD-Rishikesh.pdf>

Frequently asked Questions (FAQs)

Can we get a few badges for the Leaders/coordinators?

Yes, I have given a few badges to the main coordinators in the past. In case they are not available, please print the attached badge in a small/badge size and attach it on your shirt pocket or arm-side by a pin.

How many people should we get?

15-30 people should be fine, but less than that is okay too.



Should we contact or invite local newspaper? Do you want this event to be on paper or not ?

Sure, local Newspaper or media can be contacted. In the past I have sent special messages to the participants in a letter form (Agra), which was published in the local Newspaper and it got attention of many volunteers and they had a great turnout. You can arrange something similar. I can send the letter with a special message for your location/event if you need one.

Should we print T-shirts ? I have come across a logo in the website given by you.

You don't have to go for T-shirts, just print the Patches and give those to wear with safety-pins or clips

I am also planning to print few posters from the campaign materials from the UN website and give those to some student participants.

Coordinators and Volunteers (WWD 2020):

The Rivers of the World (ROW) Foundation (<http://rowfoundation.org>) is conducting trash cleanup and other awareness activities tentatively planned for the following sites. For exact timing, locations, and other information please contact the cleanup coordinators below.

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