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#### World Environment Day: Plants to beat indoor air pollution

On this World Environment Day, which will be observed on June 5, let's take a look at five indoor plants to bring that freshness to your home. From chrysanthemums to aloe vera, here are plants that will help get rid of indoor air pollution. Indoor plants are more than just adding greenery to your home. They help in purifying air in your home. Poor air quality can have both long and short-term effects like respiratory and heart disease, headache, fatigue, eye and throat problems. Hence, instead of taking risk, why not apply a simple way and opt to keep air-purifying plants at your home. People spend a lot of their time indoors and pollution can be created through any form — from furnishings, household cleaning products, inadequate ventilation, the release of volatile gases, dust, tobacco smoke, synthetic fragrances, deodorants, insecticides and pet danders.....[Read more...](#)

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#### Jai Ram Thakur launches Pollution Abating Plants Abhiyan

World Environment Day was an awakening call for individuals to take charge of protecting the environment and to realize the severity of plastic usage in daily life. This was stated by the Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur while presiding over the State level function to launch Pollution Abating Plants Abhiyan (PAPA) on the occasion of World Environment Day-2018 celebrated at Government Polytechnic College Sunder agar in Mandi district today. Earlier, the Chief Minister laid foundation stone of Guest House and of Mechanical Engineering Block Building in Government Polytechnic Sunder agar to be constructed at a cost of Rs. 1.50 crore and Rs 5.58 crore respectively. He said that World Environment Day was the "people's day" for doing something to take care of the Earth. He said that the World Environment Day should not be a ceremonial occasion,....[Read more...](#)

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#### Delhi Airport incorporates 35,000-strong 'plant army' to combat indoor air pollution

Air pollution is a serious issue but it is not only the outdoor air which has become toxic but the indoor air too which carries pollutants. In a bid to tackle indoor air pollution, Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport has placed almost 35,000 'air purifying' plants there. The plants incorporated across the premises of the Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport will not only eliminate indoor air pollution but also naturally moderate temperatures in a hot region like the national capital and prevent water wastage. The airport is using a mix of foliage and flowering trees to naturally purify the air. Also, these plants are surely uplifting the visual appeal of the airport. We are going to talk about the plant species that are used at the Delhi airport and there is no simple way to mention a plant type other than its scientific name. So it might sound a bit out of the .....[Read more...](#)

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#### India at bottom of 2018 global environment performance index

KOLKATA: Unable to improve its air quality, protect its biodiversity, and cut its greenhouse gas emissions, India – say all available data -- stands today at the bottom of the Global Environment Performance Index (EPI) rankings. In 2016, the country had ranked 141 out of 180 countries. In 2018, according to the just released State of India's Environment (SoE) 2018 in Figures, it has slipped to the 177th position. The SoE in Figures is an annual compendium of environmental statistics put together by Down To Earth magazine, which Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) helps publish. Said Sunita Narain, director general, CSE: "The State of India's Environment 2018 in Figures is a quantified statement on issues and concerns of environment and development – issues and concerns which affect us deeply. While our other annual State of India's Environment.....[Read more...](#)

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#### Environmental pollution affects the scent of flowers, explaining the decline of various plant species and insect populations

Waking up to the sweet smell of roses on your bedside table, and stepping into water with fragrant rose petals strewn all over the bathtub is sheer bliss. Sadly, these days could be a thing of the past, if we don't stop air pollution in its tracks. The flowers' fragrant language is in peril, no thanks to air pollution that turns the flowers' fragrant messages into gibberish. Well-known science writer Marta Zaraska says air pollution is not only making it harder for plants to survive, it's also making it difficult for pollinating insects to tell the difference between plants by the unique fragrances they emit. Zaraska says plants communicate among themselves through.....[Read more...](#)

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