



Earth Day

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MAA Earth Day initiative

- *What is Earth Day?*
- *Why is it Important?*
- *How do we get involved?*

What

- *Started in 1970*
- *To broaden and Diversify the Environmental movement worldwide*
- *To Build a healthy, and sustainable environment*
- *To protect the Earth for future generations*

Why

- *Environmental problems are real*
- *The Environment belongs to all mankind*
- *Atfal should contribute towards building a healthy and sustainable environment*

Why

- Many verses in the Holy Quran about the planet and Natural resources
- The Holy Quran States
“....And we produce therewith gardens of grapes, and the olive and the pomegranate—like and unlike. Look at the fruit thereof when it bears fruit, and the ripening thereof. Surely, in this are Signs for a people who believe” (6:100)
- Allah created the beautiful plant for us, and as Muslims we should take care of this precious gift

Why

- The Holy Prophet (SAW) was a champion of environmental protection
- His concerns for the environment, and efforts to protect it are narrated in several hadiths
- He (SAW) was actively involved in environmental preservation activities as a child
- Atfal should continue with His sunnah

Why

➤ The Holy Prophet (SAW) said planting a tree is a form of Sadaqah (Charity)

“If any Muslim plants any plant and a human being or an animal eats of it, he will be rewarded as if he had given that much in charity “ (Sahih Bukhari)

Why

➤ The Holy Prophet (SAW) said

“If the Hour is about to be established and one of you was holding a palm shoot, let him take advantage of even one second before the Hour is established to plant it” (Ahmad Ibn Hambal and Al-Bukhan)

“Whoever plants a tree and it matures; Allah plants a tree in paradise for that person” (Ahmad Ibn Hambal)

Why

- *Our Beloved Huzoor (aba) has been involved in planting trees during his trips around the world*



How

- *Tree planting is an effective way to protect the environment*
 - ✓ *Food for animals*
 - ✓ *Shelter*
 - ✓ *Air purification*
- *Qaideen and Local Nazimeen (MAA/MKA) to coordinate tree planting event*
- *Partner with local organization in your area*

How

➤ April Atfal Day: Few ideas

- ✓ Offsite tree planting event
- ✓ Plant trees or flowers around the Mosque
- ✓ Atfal Trip to a Botanical garden