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National Policy Workshop Webinar on Countermeasures for Riverine and Marine Plastic Litter in India during 12-22 May 2020

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National Productivity Council and UN environment programme is organizing a National Policy Workshop Webinar to develop a roadmap to countermeasure the riverine and marine plastic litters in India from 12 to 22 May, 2020.

Date wise Schedule of Webinar Technical Sessions:

- 1. 12 May 2020:** Science & Technology of plastics and Technique/best practices of plastics pollution assessment and investigation.
- 2. 14 May 2020:** Community perception and behavioral aspects to promote plasticity and counter measurement to address plastic litter.
- 3. 16 May 2020:** Activities and best practices for combating plastic waste by sustainable waste management and circularity.
- 4. 18 May 2020:** Evaluation of the impact of plastic pollution on natural capital and river and marine ecosystems requires policy intervention.
- 5. 20 May 2020:** Impact of COVID-19 on plastic waste production (use of PPE and waste from HCF) and upcoming challenges.
- 6. 22 May 2020:** Scenarios to counter plastic litter by overcoming barriers and identifying enabling measures.

The webinar workshop will help enhancing community participation by instilling behavior change and development of a sustainable waste management system to minimize plastic waste and littering in Indian conditions. The workshop would also help in improving the understanding of economic implications including econometric tools for assessment of the impact of plastic waste on the riverine and marine ecosystem in the Indian context.