

“Celebrating Dusshera & Diwali the Swachh Bharat Way”

(Collective Inputs from 335,000 strong Swachh Bharat Circle)

1. Use of loudspeakers should be prohibited after 10 pm in colonies
2. During the immersion of goddess Durga idol, the Pooja material and flowers etc. should not be immersed
3. All paints and rangolis used should be herbal and eco friendly
4. Ravan Dahans with crackers should be minimized and replaced with something that helps teach values to kids
5. Dustbins must be placed where social gathering with food are happening for Dusshera
6. Large community Ravan Dahans organized in grounds should have enough dustbins and portable toilets in place.
7. All food vendors in Dusshera & Diwali mela events must keep/carry a dustbin
8. Burning crackers on Diwali should be reduced to a minimum and crackers with low sound and smoke should be used
9. If it has to be done, then the societies should earmark a few places to burst cracker to minimise waste being littered all over
10. Only a 3 to 4 hour window should be given to burst crackers
11. Bursting of crackers could be centralised at a nearby open ground, where all can assemble and enjoy
12. Highly toxic chinese crackers should be completely boycotted
13. People should ensure that the waste of fire crackers is collected at a point near the house instead of being strewn all over the roads
14. People should clean the area in front of their houses every night and put the garbage in front of their houses in a bag for the municipality workers to collect
15. The waste material from the house cleaning drive and white wash work should be discarded properly in the big colony garbage dustbin
16. Everyone should keep a dustbin inside and outside their houses
17. Shops in markets must burn crackers responsibly and not litter in front of their shop
18. Organizers of festivals processions on public roads must be made to ensure that they clean up after the event
19. Swachh Bharat community volunteers could be appointed to keep the area around the Pooja Pandals and Community Events clean
20. The organising committees should see to it that the waste paper plates, cups etc. are collected at designated areas in dustbins and disposed of in a proper way.
21. Urban Local Bodies must play an active role in disseminating this information and enforcing it at community grounds, neighbourhood and markets.