

I am filled with righteous indignation as I am shocked at the environmental damage posed by the usage of single-use plastics. Once pristine and clear lakes have been repulsively transformed into stinking landfills of rotting plastic, as the water turns into a pukish shade of arugula green. Advanced, technological cities are no more than filthy slums infiltrated with sullied plastic pollution, as bustling citizens cough with disgust at the trash that is quickly mounting into a foetid garbage mountain. Moreover, microplastics are a huge problem, along with destroying our biodiversity, ranging from terrestrial and oceanic species. Also, plastic bags are toxic and release deadly chemicals which can be ingested by humans. These detrimental problems that we face now is a clarion call to ban all single use plastics. It is our moral duty to clean this ethical stain on our society.

Microplastics are almost invisible fragments of degraded plastics and it can pose deadly threats for humans if we ingest it. Microplastics are basically everywhere, and have infiltrated perhaps the most hygienic of areas. For example, microplastics have even been found in large amounts in forest air, while it is common in sea life and on land. Additionally, scientists have confirmed that when you inhale pieces of microplastics, infinitely damaging cells and inflaming immune reactions. When this lasts for a long time it can pave the way for serious health issues. Picture, dying feebly on your iron hospital deathbed, choking on the harmful wrath of tiny plastic shards.

Plastic waste also kills many of our beautiful animals by poisoning waterways and land. Animals have a tendency to ingest plastics, which would trigger illnesses which would lead to a painful death. Also, plastic wastage can trap animals, leaving them to slowly waste to their own deaths. For example, turtles can get trapped in seemingly-harmless can holders, causing them to painfully choke and eventually killing them. This is diminishing our natural ecosystems as many animals are slowly dying due to plastic waste.

Plastic waste leaks toxins into our environment. For example, plastic contains massive amounts of heavy metals, dioxins which are extremely harmful for health if consumed. By utilising plastic straws, we are basically sucking in toxic barrels of dirty water. Likewise, whenever you are using plastic bags for groceries, you are innocently carrying your food in what is made of inhumane chemicals. A scientific study confirms that chemicals in plastic can render a lot of damage to the human body, such as imposing diseases and long term dysfunctions.

But there is a solution to solve this problem - banning single-use plastics and turning to recyclables. Simple and reliable solutions can save our world from the treacherous problems of plastic waste. These methods could consist of reusable bags, water bottles, and metal straws which could be repeatedly reused. They are not only more sustainable, but also more convenient and cost-effective. By utilising these simple options, we can significantly reduce our environmental impact and protect the planet for future generations. Banning these items is a necessary step towards protecting the planet and ensuring a healthy future for all.