





## 24 HOURS OF REALITY: LET'S GET REAL



30<sup>th</sup> October 2021

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER** 

11:00 am to 12:30 pm (IST)

Chitkara International School, Udyog Path, Sector 25, Chandigarh



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#### **BACKGROUND**

Empty promises and corporate green washing have allowed the climate crisis to worsen, bringing on extreme weather, from flooding rains to record droughts. Even half-measure commitments have gone unmet, putting us on the short path to a disastrous future. Our chance to avert the most dramatic temperature increases is rapidly disappearing. Enough is enough.

For 24 hours on October 29, former US Vice President Al Gore and Climate Reality Leader activists around the world will lead a Global Day of Action, demanding the real policy change required to cut fossil fuel emissions and transition to a just clean-energy economy. The goal of this day of action is for people around the world - people like you - to join in and make their voices heard. If you care about the climate crisis and haven't spoken out yet, this is your chance.

#### CALL TO ACTION TO OUR LEADERS

Time to protect the future!

India has more than 285 million students in schools and higher learning institutions who will be facing the full-blown impacts of Climate Change!

The Climate Reality Project India is calling out all its Climate Reality Leaders to JOIN US ON 29TH OCTOBER TO ENGAGE THE INSTITUTIONS IN THEIR CIRCLE OF INFLUENCE TO JOIN OUR GREEN CAMPUS PROGRAM and bring climate awareness to the youth and next generation by working closely with them. Reach out to your local educational institutions and engage them by presenting, writing, or speaking to teachers to turn their campus green and commit to a carbon free future!

**APSWDP** aligned with the objectives of **The Climate Reality Project India**, invites you to join us for a global day of action to demand our leaders enact the policies required to shift the course of climate change. The time is now, and only now.

**Source:** https://www.24hoursofreality.org/ https://www.climatereality.org.in/24-hours-of-reality.html

# PROGRAM/ DIALOGUE ON 24 HOURS OF REALITY: LET'S GET REAL

Aligned to the initiatives of The Climate Reality Project India, to demand real climate action, the Virtual Center of Excellence for Social Welfare Administration (VCoE-SWA), under the aegis of Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP) has conceived a Program/ Dialogue through hybrid mode (online and offline both) on "24 Hours of Reality: Let's Get Real"; in partnership with Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University and The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI) on 30th October, 2021 (Saturday) from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm (IST), with an aim to work together with academic institutions and organizations, government and communities, the private sector and all relevant stakeholders, for creating sustainable, carbon-neutral, inclusive cities and towns.

#### ABOUT COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS

#### Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners (APSWDP)

Association of Professional Social Workers & Development Practitioners (APSWDP) is a registered not for profit professional membership-based organization of professional social workers and development practitioners working in various social welfare domain across the country. APSWDP has been conferred Special Consultative Status with Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and affiliation with the Department of Global Communication (DGC) of United Nations since 2019. Social issues like poverty, livelihood, health, environment, education, water & sanitation, unemployment, disease control program, urbanization, youth issues of de-addiction, and others have covered the whole gamut of government, development agencies, and academic institutions.

The association focuses on creating a countrywide and global network of dedicated social work professionals and development practitioners from remote geographical rural areas, to discuss, debate, and develop a key framework on evidence & practice-based interventions, methods.

#### Chitkara College of Education, Chitkara University

Chitkara College of Education, is one of the most sought after B.Ed colleges in Chandigarh that trains aspiring teachers in the skills and knowledge required to take on the most challenging task of molding future generations. Since 2003, Chitkara College of Education has been paving the learning-rich path that future-teachers can tread on in preparation for pursuing successful and satisfying careers in the best educational institutes of the country.

Chitkara College of Education has been accredited by the National Council for Teacher Education as well as the State Government of Punjab. A variety of techniques are used as part of the curriculum to polish and groom teachers of the future. Aside from classroom sessions that build theoretical expertise, students are also exposed to the latest tech tools like Google Classrooms. Workshops on a variety of subjects are periodically conducted to ascertain that the most recent developments in the field of education reach their students. The program curators at Chitkara give special attention to the fact that hands-on training, especially in the teaching vocation, is a must.

Source: www.chitkara.edu.in/education

#### The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI)

Al Gore and TERI established The Climate Reality Project India (TCPI) in 2008. TCPI focuses on climate education and empowering communities to take climate actions and prioritize implementation of local climate solutions. The India branch supports more than 550-trained Climate Reality Leaders who are taking climate actions on the ground. TCPI has been consistently putting in efforts to strengthen India's NDCs to work elaborately in the domains of clean energy, water conservation (including rainwater harvesting) and supporting electric mobility. Climate Reality India works with the like-minded organizations, focusing on the thrust areas: Climate Education and building climate friendly schools/colleges campuses; tree & mangrove plantations to enhance livelihoods; rainwater harvesting to tackle water crises; and supporting clean energy and electric mobility.

Source: www.climatereality.org.in

#### **KEY OBJECTIVES**

The **key objectives** of the program are:

- Developing understanding of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with special focus on Environmental Goals.
- Confidence building and sensitizing youth, professionals, social workers, community about SDGs and climate change as the need of the hour.
- Exposure to understand various issues and solutions for building a green future together.
- Promoting Green Campus Practices to improve building efficiency, performance, health and well-being of the occupants.
- Sensitization and adopting the practice of 'Think Global and Act Local'.
- Promoting information sharing and exchange at the local and global level to work in cohesion effectively with climate protection led network.

#### MODE OF COMMUNICATION

The mode of communication for the virtual conference is English. However, the participants from regional background are also encouraged to join the conversation in their respective vernacular. APSWDP does not discriminate on the grounds of language. We believe in participation from across the lines. Our volunteers will felicitate the participants in case if they are not comfortable with the language.

#### TARGET AUDIENCE

- Health Program Manager
- Social Activist
- Development Practitioner
- Business Consultant
- Legal Practitioner
- Researcher
- Academician

- Corporate Sector Professional
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Entrepreneur
- Government
- Student
- Others

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