

Navratri and Durga Puja is celebrated with great splendour and vigour since time immemorial. Celebrates for nine long days and culminates with Vijaya Dashami (Dussehra) on tenth day. It is celebrated as the victory of good over evil.

With the festive season round the corner, celebrate with joy and prosperity, but do not forget to protect our environment. Celebrate with an eco-friendly way...

Tips to celebrate and follow an eco-friendly tradition:

- 1. Avoid loud speaker or noisy DJs:** Be a 'Concerned Citizen' and give a thought about the old neighbours and kids. Avoid using the loudspeaker.
- 2. Avoid use of firecrackers:** Firecrackers damage and pollute our environment. Releases harmful smoke/fumes which not only pollutes the air but also harms our health. Try to avoid crackers or use "Green crackers" - the less-polluting, less noisy crackers.
- 3. Eco-friendly decorations:** Go for reusable items and other natural degradable items including bamboo for decoration. Keep in mind that plastic and thermocol are harmful to the environment.
- 4. Energy saving lightings:** Save electricity, save money. Opt for the CFL,LED bulbs or other energy saving electrical products. Install Solar panel, store electricity.
- 5. Immersion of the idol:** Immerse the idol in a separate water container and use that water for plants rather immersing the idol in the nearby lake or sea.
- 6. Keep it trouble-free:** Celebrate Puja in a simple and environment-friendly way by taking care of the nitty-gritty of activities.
- 7. Composting:** Collect the used flowers and other organic products used in the Puja convert into compost for your garden.
- 8. Say no to chemical paints:** Painting the idols with natural colours (dyes from flowers or other products) is a better option. Avoid multiple colours or chemical paints.
- 9. Spread Awareness:** It's a great time to interact and meet with people. Campaign and convey messages of being eco-friendly.



10. **Use of biodegradable and recyclable products:** Use the reusable plates and other biodegradable plates for Prasad distribution.
11. **Use public transport:** Congestion of traffic during any festival is a common problem. Better to use the public transports or go for car pooling.
12. **Use bio-degradable idols:** Using the eco-friendly clay is the best step for an eco friendly movement.



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