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2025 WORLD ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DAY WORKPLAN: CLEAN AIR, HEALTHY PEOPLE

Objective 1: To promote awareness and action on the impact of clean air on public health, addressing air pollution, climate change, and respiratory diseases.

Objective 2: Through case studies, workshops, school activities, press and other mechanisms evidence the role of environmental health in improving air quality and protecting people's health.

Target Audience:

- General public
- Schools and universities
- Healthcare professionals
- Environmental organizations
- Government agencies
- Private sector and industry stakeholders

Key Messages:

- 1. Clean air is essential for good health and well-being.
- 2. Air pollution contributes to respiratory diseases, heart conditions, and climate change.
- 3. Everyone has a role to play in reducing air pollution and advocating for clean air policies.
- 4. Sustainable practices and policies can mitigate the effects of air pollution and improve people's health and wellbeing

Suggested Activities & Timeline: - Promoted and coordinated through National Governments, National Environmental Health Organisations and Universities

1. Pre-Event Activities (4-6 Weeks Before the Event)

- **Stakeholder Engagement:** Partner with Government agencies, Environmental groups, and Health organisations.
- Marketing & Promotion: Launch social media campaigns, develop posters, flyers, and press releases.
- Educational Materials: Prepare fact sheets, infographics, and videos on air quality and health.
- **Community Involvement:** Encourage schools and workplaces to participate in air quality awareness challenges.



2. World Environmental Health Day Events (September 26th)

Web / workshop Activities:

- **Opening Ceremony:** Welcome speech by environmental and health experts.
- **Panel Discussion:** Experts discuss the link between air pollution and health, including topics like asthma, lung cancer, and climate change.
- Air Quality Monitoring Demonstration: Live demonstration on how to measure air quality and interpret results.
- **Community Clean-Air Walk:** Engage participants in a symbolic walk or bike ride to promote pollution-free transport.
- Workshops & Exhibitions:
 - How to reduce indoor and outdoor air pollution.
 - o DIY home air purification methods.
 - o Policy advocacy and community action training.

Other Activities:

- **School Engagement:** Interactive activities for students, such as poster competitions and science experiments on air quality.
- **Documentary Screening:** Show a film on air pollution and its health effects, followed by a discussion.
- **Commitment Signing:** Encourage attendees to pledge actions for cleaner air (e.g., reducing car emissions, planting trees, minimizing waste burning).
- Closing Remarks & Awards: Recognize contributors and outstanding initiatives.

Post-Event Follow-Up (2-4 Weeks After the Event)

- Impact Assessment: Collect feedback from participants and stakeholders.
- **Continued Advocacy:** Share event highlights on IFEH social media and continue air quality awareness campaigns.
- Policy Recommendations: Submit findings and recommendations to policymakers and IFEH
- **Sustained Action Plan:** Develop a roadmap for ongoing community initiatives, such as clean energy advocacy, urban greening projects, and pollution reduction programs.

Expected Outcomes:

- Increased public awareness of the health impacts of air pollution.
- Greater community involvement in clean air initiatives.
- Strengthened partnerships between environmental and health sectors.
- Policy discussions on improving air quality and public health measures.

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