# The Eighth Asia and the Pacific 3R Citizens Forum Creating Sustainable and Healthy living at local communities

## Co-organizers:

The Asia 3R Citizens Network NGO (India)

Date: April 11, 2018 15:00-17:45 Venue: Brilliant Convention Centre, Indore, Madhya Pradesh, India

### Background:

As a result of rapid economic growth in Asia over recent years, wasteful lifestyles built upon "mass production, mass consumption and mass disposal" have become common. This has led to critical problems, including the global depletion of natural resources, the spread of environmental pollution, and global warming. We're all facing similar environmental problems in Asia and the Pacific.

Improving the well-being of present and future generations through the promotion of sustainable development, we, citizens living in Asia and the Pacific have to work together to achieve a sustainable society in cooperation with national government, municipalities, businesses and CSOs as well.

The Asia 3R Citizens Network was formally established in 2010 as the successful outcome of the First Asia 3R Citizens Forum in order to form a partnership with NGOs in Asia and the Pacific. Since then, we've been sharing ideas and good practices with each other. We've solved waste problems step by step with applying methods and technical skills we shared to each specific case in each county or community.

With support and cooperation of Ministry of Environment, Japan, we've carried out a training program for NGO staff from Asia and the Pacific to create a sustainable community focusing on practical method of composting and agriculture, environmental education and community leader capacity building to promote 3Rs. Those who participated this program from NGOs in Vietnam, Indonesia and Maldives have been a community leader in each country.

## **Objectives**:

1) Share good and sustainable practices in each country and each community to solve environmental issues at the international level and at the community level.

3) Discuss how we can create and strengthen citizens' network and make use of the network to achieve Zero Waste

4) Develop citizen-driven action plans to be done locally and globally

### Forum Schedule and Program (tentative)

14:45-15:00	Registration
15:00	Opening remarks (5 min each)
	Representative from Asia 3R Citizens Network
	Representative from NGO (India)
	Representative from Ministry of Environment, Japan
15:15	Theme Presentation (15min each)
	1) Reporting from NGO (India)
	e.g. Citizens challenge for clean water, clean land and clean air
	Zero waste to promote 3Rs / Environmental Education etc
	2) Local Food Cycling (Japan)
	Kitchen waste, Compost at home, Community garden and Healthy
	and Safe Vegetables
	3) Citizens Action to achieve Zero waste community for rubbish free
	and taintless water (Japan)
	4) Waste Management Practice in community (Maldives)
	Awareness and Engagement
16:15-16:30	Coffee Break
16:30-17:15	Group discussion
17:15-17:45	Overall Discussion
17:50	Closing

# Participants

NGOs and CSOs in Asia and the Pacific region University Students and Citizens groups from related fields