



## ST-GREEN

# ESSAY CONTEST

**Sakal Times** is happy to announce the Sakal Times-Green Essay contest. This essay contest is open to school children in classes IV-X (ages 8-15). The children will have to send a 200-word essay or short poem on the topic: **HOW CAN I KEEP MY CITY CLEAN AND GREEN**. The essay must have the child's name, class, name of school and picture, and should be sent to the following address:

- 1) VIA EMAIL to 'editor@sakaaltimes.com'
- 2) BY courier/post to Resident Editor, Sakal Times, 27, Narveer Tanaji Wadi, Opp. St. Francis School, Shivajinagar, Pune - 41005 in an envelope marked: "Essay Contest".

The essays will be published on this page with the child's picture.

**THREE BEST ESSAYS/POEMS WILL BE GIVEN PRIZES EACH MONTH**

All the best.

— Happy writing  
Resident Editor

## HOW I CAN KEEP MY CITY CLEAN AND GREEN



**W**hen it comes to talking about

the environment, everyone's a big bum-chum talk hummies and when it actually comes to doing something, the

same people turn around from the situation.

I've always been a sport when it comes to mother nature. Humans are on this very level of existence because of all the things that mother nature provides. The forests, rivers, lakes, we have swept our hands across everything. However, now when the point has come to save mother nature, we

very proudly turn our backs.

It is said 'greed has no limits' and humans have proved it by asking more and more from mother earth. Very few people, who have thought about this and become environmentalists, now claim their rights to be heard.

Some people in society are able to apply their minds to look at the adverse effects on the environment. Not the whole country but keeping our own city clean is a major responsibility. I have a huge garden, at my place in Dehu Road (garden city) with mountain surrounding the whole of the area. It looks like heavens have been dropped down to earth with lush green rows of forests.

I, as an individual, in my free time go out and try picking up

most of the plastic waste and stuff them in a carton. Watering the area nearby is not very difficult. I go ahead with some extended pipes and water the plants all around. Spreading awareness among my friends was actually one thing that really made a change in the locality.

Dad being in the Army, I suppose I've brought about a change in a dozen places so far. Initiating a campaign in the locality with the participation of both elders and juniors, is my aim for the future. I hope that my attempts will help bring about a change.

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