

**GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE NARSAPUR DIST. MEDAK**

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4. Report on environmental promotional activities conducted beyond the campus .

ECO-FRIENDLY GANESH CHATHURTHI program conducted at peddachintakunta village.

*Vakratunda mahakaaya suryakotisamapraha*

*Nirvigna Kurume deva sarvakaryeshu sarvada*

*Traditionally in any auspicious occassion / shubhkarya is begun with an invocation of Lord Ganesh.*

*Respect the parents, stay with them instead of sending them to OLD AGE HOMES.*

*Ganesha's relationship with his parents has been tricky. He was created by Mata Parvati and by mistake beheaded by his father Lord Shiva. However his powers and wisdom has developed the relationship with his parents into one that is loving and full of respect. An anecdote from Lord Ganesha's life reflects this lesson. When Ganesha was asked to encircle the world three times in order to win a race, he simply encircled his parents saying they were his world.*

*Lokmanya BalagangadharTilak chose Ganesh Chaturthy to spread national integrity in India because of the universal appeal Lord Ganesh has across all religions celebrating all over the world.*

*Use Eco Friendly Ganesh Idol - Say no to idols made of Chemical, plaster of paris, thermocol, plastic.*

*Make the idol of unbaked clay, coconut coir, paint with natural colours such as turmeric, henna, rice powder, wheat powder gum, Hibiscus rosa sinensis, Butea ,Terminalia chebula, Buchnanania latifolia, Cassia fistula, Acacia arabica paste etc affording natural dyes .*

*Limit size and number in community level - Big size and huge idols consume more clay for its making, adding more waste to environment. It leads to problematic to transport, traffic congestion and difficult for immersion also as it takes long time for dissolving in water and sometimes it does not dissolve completely & pollutes water.*

*SAVE ENERGY-It is better to switch on decorative lights during the aarti & pooja time and evenings only when required. Replace traditional bulbs such as incandescent bulbs with CFL- Compact fluorescent lights.*

*Ban plastic- Avoid the use of plastic instead use natural plates like Banana leaves, leaves of Moduga (Butea monosperma) flame of the forest- for distributing Prasad and taking meals.*

*Use cloth bags to dispose waste.*

*Refrain from Noise pollution-Avoid playing loud music, play mrudanga, tabala such low sound instruments.*

*Artificial immersion tank-use artificial immersion tank instead of natural water source like pond, lake.*

*Compost pit for organic material-The offerings of flowers, grass, garlands and other organic material put them in compost pits. This compost material can be used to plants as fertilizer.*

*Devotion is not in the material or size of the God's idol, but it is in the heart of the devotee.*

*If you have true devotion, you can find the glorious image of the Lord in everything and every being,*

*So, please do not cause loss to the creation of God in the name of Devotion.*

*This is the message we spread to the community throw the students. Enjoy Ganesh chaturthy but also respect the Nature.*

  
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