TERI Press launches new title on alternative energy in transport: ‘Green Transport’

New Delhi, 22 March 2016: At the launch of a new book title “Green Transport” published by TERI Press, Dr Ajay Mathur, Director General, TERI, said, “Transportation is not only important in how we deal with the world but also how the world deals with us. Each transport decision has to be made wisely. We hope that this will create the desired impact in society, particularly in children.”

Also present on the occasion was Mr Vijay Chhibber, Former Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways who remarked, “The question is not how many buses but what kind of buses. We will need to look for alternatives for fossil fuels but they may not be met by the solar route alone. In India we are blessed with the natural advantage of being in possession of a huge amount of biomass that can be utilised for generating alternate energy.”

Ms Rani Iyer, Author of the new title, said through a video message, “This book was conceptualised keeping in mind the growing needs for ‘greener’ forms of transport.”

Ms Anupama Jauhry, Head, TERI Press closed the session by quoting Baba Dioum, a Senegalese forestry engineer, “‘In the end, we will conserve what we love; we will love only what we understand and we will understand only what we are taught.’ I hope that TERI publications continue to teach children about the need for environmentally conscious sustainable practices and shape them into green citizens”.

It is difficult to calculate exactly how polluting transport is, but cars alone are believed to generate 15,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Some forms of transport are more sustainable because they use resources carefully. Scientists and engineers are constantly looking for ways to make vehicles faster, more comfortable, more hassle-free and yes, more environment-friendly. Some are working on bio diesel and cleaner fuel. Fungi and algae that have, till now, led humble and humdrum lives, have landed plum in the limelight because they may change the composition of fuels that we use to travel from one place to another.

Green Transport presents the history and environmental impacts of transportation, while taking a peek at its future. It explores alternative ways to travel, in other words, green transport.
Smart graphics present facts that on alternative transport which cause minimal harm to the environment, use less fuel, and reduce congestion. This book also looks closely at standards that have been set down by, say, the European Union. Click to read http://bookstore.teri.res.in/books/9788179934449

A panel discussion on ‘Alternative Energy and Transportation’ held after the launch, deliberated on the idea of green transport with eminent panellists from government, corporate and education fraternity.

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