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REPORT

INTERNATIONAL PLASTIC BAG FREE DAY

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INTRODUCTION



Shared Responsibility

The responsibility to eliminate single-use plastic bag waste from the natural environment has to be shared by all the stakeholders including the government, industries, civil society and the consumers.



Sustainable Development

This responsibility will support the wider provincial agenda on sustainable development that includes the consideration of economic, environment, technology, development and social factors.



Precautionary Principle

Single-Use plastic bags, as reported have an impact on biodiversity, environment and human health and some of these impacts are still being studied. When an activity raises threats or harm to human health or the environment, precautionary measures should be taken even if some cause and effect relationships are not fully established scientifically.



Participatory

Planning and execution of the Anti-Plastic Bag Roadmap will be carried out by engaging all the relevant stakeholders in an open and transparent manner.



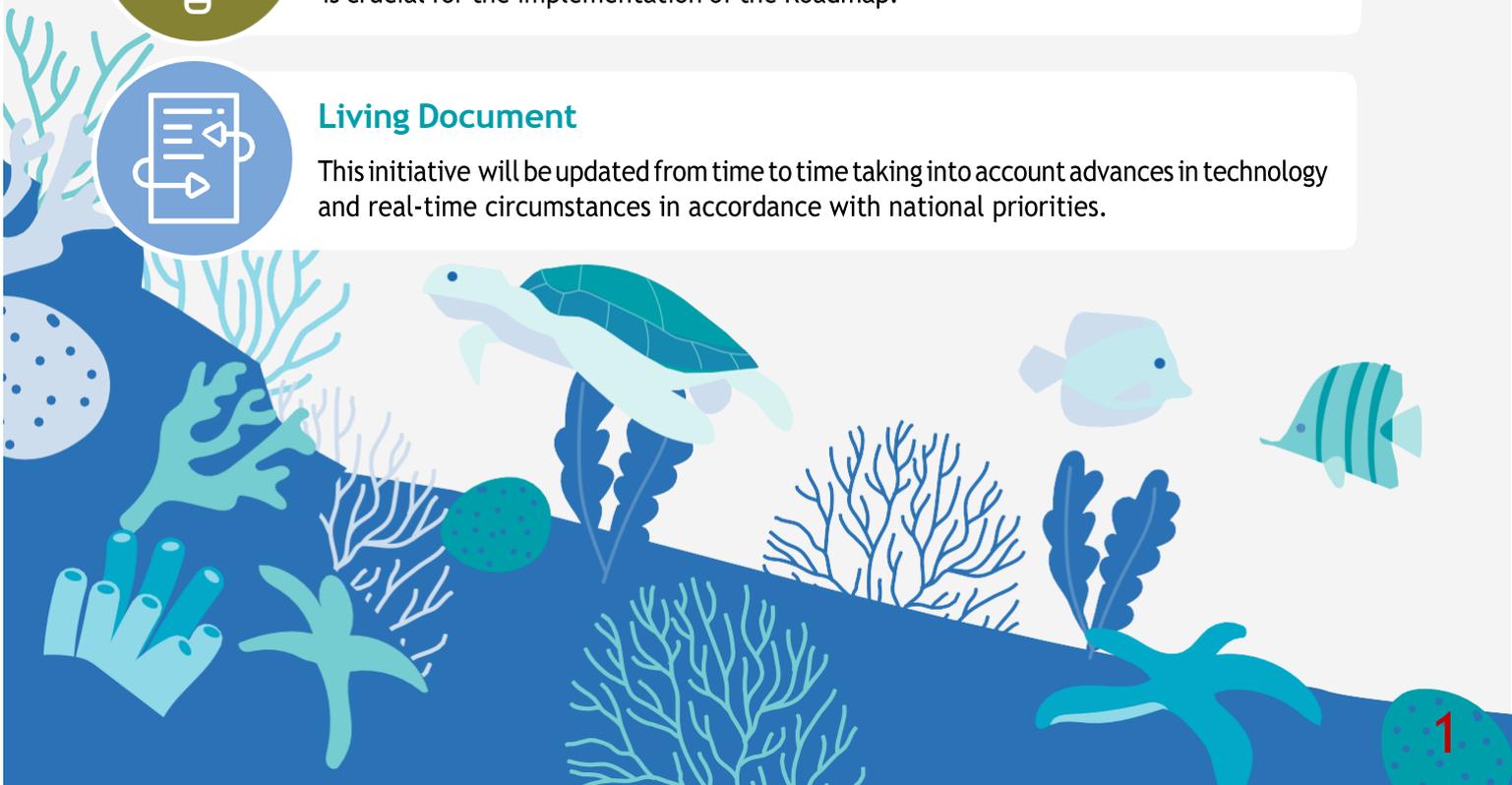
Good Governance

Good governance with appropriate mechanisms including accountability and transparency is crucial for the implementation of the Roadmap.



Living Document

This initiative will be updated from time to time taking into account advances in technology and real-time circumstances in accordance with national priorities.



ANTI-PLASTIC BAG ROADMAP

In connection with International Plastic Bag Free Day, the Punjab Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is actively intensifying its efforts to curb the use of single-use plastic bags in the province. **The Anti-Plastic Bag Roadmap** of EPA aims to foster a collaborative approach involving all stakeholders to combat plastic bag pollution. This strategy emphasizes the need to balance economic progress with environmental protection to ensure long-term sustainability and societal wellbeing.

This Roadmap envisions creating opportunities for the local industries to adopt eco-friendly alternatives, enabling access to broader global markets as the world transition towards sustainable products and processes.

The successful implementation of this initiative hinges on structured and coordinated action from all stakeholders across the plastic value chain, working together to address the challenges posed by plastic bags.



RANKING OF DISTRICTS





*International Plastic Bag
Free Day
03 July 2025*







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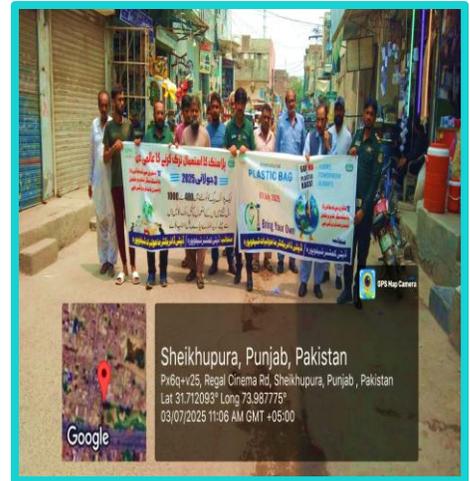
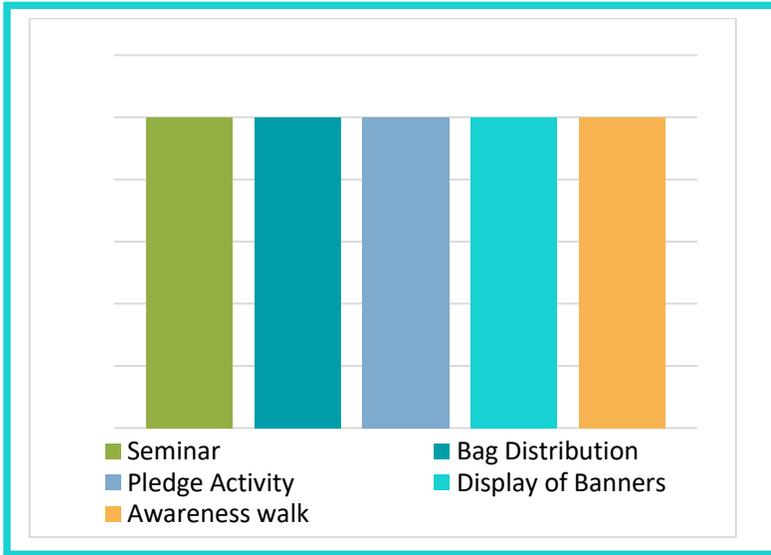
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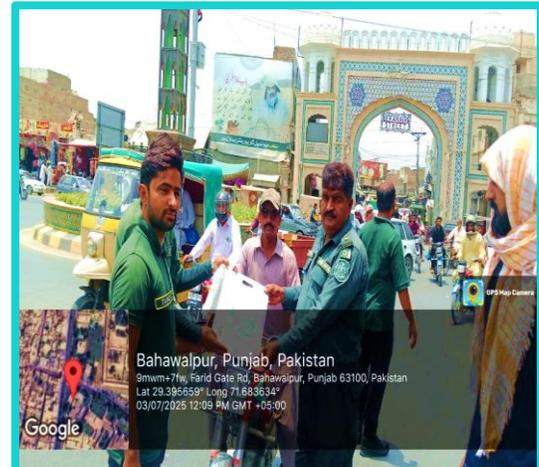
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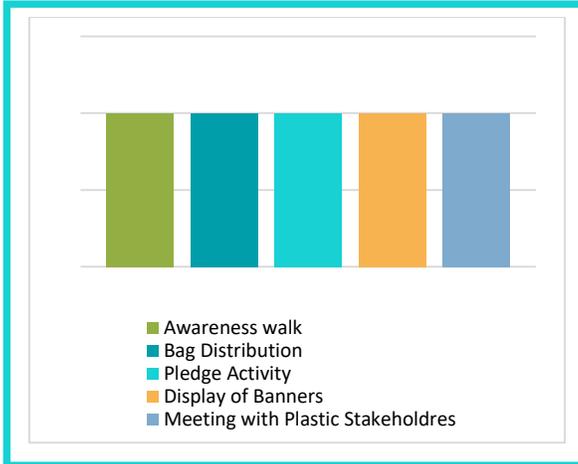
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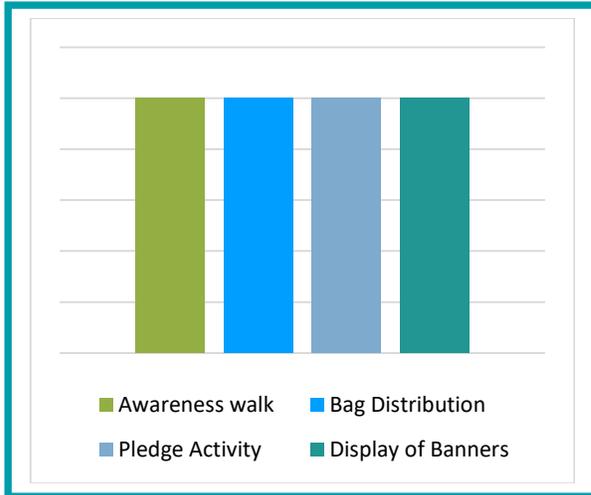
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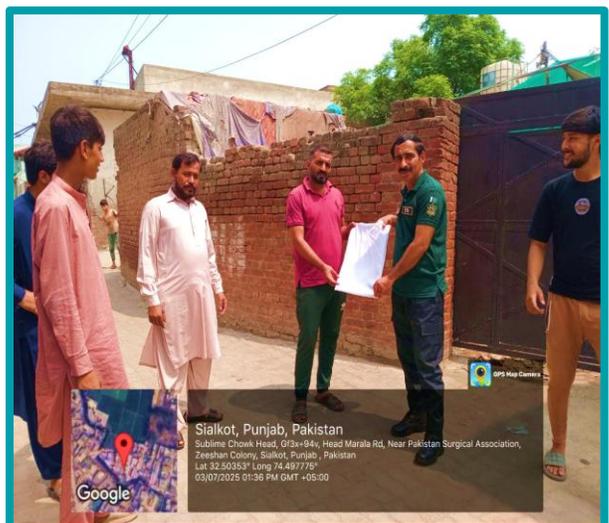
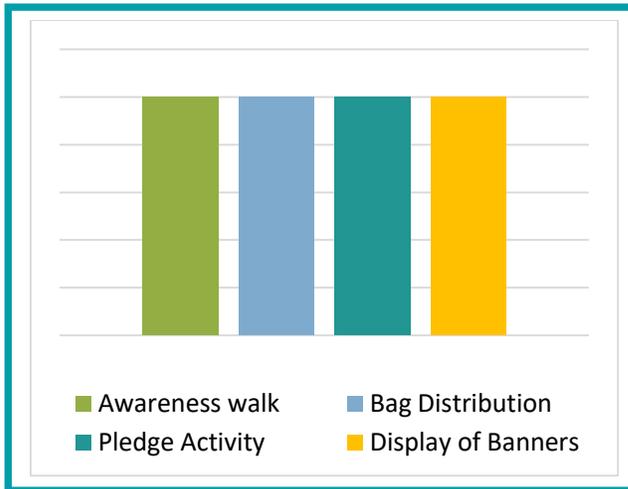
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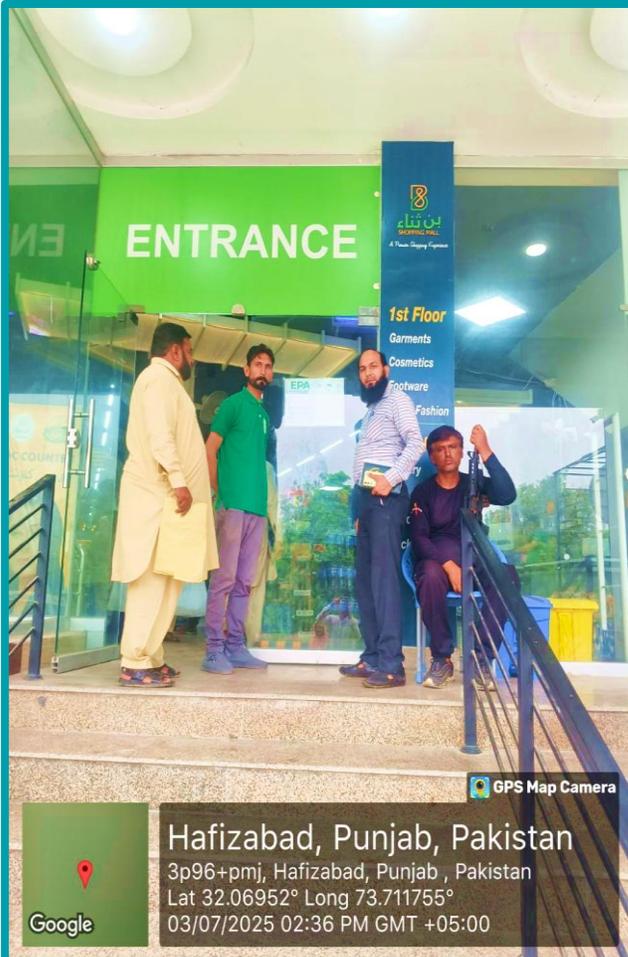
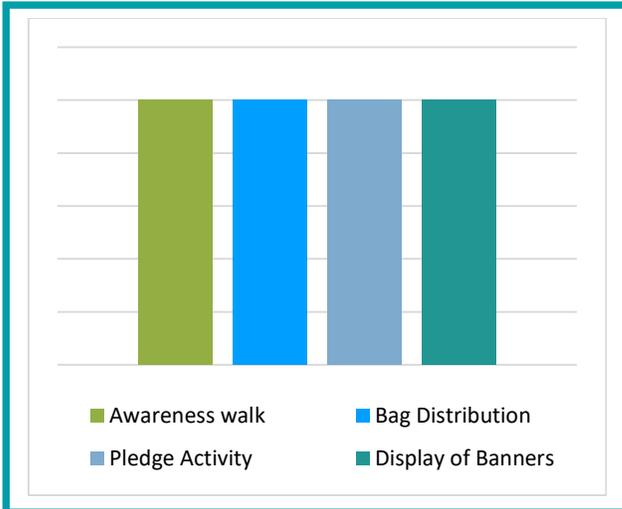
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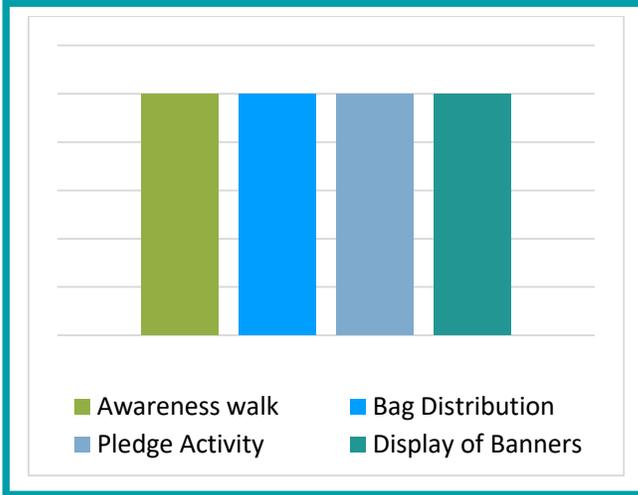
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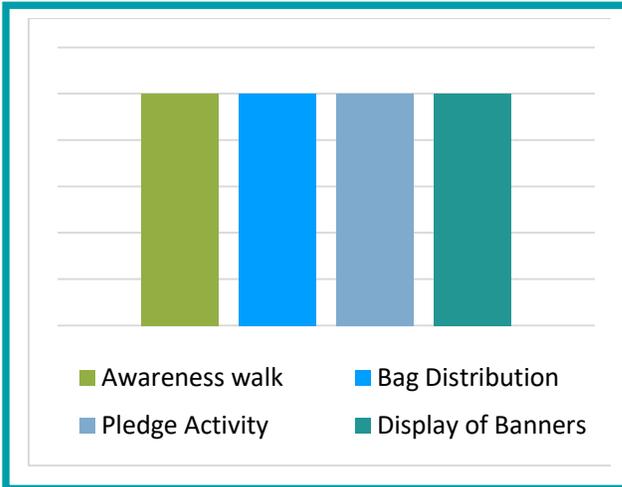
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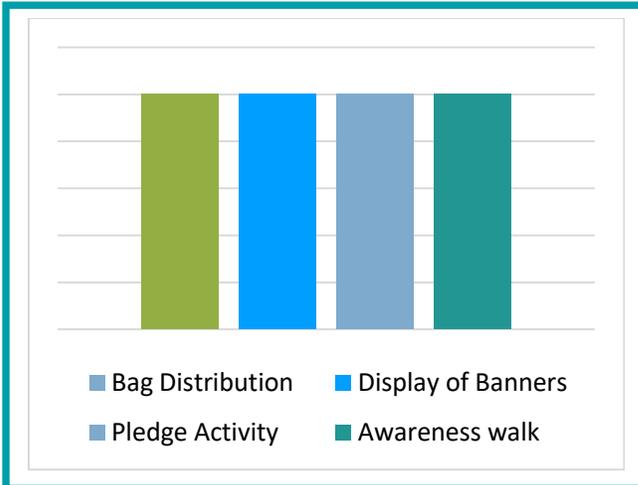
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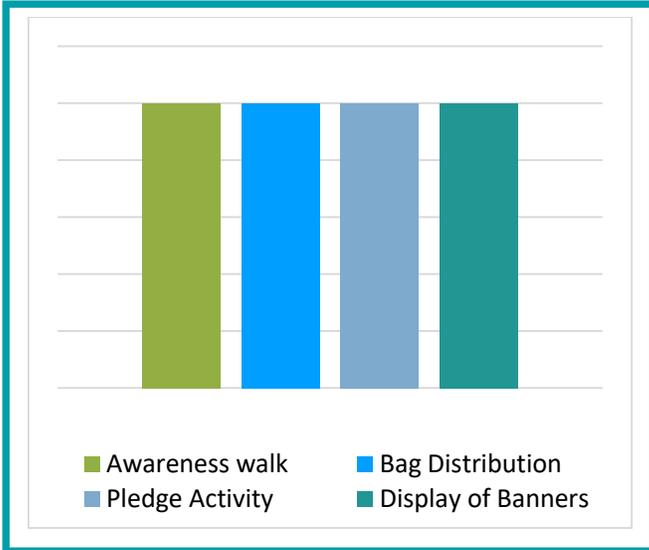
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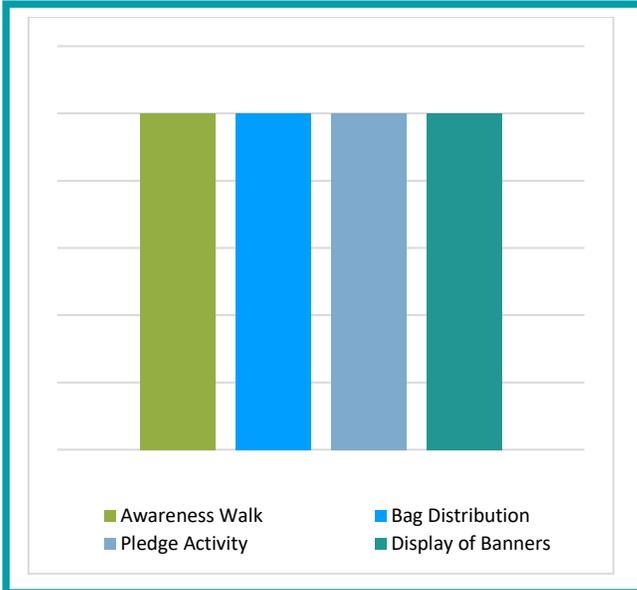
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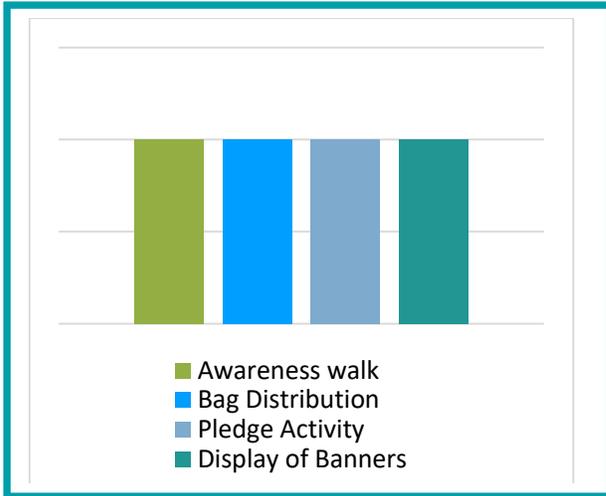
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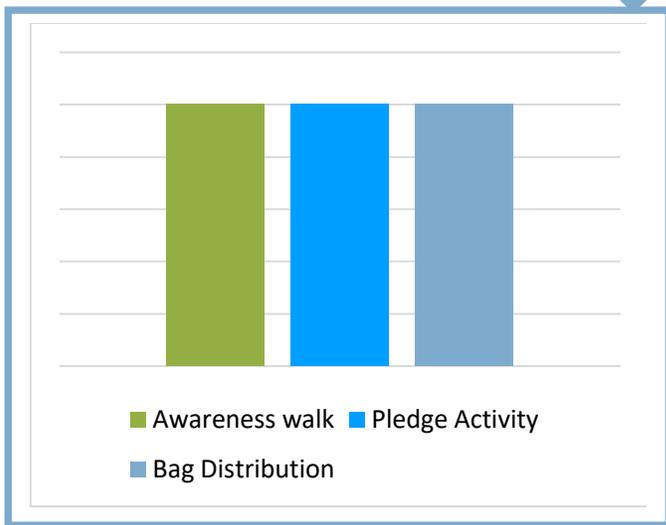
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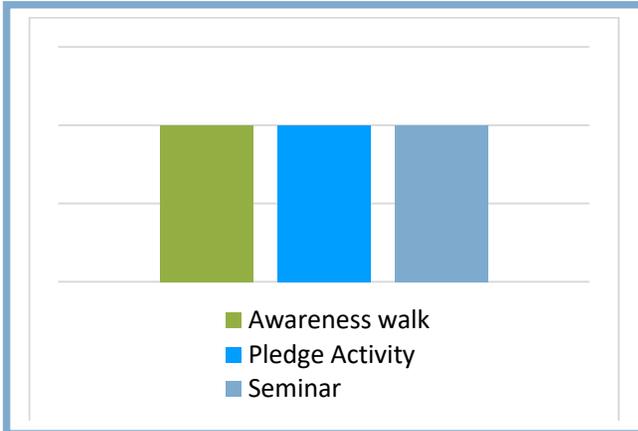
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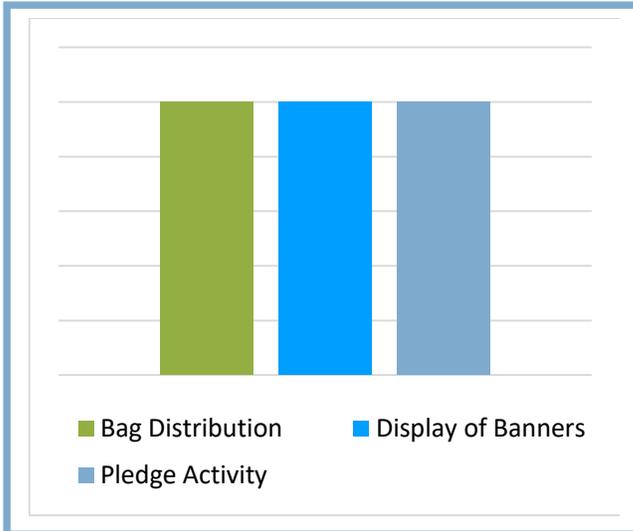
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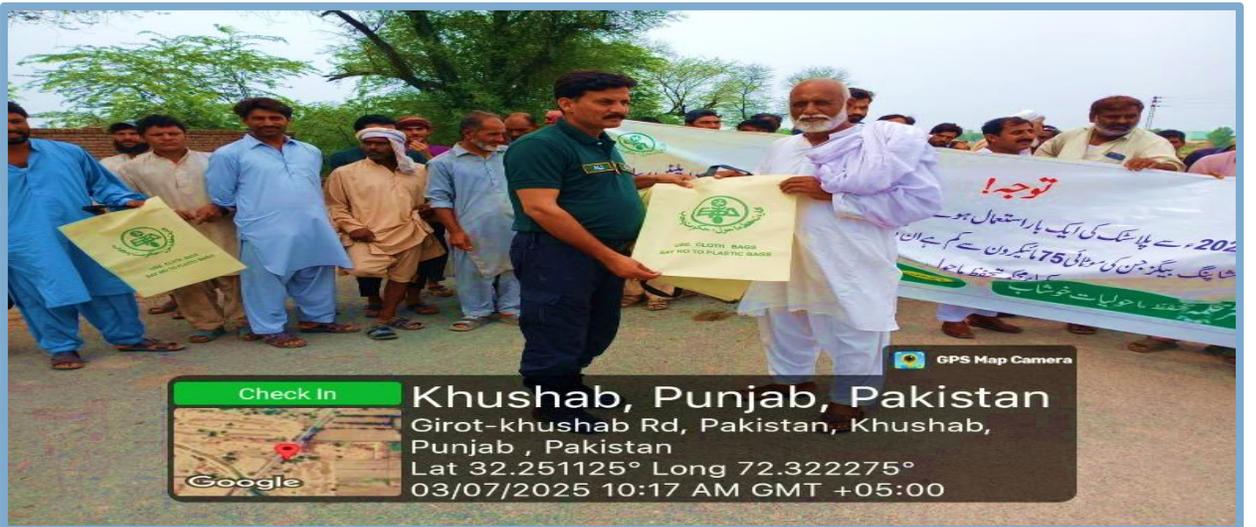
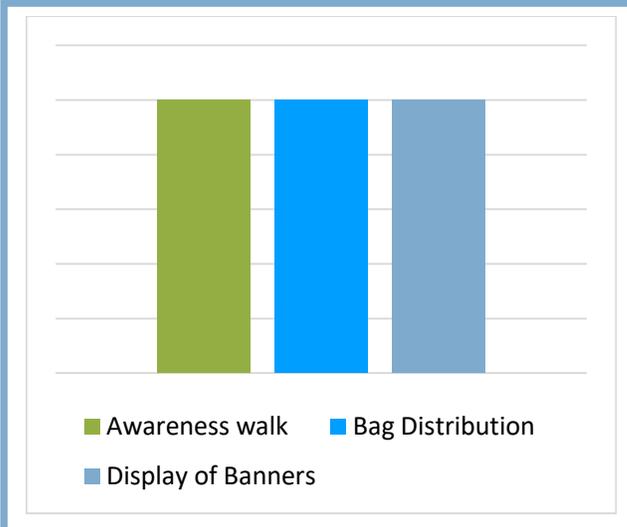
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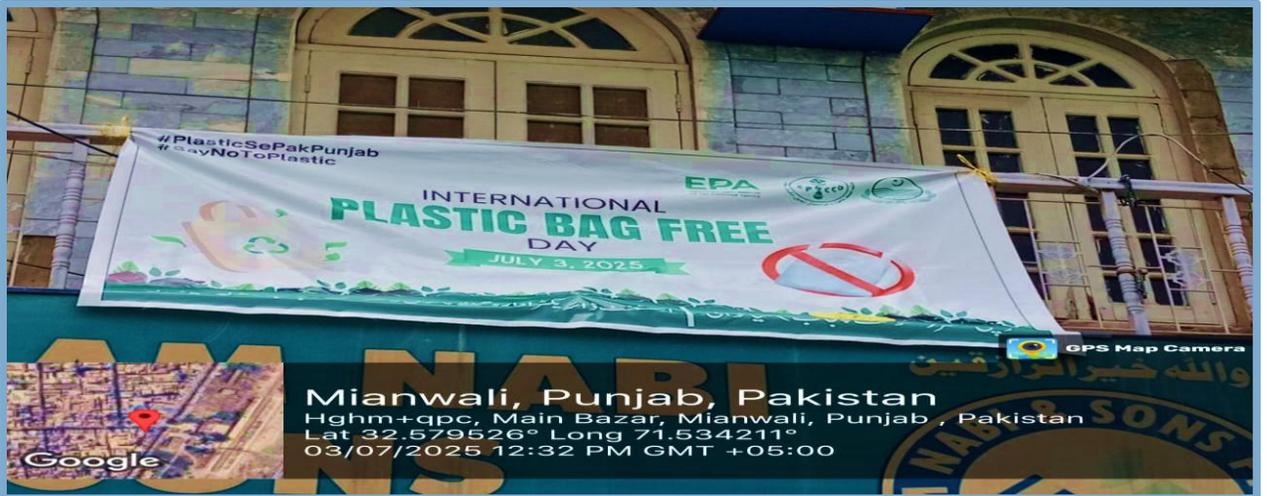
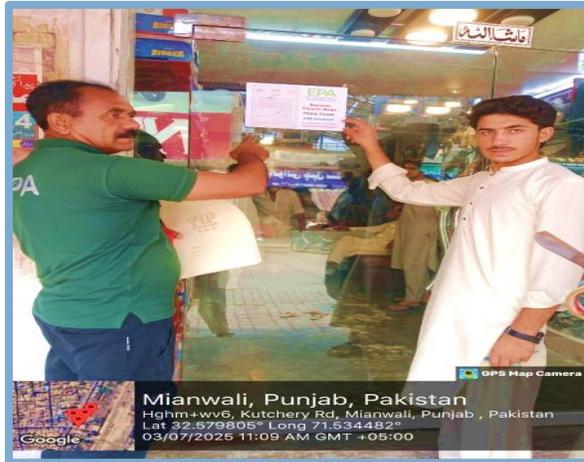
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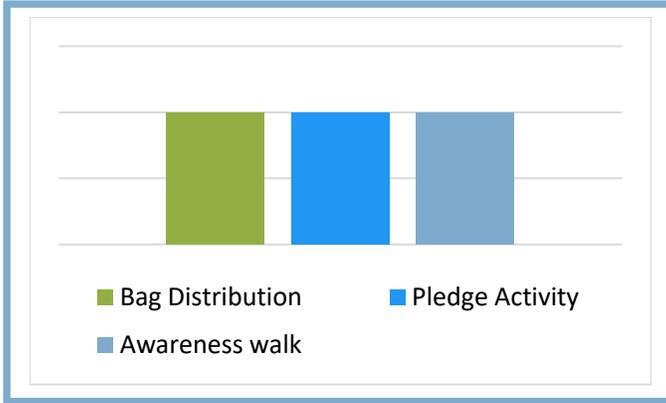
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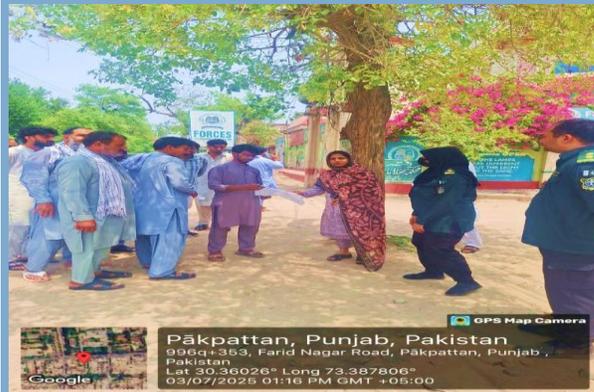
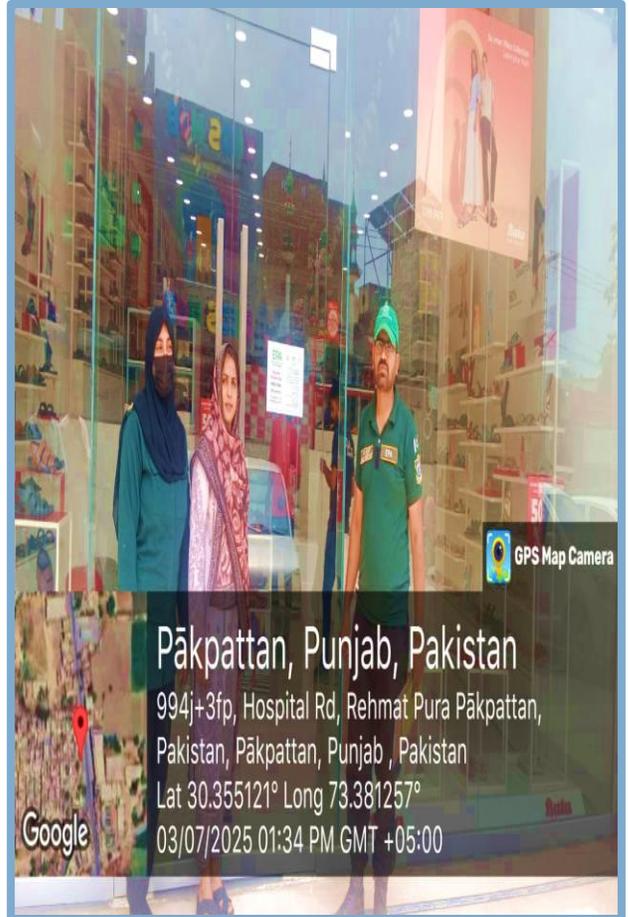
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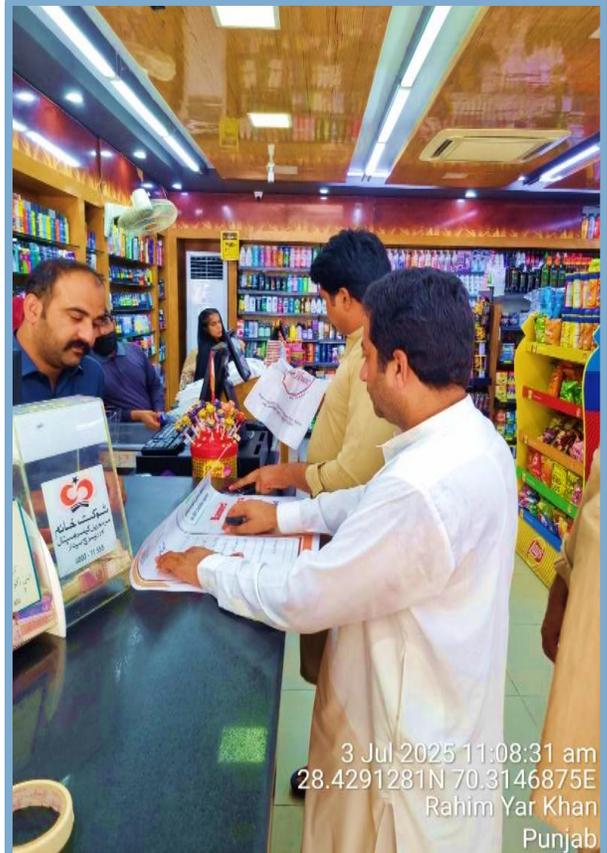
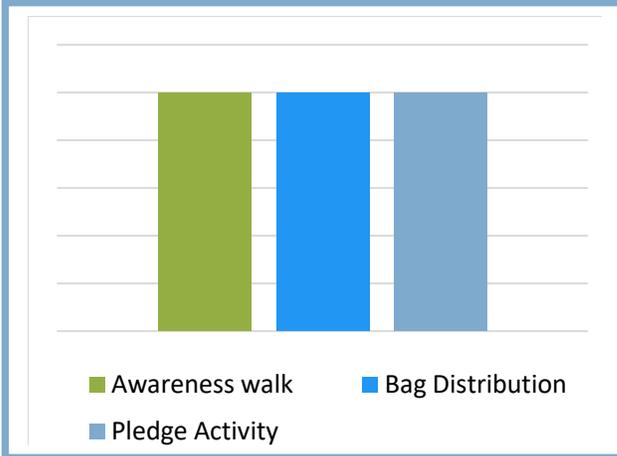
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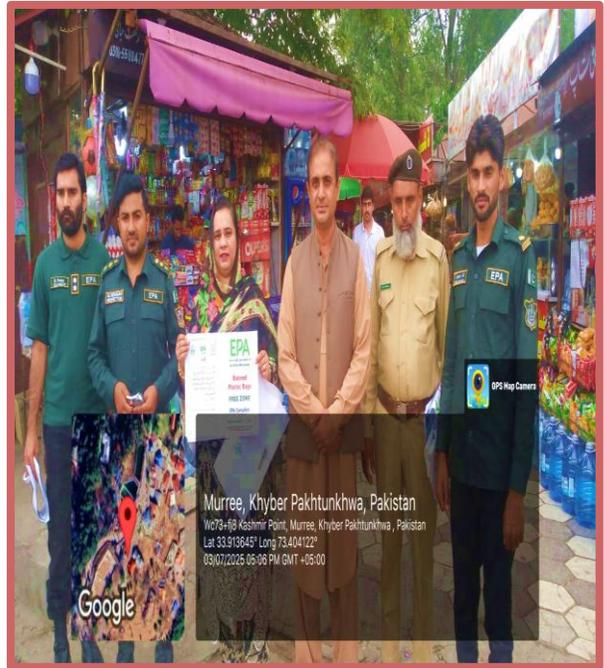


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Govt vows to make Punjab pla:

'Int'l Plastic Bag-Free Day' observed: 'Govt strives to make Punjab cleaner, greener'

Our Correspondent | Friday, Jul 04, 2025



Secretary Environment Protection & Climate Change Department (EP&CCD) Silwat Saeed addresses a seminar organised on the eve of 'International Plastic Bag-Free Day' on July 3, 2025. — Facebook@punjabepa

'Int'l Plastic Bag-Free Day' observed

'Govt strives to make Punjab cleaner, greener'

EP&CCD secretary says campaign to result in more effective way to stop banned single use plastic items

Our correspondent
LAHORE

The Punjab government is striving to reduce plastic pollution and build a cleaner, greener Punjab. The Plastic Bag-Free Day, commemorated annually on the July 3, is an important day that prompted citizens to quest their reliance on plastics and explore ways to reduce their dangerous effects on our planet.

Secretary Environment Protection & Climate Change Department (EP&CCD) Silwat Saeed expressed these views while addressing a seminar organised on the eve of 'International Plastic Bag-Free Day' here on Thursday.

Environment Protection Agency (EPA) Punjab held a number of seminars and awareness sessions along with walks across the Punjab provin-

ince to commemorate. Addressing the seminar, Secretary EP&CCD Silwat Saeed said the government has banned the entry of single-use plastic bags in its departments, schools and other public spaces. These 'Safe Zones' will facilitate the transition to safer non-plastic bags use in daily life.

The entire initiative has been supported by legislative measures and stakeholders have been taken on board to eliminate any gaps or discrepancies in implementing the plastic-free Punjab programme.

The initiative of inviting all businesses and organisations to take part in the Plastic-Free Punjab Pledge Campaign will result in more effective and better way to stop banned single use plastic items, she added. Moreover, through this campaign, businesses commit not to use plastic shopping bags banned by the EPA Punjab specifically, bags with thickness less than 75 microns or size smaller than 12x16 inches.

EPA DG Dr Imran Hamid Sheikh said that to tackle the plastic pollution and recognising the growing need to control the production and use of plastic products, Punjab CM has decided to take the challenge head on by imposing a ban on plastic bags production and use from June 5.

He said Plastic Management Information System (PMIS) has also been started its working by December 2024 for the registration and licence of plastic related businesses in all over Punjab and so far 556 producers, consumers, collectors and recyclers have been registered with PMIS.

Secretary Environment Punjab Sil-

wat Saeed also awarded certificates among field officers who confiscated maximum plastic banned bags under 75 microns. Deputy Director Ali Ijaz among the toppers while Director EHI Shazia was also awarded certificate for leading this campaign very successfully in Punjab.

Meanwhile, the EPA officials informed the media that so far Environment Protection Agency Punjab has initiated massive crackdown in all over Punjab, conducted 143,354 inspections and confiscated 3,24,582 kg plastic bags which were under 75 microns.

EPA's special teams conducted 1,36,961 raids in Punjab and confiscated 2,53,485 kg plastic bags out of which 6,300 raids were conducted in provincial capital and 72,007 kg plastic bags were seized by EPA teams.

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