



Our Environment, Our Responsibility...



“And a sign for them (those who deny God's signs) is the dead earth: We have brought it to life and caused grain to grow from it, of which they (people) eat. And We have placed in it gardens of date palms and grapes, and We have caused springs to gush forth in it, that they (people) may eat of its fruit, and what their (people's) hands have not produced. Will they (those who deny God's signs) not then be grateful?”

(Surah Yaseen: 33-35)

Preserving the Environment: Why is Environmental Protection Crucial?

- Jordan is among the countries with the scarcest water resources, facing immense challenges in securing fresh water supplies.
- Environmental protection plays a vital role in reducing the depletion of natural resources like land and water, ensuring their sustainability for future generations.
- Jordan lies in an arid and semi-arid region where desertification poses a severe threat to agricultural lands.
- Conserving the environment helps mitigate the effects of climate change, such as rising temperatures and reduced rainfall.
- Jordan is home to a diverse range of plant and animal species, many of which are endangered. Protecting the environment safeguards these species from extinction.
- Environmental conservation contributes to protecting natural reserves and ecologically sensitive areas like Wadi Rum and the Dead Sea.
- Tourism in Jordan depends heavily on its natural beauty, including iconic sites like Petra and nature reserves. Protecting the environment ensures the sustainability of these attractions.
- Environmental pollution and neglect can lead to a decline in tourism and negatively impact the economy.
- Pollution directly affects public health by contaminating essential resources like air and water.
- A clean environment reduces the prevalence of pollution-related diseases and enhances community well-being.
- Jordanian culture and Islamic values stress the importance of preserving natural resources and protecting them from harm.
- Promoting environmental awareness reflects a society's ethical commitment and strengthens its adherence to moral principles

How can we protect the environment within the university?

Every student can be a role model in maintaining a clean environment through awareness and daily practices such as:

1. Using refillable water bottles.
2. Avoiding the use of plastic cups and containers.
3. Sorting waste and placing it in appropriate containers.
4. Reducing paper consumption by using digital means.
5. Educating students about the importance of reducing plastic use by distributing educational materials.
6. Encouraging the use of public transportation to reach the university.
7. Switching to digital documents instead of paper ones to reduce paper consumption.



“I was shown the good and bad deeds of my nation, and I found among the good deeds the removal of harm from the road.”

(Hadith)



On Environmental Initiatives Within Universities:

- "University Cleanup Day" campaigns.
- Recycling projects and campus beautification with plants.
- Competitions for the best idea to preserve the university environment.
- Launching "A Tree for Every Student" campaigns to plant trees on campus and increase green spaces.
- Organizing challenges such as "Plastic-Free Week" or "Sustainable Transportation Week."
- Engaging students in planting local, environmentally friendly plants.
- Launching a campaign within cafeterias to reduce food waste by offering appropriately sized portions.



The Environment and National Belonging:

The environment and national belonging share a profound and inseparable connection. Preserving the environment reflects an individual's love for their country and dedication to its well-being and sustainability. Below are key points that highlight this relationship:

1. The Natural Environment as a Part of National Identity: The natural environment is an essential component of a nation's identity, showcasing its beauty and uniqueness.
2. Preserving Natural Resources and Reserves: Protecting natural resources and reserves helps to emphasize a nation's landmarks and ensures their conservation for future generations.
3. Environmentally Conscious Communities: Communities that care for their environment demonstrate their moral responsibility, which directly reflects their loyalty and belonging to their homeland.
4. Translating Belonging into Action: National belonging is expressed practically through participation in efforts such as maintaining the cleanliness of cities and protecting natural resources.
5. Environmentally Advanced Nations: Nations that prioritize environmental care stand as examples of progress, development, and sustainable growth.
6. National Environmental Initiatives: Initiatives like reforestation and cleaning public spaces illustrate the love citizens have for their homeland and their commitment to its preservation.
7. Environmental Campaigns: Campaigns focused on cleaning natural areas or planting trees foster a stronger sense of national belonging and enhance social cohesion.



Final Message:

Our sons and daughters, students of Al al-Bayt University,

You are the bright future of this nation and ambassadors of positive change within it. The environment is our treasure, which we must preserve not only for ourselves but also for future generations. Keeping our environment clean and sustainable reflects our love and loyalty to our homeland and strengthens our national identity, which is linked to the beauty of our land and our rich history.

Your affiliation with Jordan and your university is evident in your daily actions: maintaining the cleanliness of the campus, participating in environmental activities, planting trees, reducing waste, and innovating sustainable solutions.

Be role models and a source of inspiration for others, and always remember that protecting the environment is not just an individual responsibility, but a national duty that reflects your commitment to your country. Together, we can make a difference and build a brighter future full of opportunities and achievements.

Let us always be a symbol of awareness, loyalty, and belonging. Our Jordan deserves our utmost effort.

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