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# City colleges to dump plastic

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Come June 23, 40 premier colleges of the city including Jain group of institutions, PES education group, BNM Institute of Technology, Amrutha College of Engineering and Vijaya Group of institutions are going plastic free.

They will support an initiative by

the Akhila Bharathiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) and will not use plastic dustbins, cups, plates and other articles. Instead, they will use recycled plates, cups, bamboo and cane baskets.

L V Tejasvi Surya, convenor of Green India Mission, who came up with the idea, said that on an average, a college uses newspapers, an-

swer sheets, question papers and other articles of paper in three months sufficient to make 1,000 paper bags. "We are placing 15 bamboo dustbins and planting and protecting 500 saplings in 40 colleges," he said. The colleges are expected to declare one a day in a week as public transport day and encourage students to use buses.