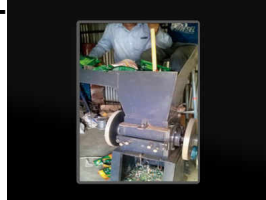


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AOL recycling plant helps reduce plastic burden

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At 8 on a Sunday morning, 10 people on board three tractors set out on a mission to five villages around The Art of Living [International](#) Centre, South Bengaluru. Their goal: collect and separate recyclable waste and transport it to AOL's Pyrolysis Plant.

The plant, with a capacity to reduce 200kg of plastic into fuel, gas and carbon, is an enormous step toward waste management. Twenty per cent of the fuel generated is used to run the plant itself, and the rest for power boilers in the ashram kitchen, which feed approximately 8 million people every year. The black carbon produced is used to asphalt roads. The plant is an efficient system that produces zero waste. **Top**

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Excellent work by a socially responsible organisation!
Congratulations, keep up the good work. Prakash Magal

The team of waste warriors is led by Satya Kumar. They work tirelessly from 8am to 6pm in the ashram as well -sometimes even till later on busy days -collecting waste from the 220 bins scattered within the ashram. The plant, inaugurated in May 2015, has decomposed thousands of tonnes of plastic. "We hope to tie up with a company that will coordinate with [BBMP](#) and bring plastic waste that's

generated in the city. The capacity of the machine is huge. We're hoping this partnership will benefit the larger community," says Satya.