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NOVEL IDEA

## 'Gift pots' to control garbage

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June 21: As Chennai faces the critical problem of handling garbage, which cannot be swept under the carpet of ongoing city beautification projects, several families have adopted a new 'gift idea' by which they present garbage pots as ever usable gifts for their relatives and friends.

Source segregation of garbage should start from our homes. The garbage pots, made of clay, can be used as kitchen waste composters. Since I learned about these pots, I prefer them as an appropriate gift for households," said Mr Prakash, a young software engineer who recently gifted a beautiful garbage pot to his mother on her birthday.

According to Ms Navneeth Raghavan, a famous landscaper and distributor of



Various in-house Kambha garbage pot designs with plants, painted models, with a rat-proof lid and without plants.

Daily Dump garbage pots here, most customers are middle-class families. "Lack of collective efforts to segregate the waste in the apartments always creates

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idea," said Ms Raghavan. This idea could end huge garbage dumps in the city, she added.

"I gifted Kambha, a three-tiered pot, during my dearest friend's house warming. Since most city residents face problem of garbage disposal, we can dump our kitchen waste in these composters which can also be kept inside the house," said Ms. Menika, a housewife from Valmiki Nagar.