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# What You Can Do To Manage Waste

**1** Involve employees and guests in good waste management practices

**2** Install a compost bin to produce organic fertilizer for your garden

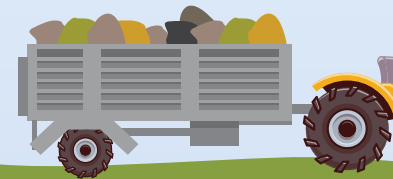
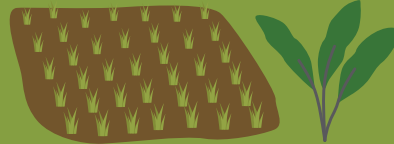
**3** Reduce printing and print double-sided. Refill ink cartridges instead of buying new ones

**4** Reuse your bags and packaging

**5** Replace single-use products with reusable or naturally degradable alternatives

**6** Make your supply chain sustainable. Buy local and reusable products

**7** Send recyclable items like paper, cardboard, glass, cooking oil, tin, and e-waste to appropriate recycling facilities



After eliminating the use of plastic water bottles in their operations, a small adventure tourism business in Sri Lanka has **prevented approximately 35,000 plastic bottles from polluting the environment**. This equates to about 145 plastic bottles per month.

“**We have made a conscious decision to minimize waste and contribute to sustainability** by diverting our organic waste to a piggery. Not only does this make waste management easier for us, but it is also a rewarding endeavour.”

~ MSME Operator in Sri Lanka