

## Ocean Plastics Pollution

## A Global Tragedy for Our Oceans and Sea Life

- Plastic accumulating in our oceans and on our beaches has become a global crisis. Billions of pounds of plastic can be found in swirling convergences that make up about 40 percent of the world's ocean surfaces. At current rates plastic is expected to outweigh all the fish in the sea by 2050.
- Plastics pollution has a direct and deadly effect on wildlife. Thousands of seabirds and sea turtles, seals and other marine mammals are killed each year after ingesting plastic or getting entangled in it. Few endangered wildlife species of seals, sea turtles are among nearly 700 species that eat and get caught in plastic litter.
- It's time to get at the root of this ocean crisis and to begin regulating plastics as a pollutant and to stop plastic pollution at the source, before it ever has a chance to reach the ocean.
- In this direction WCS has joined hands with like minded organisations in addressing this issue along the vast Indian coastal line.



