

# **GS- III. Conservation, Environmental Pollution and Degradation.**

**1.** What are the harmful effects of Single-use Plastics? Explain the challenges in Eliminating and Effective Measures to deal with it.

## Why this Question?

➤ Single-use plastic items including plastic bags, spoons, cups, straws and bottles will be banned with effect from October 2, 2019, on the occasion of Mahatma Gandhi's 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary.

### **Key Demands of Question:**

- Explain the harmful effects of the Single-use pollution.
- ▶ Explain the challenges in eliminating the same.
- Explain the effective way forward measure to deal with the plastic elimination.

### **Structure of Answer:**

#### Introduction:

➤ Give brief intro about what really a single-use plastic is? Explain it harmful effects based on the facts and figures.

#### Body:

- ➤ Explain the harmful effects of single-use plastics in the diversified sense. For ex. Human, environment, marine life etc.
- Explain the challenges in eliminating the single-use plastics.
- Explain the government initiatives to tackle the problem of the single-use plastics.
  For ex. Plastic waste management rules, ban on single-use plastics, etc.
- ➤ Explain the effective measures (sustainable measures) to reduce the challenges in implementing the same.

### **Conclusion:**

>> Conclude with a positive note and Importance of the issue to be Addressed Immediately.