

### WHAT IS WATER POLLUTION?

The water they say is life. With about 70% of the earth's cover being water, it undeniably (1) \_\_\_\_\_ one of our greatest resources. (2) \_\_\_\_\_, a closer inspection of our water resources today, give us a rude shock.

Infested with waste ranging from (3) \_\_\_\_\_ plastic bags to chemical waste, our water bodies (4) \_\_\_\_\_ into a pool of poison. In simple words, the contamination of water bodies (5) \_\_\_\_\_ water pollution. Thereby the abuse of lakes, ponds, oceans, rivers, reservoirs, etc. is water pollution. Pollution of water occurs when substances that will modify the water in a negative fashion (6) \_\_\_\_\_ in it. This discharge of pollutants can be direct as well as indirect.

Water pollution is an appalling problem, powerful (7) \_\_\_\_\_ to lead the world on a path of destruction. Water is an easy solvent, (8) \_\_\_\_\_ most pollutants to dissolve in it easily and contaminate it. The most basic effect of water pollution (9) \_\_\_\_\_ by the organisms and vegetation that survive in water, including amphibians. On a human level, several people die each day (10) \_\_\_\_\_ to consumption of polluted and infected water.

As per the Economist report (dated 2008) each day over 1000 children die of diarrheal sickness in India and the numbers (11) \_\_\_\_\_ in the last five years. Water is polluted by both natural as well as man-made activities. Volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, Tsunamis, etc. (12) \_\_\_\_\_ to alter water and contaminate it, also affecting ecosystems that survive under water.

|    | A                  | B                      | C                     | D                    |
|----|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1  | become             | became                 | becomes               | had become           |
| 2  | However            | Since                  | But                   | Although             |
| 3  | floated            | floating               | was floating          | is floating          |
| 4  | turned             | was turned             | have turned           | were turning         |
| 5  | mean               | means                  | meaning               | meant                |
| 6  | are discharged     | is discharged          | discharged            | discharge            |
| 7  | also               | but                    | enough                | as                   |
| 8  | enabling           | to enable              | enabled               | have enabled         |
| 9  | directly suffered  | have directly suffered | are directly suffered | is directly suffered |
| 10 | as                 | due                    | in order              | in case              |
| 11 | had only increased | only increased         | have only increased   | were only increased  |
| 12 | know               | are known              | have known            | had known            |