

Earth day, 2022

April 23, 2022

In news— Every year, World Earth day is observed on April 22.

About Earth day-

- Earth Day has been **celebrated since 1970**.
- The Earth Day **mission is to “diversify, educate and activate the environmental movement worldwide**.
- It was **first observed in the United States**, when people took to the streets to **protest against the 1969 Santa Barbara oil spill**, which killed thousands of seabirds, dolphins, seals, and sea lions.
- The **United Nations designated April 22 as International Mother Earth Day in 2009**.
- It is intended to be a reminder that “the healthier our ecosystems are, the healthier the planet – and its people”.
- **The UN links the designation of April 22 with a series of previous global climate actions** that started with the **UN Conference on the Human Environment 1972** in Stockholm and the establishment that year of World Environment Day on June 5.
- Earth Day 1990 gave a huge boost to recycling efforts worldwide and helped pave the way for the 1992 United Nations Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro.
- In 1992, Agenda 21, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development was adopted at the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit.
- The **theme for the year 2022 is ‘Invest In Our Planet’**.
- Earth Day 2022 calls people to Act (boldly), innovate (broadly), and implement (equitably).