

World habitat day

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- The UN has designated the **first Monday of October every year** as World Habitat Day.
- World Habitat Day was **first celebrated in 1986** with the theme “Shelter is My Right” and **Nairobi was the host city**.
- **World Habitat Day 2019** was hosted by the Government of Mexico in **Mexico City** with the theme “*Frontier Technologies as an Innovative Tool to Transform Waste to Wealth*”.
- The focus is to **promote the contribution of innovative technologies to sustainable waste management to achieve SDG 11** (aims to make cities more inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable).

What are frontier technologies?

- Frontier technologies refer to automation, robotics, electric vehicles, renewable energy technologies, biotechnologies, and artificial intelligence which can transform social, economic and environmental spheres.