



Deforestation is the large-scale cutting down or burning of trees in forests. This often happens to make space for farming, construction, or roads. While some trees are cut down for wood and paper, much of the destruction occurs to clear land for agriculture. Trees are extremely important for our planet. They help produce oxygen, which we need to breathe, and they absorb carbon dioxide, a harmful gas that contributes to global warming. Trees also provide homes and food for many animals. When forests are destroyed, these animals lose their habitats and sometimes face extinction. Deforestation has other harmful effects too. It can cause changes in rainfall patterns, making some areas drier or wetter. It also leads to soil erosion, which can affect farming and lead to the loss of fertile land. To protect our planet, we need to reduce deforestation. This can be done by using resources wisely, planting trees, supporting conservation efforts, and protecting existing forests.