EARTH OVERSHOOT DAY

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WHAT IS IT?

Earth Overshoot Day (EOD) marks the date when humanity's demand for ecological resources and services in a given year exceeds what Earth can regenerate in that year.

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Earth Overshoot Day is hosted and calculated by Global Footprint Network, an international research organization. It is a non profit organisation.

WHY IN NEWS?

As we consume and destroy more than ever before, the Earth Overshoot Day keeps getting earlier.

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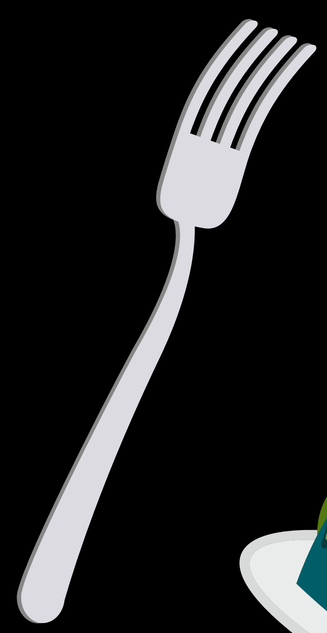
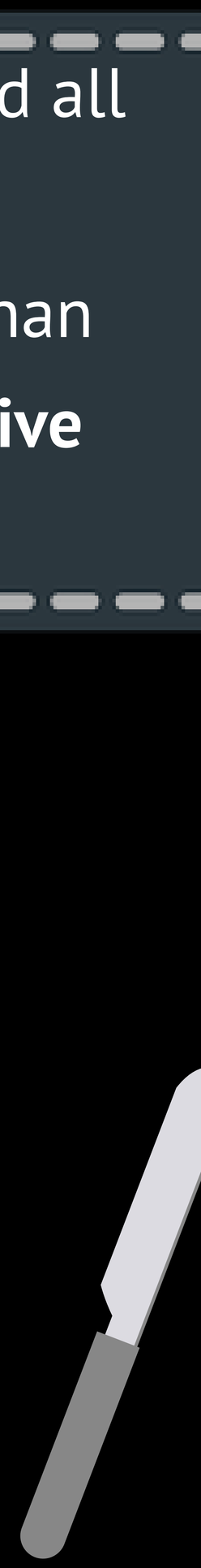
It was marked on 2 August in 2017, 1 August in 2018 and in 2019 it was on 29 July – two months earlier than it was 20 years ago.

It means that humans have exhausted all natural resources the planet can sustainably supply for 2019 faster than ever – **overshooting by more than five months.**





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Due to increased consumption and a growing population we are now using up nature's resources 1.75 times faster than the planet's ecosystems can regenerate them.

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