***Plastic pollution in Turkmenistan.***

1. *Why do you think this issue is important?*

Plastic pollution is an important issue for Turkmenistan, because it causes serious environmental and economic problems.

Plastic waste can pollute water resources, harm wildlife and distroy ecosystems. All of this especially dangerous in a dry climate such as in Turkmenistan. The Caspian Sea which is located on the territory of Turkmenistan and is also under threat from plastiic pollution.

Additionaly, plastic waste can contribute to land degradation and air pollution.

*2.What does the government of Turkmenistan do to solve this problem?*

The government of Turkmenistan has enacted environmental protection laws, such as waste management regulation. The aim of these laws will reduce pollution waste including plastic. Environmental education and awareness programms have been introduced, targetting both the public and private sectors. Turkmenistan has collaborated with international organizations, such as the United Nations and Global Environment Fund, to develop strategies for substainable environmental management. The government is investing in infrastructure to improve waste collection, recycling and treatment.

*3. What can people do to solve the problem?*

People can solve the plastic pollution problem in some ways.

Firstly, people can use items such as bags, bottles or containers, instead of single-use plastic.

Secondly, community can organise local clean-up events to remove single-use plastic from public places such as parks or squares.

Thirdly, people can support businessess which protect our environment , by promoting eco-friendly products.

By working together , both the government and citizens of Turkmenistan can help mitigate the harmful effects of plastic pollution on the environment and society.