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**United Nations warns world to quit 'coal addiction' – 5th November, 2019**

## **Level 0**

The UN told world leaders to end their addiction to coal. Coal is a "major threat" to climate change. The UN said countries in Asia are in areas at risk to climate change. The UN said: "Unless we are able to...defeat climate change, in 2050, the research has forecasted that 300 million people in the world will be flooded by sea water."

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## **Level 1**

The United Nations chief has told world leaders to overcome their addiction to coal. He said the fossil fuel was a "major threat" to climate change. He was in Thailand for the ASEAN Summit. The UN chief said countries in Asia are "in one of the most vulnerable areas to climate change". He added that: "Unless we are able to...defeat climate change, in 2050, the research has forecasted that 300 million people in the world will be flooded by sea water."

The UN chief said climate change was, "the biggest threat to the planet at the present moment". He asked countries to stop building coal-power electricity plants. As he spoke, there were dangerous levels of air pollution in Delhi. Air monitors did not have enough digits to record the pollution. A health official tweeted: "I think we are heading towards Delhi recording the most polluted day in the history of the world!! This is a disaster!"

## **Level 2**

The United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has told world leaders to end their addiction to coal. He said the addiction "must be overcome". Mr Guterres said the fossil fuel was a "major threat" to climate change. He was in Thailand for the ASEAN Summit. He said: "Countries in these areas are countries that are in one of the most vulnerable areas to climate change." He added that: "Unless we are able to...defeat climate change, in 2050, the research has forecasted that 300 million people in the world will be flooded by sea water."

Mr Guterres said climate change was, "the biggest threat to the planet at the present moment". He added: "We have to put a price on carbon. We need to stop subsidies for fossil fuels." He urged countries to stop building coal-power electricity plants so we can defeat climate change. The UN chief spoke on a day that saw "hazardous" levels of air pollution in Delhi. An Indian health official said air monitors did not have enough digits to record the pollution. He tweeted: "I think we are heading towards Delhi recording the most polluted day in the history of the world!! This is a disaster!"

## **Level 3**

The United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has told world leaders to end their addiction to coal. He said the fossil fuel was a "major threat" to climate change and warned that the coal addiction "must be overcome". Mr Guterres was in Thailand for the ASEAN Summit. He said that many countries in danger from climate change are in Asia. He told the world leaders that: "Countries in these areas are countries that are in one of the most vulnerable areas to climate change." He added that: "Unless we are able to...defeat climate change, in 2050, the research has forecasted that 300 million people in the world will be flooded by sea water."

Mr Guterres said climate change was, "the biggest threat to the planet at the present moment". He said using coal was a big problem. "We have to put a price on carbon. We need to stop subsidies for fossil fuels." He urged, "stopping the construction of coal-power electricity plants in order to be able to defeat climate change." The UN chief was speaking on a day that saw "unbearable" and "hazardous" levels of air pollution in India's capital of Delhi. An Indian health ministry official, Varun Jhaveri, said pollution monitors did not have enough digits to accurately record the pollution. He tweeted: "I think we are heading towards Delhi recording the most polluted day in the history of the world!! This is a disaster!"

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