

Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution
Department of Consumer Affairs
(P&C Division)

Report of Department of Consumer Affairs containing details of activities undertaken during swachhta Pakhwara from 16th to 28th February, 2023.

In pursuance of guidelines of M/o Drinking Water and Sanitation and D.O.Letter No. [No 561/01/01/2017-CA.IV](#) ---- dated 25th November 2022 from Cabinet Secretary for celebration of Swachhta Pakhwara. Department of Consumer Affairs has observed Swachhta Pakhwara from 16th to 28th February, 2023. Swachhta Action Plan was prepared to celebrate the Pakhwara by the Department as well as all its organizations. Swachhta Action Plan and Photos / Videos on the activities undertaken were also uploaded on the website of D/o Drinking Water and Sanitation. Display of banners at prominent places, also at website of DoCA, distribution of mask, sanitizer, soaps in keeping in view of COVID-19, plantation, beautification, use of paper folders instead of plastic, disposal of accumulated e-waste of the department.

A Pledge taking ceremony was held at 18th February 2023, wherein Secretary (CA) administered the pledge on Swachhta. Essay competition was also held on 24th February 2023.

Organization under this Department viz. BIS, NCCF, NTH, IILM and RRSLs have also observed Swachhta Pakhwara in their officers as per their Action Plan and provided reports on activities/ plans undertaken during Swachhta Pakhwara.

BUREAU OF INDIAN STANDARDS:- A Swachhta Pledge was undertaken by employees of BIS, cleanliness and repair of all Horticulture equipment, Solar panel, fountain area, gym, garage, club room, premises of Manak Bhawan, all the security equipment, lifts, centralized AC, generators, adjoining road behind staff quarters area.

Further, some innovative practices such as vermicomposting of biodegradable waste, segregation of e-waste at source, awareness programmes held to develop information, education and communication (IEC) dissemination on better hygiene related to COVID-19.

NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONSUMERS FEDERATION OF INDIA: Pledge taking ceremony followed by essay competition, special drive for cleanliness, talk conducted on sustainable development goals for survival of humanity.

NATIONAL TEST HOUSE: A Swachhta Pledge was undertaken by employees of NTH, cleaning of laboratories, sitting rooms, working area of scientists and other staff, campaign on “hygiene and sanitation” focusing on COVID-19, record management, garden area and RPPT laboratory, swachhta rally from office premises to M Block, Sanjay Nagar, Ghaziabad, cleaning of Taramani Railway Station Premises (Chennai) . Awareness regarding use of consumer product with logo of ISI mark, imitation and auctioning of tested samples.

LEGAL METROLOGY: Disposal of obsolete/unused/un-serviceable Equipment, Furniture, waste material newspaper, cleaning of laboratory, awareness program in syndicate basti/society, school on reduction of single use plastic, cleaning near vatva G.I.D.C Over bridge, conduct of National Work Shop, cleaning water tanks, pantry and office backyard.

RRSL BENGALURU: A Swachhta Pledge followed by cleaning tools/machines in mass lab rooms (1,2,3,4,5,6), bush cutting and beautification of garden area, cleaning of terrace area of the building, rearranging of the files, records of the laboratory.

RRSL BHUBNESWHAR: Swachhta Pledge on 16th February, 2023 at 11:00 am followed by cleanliness drive around laboratory area, plantation of flowers saplings, awareness program related to sanitation, removal of plastic and e-waste from the laboratory.