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Government of India
Ministry of Education

Department of School Education & Literacy

D.O.No.F.28-3/2023-IS-10



13th September, 2023

Kindly refer to this Department's letter of even no. dated 3rd May 2023 and 27th June 2023 regarding observing of Swachhata Pakhwada, 2019 from 1st to 15th September, 2019 (copy enclosed).

2. As you are aware 2nd October is observed as Swachh Bharat Diwas (SBD) to celebrate the Jan Andolan for Swachhata. The aim is to pay a tribute to the father of the nation "Mahatma Gandhi" on his Jayanti. As a prelude to SBD-2023, the annual Swachhata Hi Sewa (SHS) fortnight is being jointly organized by Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen & Urban) by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs and Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation, **w.e.f. 15th September – 2nd October 2023**. Theme of SHS-2023 is '**Garbage Free India**' with focus on visible cleanliness and welfare of SafaiMitras on high footfall public places.

3. Considering the significance of Swachhata in schools and to sensitize the children and community members about the cleanliness through school and community-based initiatives, it has been decided to observe Swachh Bharat Diwas (SBD) in all the schools across the country by organizing an intensive Swachhata Hi Sewa (SHS) campaign - 2023 from 15th September to 2nd October wherein the schools will conduct the following suggestive activities:

- (i) Swachhata Shapath by the students and teachers;
- (ii) Cleanliness drive in the schools, hostels and educational institutions to remove the garbage with the help of teachers;
- (iii) Plantation of saplings in schools, hostels and educational institutions' areas;
- (iv) Essay/ Poem/ Debate/ Slogan writing on "**Garbage free India**" and Waste Management etc.
- (v) Cleaning and branding of all sanitation assets like litter bins, toilets etc. in the schools;
- (vi) Awareness rallies in the community on the importance of waste segregation at source, alternatives to Single Use Plastic (SUP) etc.;
- (vii) Quiz and Painting on "Swachhata Hi Sewa" and "Garbage free India" theme;
- (viii) Formation of Sanitation Clubs in the schools;
- (ix) School level Cultural events promoting the sanitation journey of the country;
- (x) Sensitization by teachers to the students on the importance of Shramdan, Swachhata and community service in morning assemblies;

4. Further, in order to give adequate social media outreach to the Swachhata Hi Sewa (SHS) 2023 campaign, including Shramdaan activity, must be well documented and with high resolution photography and videography. Pictures of on-ground activities are to be uploaded on the link given below. States/UTs may widely use a tagline '**Garbage Free India**' on social and print media while promoting the campaign and may also share the

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participation details of the students and schools with the Ministry on the link given below:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1gP24sdwrOlpC_klf4ihDDdC8EwNhXs2_78XRliFv8OE/edit#gid=0

5. Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti and Hon'ble Minister of Housing & Urban Affairs, will be jointly launched the SHS-2023 on 15th September 2023 through a virtual programme and they will have a 'Samvaad' with Sarpanches, Block Pramukhs, Mayors, Chairperson Zila Parishads, DM/DCs along with other Officials of rural and urban local bodies, DRMs and other district level officials of line ministries including DoSEL. VC link shall be shared via email shortly.

6. In view of the above, I urge you to direct all your respective schools to proactively participate in the Swachhata Hi Sewa (SHS) 2023 campaign and turn it into a huge success and also share the participation status with this department regularly through the above mentioned link.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(Sanjay Kumar)

To

The Additional Chief Secretaries/ Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries, in-charge of School Education, of all States/UTs.

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With the request that they may kindly upload details of SHS activities, in the organizations under their control on given link.

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Dated: 27th June, 2023

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please refer to my DO letter of even no. dated 3rd May 2023 regarding observing of Swachhata Pakhwada, 2023 from 1st to 15th September, 2023 (Copy enclosed).

2. In the aforesaid communication, a calendar of activities was suggested for observing Swachhata Pakhwada, 2023 in a befitting manner. Your State/UT would have finalized the action plan for observing Swachhata Pakhwada, 2023 in all schools and educational institutions, which may kindly be shared with this Department.

3. The Head Teacher/ Principal of the schools may act as Nodal person for conducting activities under the Swachhata Pakhwada. The participation of the school children may be duly reported by the Head of the school/ institution, which may be consolidated and reported to this Department in an online mode. State-wise consolidated figure of the participation in your State/ UT may be communicated to this Department through Google Tracker. The photographs and videos of the activities undertaken during the Pakhwada may be sent to this Department and uploaded on *Google Tracker/ Drive*.

4. The details of Swachhata Pakhwada Google Tracker and Drive created for this purpose are as under:

Swachhata Pakhwada Google Tracker link:-

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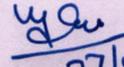
The steps for accessing the Tracker and Drive are enclosed at **Annexure**.



5. It is requested that the **Google Tracker** may be updated DAILY by 8.00 PM from 30th August 2023 to 18th September 2023 for the different Pakhwada activities so as to communicate the consolidated figure of participation to Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation.

Regards

Yours sincerely,


27/06/23
(Vipin Kumar)

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Steps for accessing the Swachhata Pakhwada Google Tracker and Drive – 2023 for States, UTs and Autonomous Organizations

1. User must have Gmail account.
2. Two User ID's (Gmail id) per State /UT will be given access from which the data would get uploaded on Swachhta Pakhwada tracker.
3. Send the request on “**swachhtapakhwada2023@gmail.com**” for having access to Google tracker and drive.
4. The data needs to be updated daily by 8.00 pm for day specific activity along with High Resolution photographs, videos and other publicity material.
5. After getting the permission for accessing the tracker:
 - (a) User can simply login into their registered Gmail account,
 - (b) Copy the available link of tracker and paste in browser (Google chrome),
 - (c) Swachhata Pakhwada Tracker will open,
 - (d) Go to your State/UT specific row, update the information for daily activity as mentioned in tracker.
 - (e) Select “YES/NO” from the option whether the material (photographs, videos and other publicity material) is uploaded Google drive,
 - (f) Next, click on “LINK” available in the tracker, it will redirect /navigate the user in to pre specified folder on Google drive, user can now add or upload the Photos, videos or publicity material for daily activity.
 - (g) User may directly upload or add the material in their State/UT folder available on Google drive from the link as provided. (drive link as provided)
6. Do not edit, modify or delete the pre-defined format for tracker.
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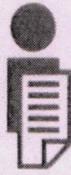
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NOTE: All the States/UTs are requested to kindly share the details of NODAL OFFICER (Name, Designation, Contact number and Email ID) for giving the access to the tracker.



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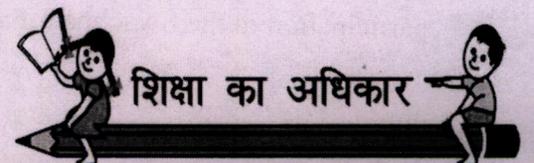
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4. **The following activities may also be undertaken by the teachers and administration of the schools:**

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5. Further, in order to give impetus to the Swachhata drive and create mass awareness, it is requested that the following activities may be undertaken at the State level:

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6. **Suggested Action plan for Swachhata Pakhwada, 2023 (1st – 15th September, 2023) is enclosed at Annexure.** You are accordingly requested to take necessary action and issue necessary instructions to district authorities, the schools/educational institutions, so as to ensure participation of students, teachers, parents, local people and representative etc., whole heartedly in the Swachhata Pakhwada during 1st – 15th September, 2023 and make the Swachhata Pakhwada successful. **Covid appropriate behaviour may also be followed while observing Swachhata Pakhwada 2023.**

7. You are requested to kindly intimate the number of schools and students participated in the Pakhwada, activity-wise in your State/UT to this Department. Photographs, video, films etc. together with highlights of each day of the Pakhwada may be uploaded on daily basis on the **Google tracker** (Data) and **Google drive** (Photos, Videos and Pictures).

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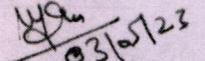
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10. The best performing State/UTs/Organisations may be recognized based on their participation in the Swachhata Pakhwada.

11. It is reiterated that schools may be encouraged to continue the activities related to cleanliness and hygiene highlighted during Swachhata Pakhwada on a consistent and sustainable basis by integrating with regular routine throughout the year.

Yours sincerely,

Best Wishes,


03/05/23
(Vipin Kumar)

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Suggested Action Plan for Swachhata Pakhwada (1-15 September, 2023)

1.9.2023 (Friday)

SwachhataShapath Day

- SwachhataShapath function may be organized wherein all students and teachers/staff may participate. Children to speak about and take pledge for Swachhata.
- Swachhata awareness message to be posted on the website of the Department/Organisations/Schools.
- Electronic banners may be created and uploaded on the departmental/state web portals to highlight the observance of the Swachhata Pakhwada. Publicity and awareness generation may be done through use of social media, as well as electronic and print media.
- **Upload the number of students who took SwachhataShapath and the number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

2.9.2023 & 3.9.2023 (Saturday & Sunday)

Swachhata Awareness Days

- Holding meeting of SMCs/SMDCs/PTAs to highlight the importance of cleanliness & sanitation and importance of Hand-washing, Use of Mask & Social Distancing among children, parents and teachers and to encourage and inspire them for hygiene and sanitation in school as well as home.
- Teachers to inspect sanitary facilities in each and every corner of school/ institution to do a quick assessment and make proposal/plan for upkeep of the facilities.
- Adaptation for WASH facilities (hand wash facility, daily cleaning and disinfection, toilet/ urinal use, water facility use, ventilation, waste management, O&M etc) may be discussed with the local representatives. This may include ensuring - adequate, clean and separate toilets for girls and boys, supplies like - soap, handwash and safe water, disinfectants, cleaning staff etc.
- A status check/review can be done for piped water supply connection in the school in view of Jal Jeevan mission.
- A status check and augmentation plan with regard to water harvesting systems in the school may be taken up in view of the current **Jal Shakti Abhiyan - Catch The Rain, 2023 campaign**
- Extensive cleaning/disinfection of toilets, MDM kitchen, classrooms, fans, doors, windows, clearing bushes in the campus to be undertaken. The local community may be involved in these activities with the participation of SMCs/PTAs and local representatives.
- Weeding out/recording of the old files, records as per procedure.
- All kinds of waste material like broken furniture, unusable equipment, defunct vehicles etc. should be completely removed from the premises of schools/institutions.

- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

4.9.2023& 5.9.2023 (Monday& Tuesday)

Community Outreach Days

- All teachers may visit nearby villages to address the local communities on Swachhata, with special focus on sustaining toilet usage, and taking up waste management work in their areas. They may also sensitize local community to stop wasting of water resources and to make them aware about water conservation and ongoing Jal Shakti Abhiyan.
- Teachers' Day may be celebrated appropriately in each school.
- Teachers and students in association with local representatives should propagate the theme of Swachhata Pakhwada among public in local areas.
- **Upload number of teachers participating in the community outreach activities on Google Tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google Drive.**

6.9.2023 (Wednesday)

Green School Drive Day

- Students may be asked to come out with imaginative slogans, posters and pamphlets on different themes such as water conservation, eliminating single use plastic etc, which can be later displayed in school exhibitions and on village/ town walls/ school premises.
- To educate students learn about conservation of water. To sensitize students about the impact of scarcity of water. To empower students to learn to protect the natural sources of water. To help every students to save at least one litre of water per day. To encourage students towards judicious use and minimum wastage of water at home and school.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

7.9.2023& 8.9.2023 (Thursday& Friday)

Swachhata Participation Days

- Competitions can be held in districts/blocks/clusters for clean and well-maintained premises and toilets in schools.
- Essay, Slogan, Elocution, Quiz, Painting, Skit, Poem, slogan writing competitions and Model making competition on Swachhata.
- Debates on Swachhata.
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9.9.2023 & 10.9.2023 (Saturday & Sunday)

Hand Wash Days

- Create Awareness on the need for proper hand wash in daily life.
- Children should be taught proper method/steps/moments, timings of hand washing with soap before and after eating.
- Barrier free access to the drinking water and toilet facilities for Divyang students may be reviewed and ensured.
- Students may be taught about checking wastage of water.
- Water from hand washing unit to be channeled to school gardens.
- Children may be taught about the water borne diseases/diseases, safe handling of drinking water so that they practice proper hand and oral hygiene.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

11.9.2023 (Monday)

Personal Hygiene Day

- Audio visual programme to be undertaken to motivate students/employees and other for maintaining cleanliness.
- Students will learn about proper way of cutting and keeping nails clean, daily bathing with clean water, wearing clean cloths, no spitting in open, wearing shoes/ slippers etc. (also – wearing mask correctly, no hand shaking, respiratory hygiene, not sharing personal items with others).
- Students will be taught the hygienic manner of using toilets and drinking water facilities.
- Students may be made aware of the importance of brushing teeth twice a day by making it routine habit.
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12.9.2023 (Tuesday)

Swachhata School Exhibition Day

- **Essay/ Slogan/ Poem writing, Painting, Elocution, Quiz, Model making, Photographs, Cartoons** etc. made by students on Swachhata activities may be displayed in School/Education Department's website.
- State may document some of these exhibits.
- Making artefacts at home using local recycled-raw material for storage of waste i.e., artistic dustbins using local skills promoting their culture.
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13.9.2023 and 14.9.2023 (Wednesday & Thursday)

Swachhata Action Plan Days

- SMC/SDMC to create awareness among students, parents and local people about the Swachhata Action Plan of the school under the Samagra Shiksha scheme.
- Convene small group meeting of Bal Sansad/School Cabinet specially to discuss the Swachhata Pakhwada activities in the school.
- Encourage community members and students to make suggestions as to what new activities can be included under Swachhata Pakhwada and forward such suggestions to DoSEL, MoE.
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15.9.2023 (Friday)

Prize Distribution Day

- Prize distribution for participation of children, teachers and parents in competitions viz. Painting, Essay, Debate, Quiz, Slogan, Inter-school and Crafting, model making etc. using waste to encourage Swachhata.
- All Schools/educational institutions may sum up their activities and work undertaken during the Pakhwada and select best activity for forwarding to district/state authority for uploading on the website i.e. in public domain.
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11. It is reiterated that schools may be encouraged to continue the activities related to cleanliness and hygiene highlighted during Swachhata Pakhwada on a consistent and sustainable basis by integrating with regular routine throughout the year.

Yours sincerely,

Best wishes,

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03/05/23
(Vipin Kumar)

To

1. The Principal Secretaries/Secretaries (School Education) of all States/UTs.
2. The SPDs, Samagra Shiksha of all States/UTs

Copy for similar action to:-

1. Chairman, CBSE
2. Chairman, CISCE
3. Commissioner, KVS
4. Commissioner, NVS
5. Director, NCERT
6. Chairman, NIOS

With the request that they may kindly upload details of Swachhata Pakhwada activities in organizations under their control on the Google Tracker/Drive.

Copy for information to:-

1. PS to Shiksha Mantri
2. Sr. PPS to Secretary (SE&L)
3. Secretary, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of DWS.
4. NIC cell – for uploading on the website.

**Ministry of Education
Department of School Education & Literacy**

Suggested Action Plan for Swachhata Pakhwada (1-15 September, 2023)

1.9.2023 (Friday)

SwachhataShapath Day

- SwachhataShapath function may be organized wherein all students and teachers/staff may participate. Children to speak about and take pledge for Swachhata.
- Swachhata awareness message to be posted on the website of the Department/Organisations/Schools.
- Electronic banners may be created and uploaded on the departmental/state web portals to highlight the observance of the Swachhata Pakhwada. Publicity and awareness generation may be done through use of social media, as well as electronic and print media.
- **Upload the number of students who took SwachhataShapath and the number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

2.9.2023 & 3.9.2023 (Saturday & Sunday)

Swachhata Awareness Days

- Holding meeting of SMCs/SMDCs/PTAs to highlight the importance of cleanliness & sanitation and importance of Hand-washing, Use of Mask & Social Distancing among children, parents and teachers and to encourage and inspire them for hygiene and sanitation in school as well as home.
- Teachers to inspect sanitary facilities in each and every corner of school/ institution to do a quick assessment and make proposal/plan for upkeep of the facilities.
- Adaptation for WASH facilities (hand wash facility, daily cleaning and disinfection, toilet/ urinal use, water facility use, ventilation, waste management, O&M etc) may be discussed with the local representatives. This may include ensuring - adequate, clean and separate toilets for girls and boys, supplies like – soap, handwash and safe water, disinfectants, cleaning staff etc.
- A status check/review can be done for piped water supply connection in the school in view of Jal Jeevan mission.
- A status check and augmentation plan with regard to water harvesting systems in the school may be taken up in view of the current **Jal Shakti Abhiyan - Catch The Rain, 2023 campaign**
- Extensive cleaning/disinfection of toilets, MDM kitchen, classrooms, fans, doors, windows, clearing bushes in the campus to be undertaken. The local community may be involved in these activities with the participation of SMCs/PTAs and local representatives.
- Weeding out/recording of the old files, records as per procedure.
- All kinds of waste material like broken furniture, unusable equipment, defunct vehicles etc. should be completely removed from the premises of schools/institutions.

- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

4.9.2023& 5.9.2023 (Monday& Tuesday)

Community Outreach Days

- All teachers may visit nearby villages to address the local communities on Swachhata, with special focus on sustaining toilet usage, and taking up waste management work in their areas. They may also sensitize local community to stop wasting of water resources and to make them aware about water conservation and ongoing Jal Shakti Abhiyan.
- Teachers' Day may be celebrated appropriately in each school.
- Teachers and students in association with local representatives should propagate the theme of Swachhata Pakhwada among public in local areas.
- **Upload number of teachers participating in the community outreach activities on Google Tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google Drive.**

6.9.2023 (Wednesday)

Green School Drive Day

- Students may be asked to come out with imaginative slogans, posters and pamphlets on different themes such as water conservation, eliminating single use plastic etc, which can be later displayed in school exhibitions and on village/ town walls/ school premises.
- To educate students learn about conservation of water. To sensitize students about the impact of scarcity of water. To empower students to learn to protect the natural sources of water. To help every students to save at least one litre of water per day. To encourage students towards judicious use and minimum wastage of water at home and school.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

7.9.2023& 8.9.2023 (Thursday& Friday)

Swachhata Participation Days

- Competitions can be held in districts/blocks/clusters for clean and well-maintained premises and toilets in schools.
- Essay, Slogan, Elocution, Quiz, Painting, Skit, Poem, slogan writing competitions and Model making competition on Swachhata.
- Debates on Swachhata.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

9.9.2023 & 10.9.2023 (Saturday & Sunday)

Hand Wash Days

- Create Awareness on the need for proper hand wash in daily life.
- Children should be taught proper method/steps/moments, timings of hand washing with soap before and after eating.
- Barrier free access to the drinking water and toilet facilities for Divyang students may be reviewed and ensured.
- Students may be taught about checking wastage of water.
- Water from hand washing unit to be channeled to school gardens.
- Children may be taught about the water borne diseases/diseases, safe handling of drinking water so that they practice proper hand and oral hygiene.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

11.9.2023 (Monday)

Personal Hygiene Day

- Audio visual programme to be undertaken to motivate students/employees and other for maintaining cleanliness.
- Students will learn about proper way of cutting and keeping nails clean, daily bathing with clean water, wearing clean cloths, no spitting in open, wearing shoes/ slippers etc. (also – wearing mask correctly, no hand shaking, respiratory hygiene, not sharing personal items with others).
- Students will be taught the hygienic manner of using toilets and drinking water facilities.
- Students may be made aware of the importance of brushing teeth twice a day by making it routine habit.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

12.9.2023 (Tuesday)

Swachhata School Exhibition Day

- **Essay/ Slogan/ Poem writing, Painting, Elocution, Quiz, Model making Photographs, Cartoons** etc. made by students on Swachhata activities may be displayed in School/Education Department's website.
- State may document some of these exhibits.
- Making artefacts at home using local recycled-raw material for storage of waste i.e., artistic dustbins using local skills promoting their culture.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

13.9.2023 and 14.9.2023 (Wednesday & Thursday)

Swachhata Action Plan Days

- SMC/SDMC to create awareness among students, parents and local people about the Swachhata Action Plan of the school under the Samagra Shiksha scheme.
- Convene small group meeting of Bal Sansad/School Cabinet specially to discuss the Swachhata Pakhwada activities in the school.
- Encourage community members and students to make suggestions as to what new activities can be included under Swachhata Pakhwada and forward such suggestions to DoSEL, MoE.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**

15.9.2023 (Friday)

Prize Distribution Day

- Prize distribution for participation of children, teachers and parents in competitions viz. Painting, Essay, Debate, Quiz, Slogan, Inter-school and Crafting, model making etc. using waste to encourage Swachhata.
- All Schools/educational institutions may sum up their activities and work undertaken during the Pakhwada and select best activity for forwarding to district/state authority for uploading on the website i.e. in public domain.
- **Upload number of schools participated on Google tracker and photos, videos and publicity material on Google drive.**
