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## **CIRCULAR**

Sub: Swachhata Pakhwada from 1<sup>st</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 in all the Schools under Directorate of Education

In pursuance of the D.O letter No. F.28-3/2023-IS-10 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 received from Joint Secretary, Department of School Education &Literacy, Ministry of Education GOI (copy enclosed). The Swachhata Pakhwada will be observed from 1<sup>st</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 in all the Schools of Directorate of Education.

In the context, all DDEs (Districts) are requested to direct the Head of schools in their respective districts to organize 'Swachhata Pakhwada' in their schools. For observing the 'Pakhwada' in a befitting manner, the DDEs (District) shall ensure that all the Head of Schools will undertake the following day-wise action plan to make this 'Pakhwada' successful.

Swachhata Pakhwada,2023 activities may be focused on three major precautionary practices ,i.e.(i)Hand-washing, (ii)Use of Mask and(iii)Social Distancing; and on 3Ts(Trace,Testing and Treat).To observe Swachhata Pakhwada in a systematic manner, the schools/ institutions may be instructed to undertake the following suggested participatory activities from 1<sup>st</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September:

- (i) Swachhata Shapath may be organised in all schools and educational institutions wherein all students and teachers/staff may participate.
- (ii) Holding meeting (in small groups) of SMCs/SMDCs/PTAs or between parents and teachers in the first week of the Pakhwada to highlight the importance of cleanliness & sanitation and importance of Hand-washing, Use of Mask & Social Distancing among children and teachers; and to encourage and inspire them to continue with the good practices for hygiene and sanitation in school as well as home.
- (iii) Teachers to inspect water and sanitary facilities in every school/institution, do a quick assessment of water, sanitation and hygiene facilities and make proposal/plan for repair and upkeep of the facilities, if required.
- (iv) Competitions for clean and well-maintained premises and toilets in schools.
- (v) Painting/Essay/Quiz/Slogan writing/model making, Elocution competition for students on cleanliness and hygiene practices in school.
- (vi) Swachhata awareness messages to be posted on the website of the

- Organisation/Schools/State, School Education Department. Alternatively, photographs on Swachhata may be displayed in schools.
- (vii) All teachers and school heads may complete the online training module provided on DIKSHA in English and Hindi on WASH related precautions for School, if they have not done so yet.

## The following activities may also be undertaken by the teachers and administration of the schools:

- (i) All kinds of waste material like sanitation waste, used and disposed masks, broken furniture, unusable equipment, defunct vehicles etc. should be completely removed from the premises of schools/ institutions and disposed off as per procedure.
- (ii) Banning use of single use of plastics with in school premises.
- (iii) Teachers and students in association with local representative should propagate the theme of the Pakhwada among family members, neighbors, citizens in nearby areas.
- (iv) Awareness about stopping use of Single Use Plastic and mitigation of plastic pollution, while adhering to 3 R (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) principle.
- (v) Daily cleaning and disinfection of frequently used surfaces.

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:

- (a) Audio visual programme/IEC material to be created to motivate students/ employees and others on Swachhata and water conservation.
- (b) Electronic banners may be created and uploaded on the departmental /state web portals to highlight the observance of the Pakhwada. Publicity and awareness generation may be done through use of social media, as well, as electronic and print media.

# <u>Suggested Action plan for Swachhata Pakhwada, 2023(1<sup>st</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> September,2023) is enclosed at Annexure-l</u>

Schools are accordingly requested to take necessary action and issue necessary instructions to ensure participation of students, teachers, parents, local people and representative etc., whole heartedly in the Swachhata Pakhwada during 1<sup>st</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> September,2023 and make the Swachhata Pakhwada successful.

DDE(Districts) are requested to kindly intimate the number of schools and students participated in the Pakhwada, activity-wise in their District to the Samagra Shiksha-Delhi. 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).

## The details of Google Tracker and Drive is given at Annexure-II.

It is requested that the Google Tracker may be updated DAILY by 8:00 PM from 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023 to 17<sup>th</sup> September ,2023 on daily-basis for the different activities.

The best performing Schools may be recognized in your district based on their participation in the Swachhata Pakhwada.

It is reiterated that children 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.

All the District DDEs shall compile a detailed report in r/o of SwachhataPakhwada and send the same to Samagra Shiksha-Delhi through email at swacchtapakhwadassdelhi2023@gmail.com

This is issued with prior approval of Competent Authority.

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## Copy to:

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Deputy Director of Education Samagra Shiksha- Delhi

## 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

Quiz, Model writing, Painting, Elocution. Slogan/ Poem Essay/ makingPhotographs, 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.

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