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Activity: Organizing **Green Drives /Plantation Drives** in the Premises having green area.

Campaigns on Discarding the use of Single Use Plastics and awareness on recycling of waste water, water harvesting for agriculture/ horticulture application/kitchen gardens in residential colonies/ 1-2 nearby villages.

Crop Science Division

Indian Institute of Wheat and Barley Research, Karnal

Activity: Green Drives/Plantation Drives

Number of participants: 56

On December 20th, 2025, cleanliness drive was organized as part of the ongoing Swachhta Pakhwada (16th to 31st December 2025). The event featured enthusiastic green/plantation drives in the campus's lush green areas, where staff, scientists, and local participants planted native saplings to enhance biodiversity in the campus. Simultaneously, campaigns raised awareness about discarding single-use plastics, distributing eco-friendly alternatives and encouraging resident to reduce plastic pollution. Interactive session was also organized in the campus to educate the residents on wastewater recycling, rainwater harvesting techniques, establishing sustainable gardens in residential colonies and promoting water conservation in line with the Swachh Bharat Mission's sustainability goals.

Enhanced community engagement, measurable environmental benefits like increased green cover area in the campus and reduced plastic waste, and alignment with sustainable development goals.



Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR), Hyderabad

Activity: Green Drives/Plantation Drives

Number of participants: 20

Organized Plantation program in the premises of ICAR - Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad, near New Farm Section building at GTC Field Area.

Organized Plantation program in the premises of ICAR - Indian Institute of Millets Research, Hyderabad Campus area near New Farm Section building at GTC Field Area.



India Institute of Maize Research, Ludhiana

Activity: Green Drives/Plantation Drives

Number of participants: 26

Swachhata Pakhwada was celebrated at Winter Nursery Centre, ICAR-IIMR, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad on 20th December, 2025 involving all the staffs of WNC, Hyderabad. Total 26 members were present and involved in plantation drive within the campus. Staffs were actively involved in planting the flowering plants in order to improve the aesthetic and beautification of the campus.



ICAR-Indian Institute of Groundnut Research, Junagadh

Number of participants: 18

A Green/Plantation Drive was organized at ICAR-IIGR as part of the "Swachhata Pakhwada" initiative, where saplings of native tree species were planted on the campus. The drive saw active participation from staff members, aiming to raise awareness about the importance of trees in improving air quality, conserving biodiversity and combating climate change. This initiative contributed to beautifying the campus and reinforcing the institute's commitment to environmental sustainability. Successful plantation of numerous native tree saplings, enhancing the green cover of the ICAR-IIGR campus. The event not only beautified the campus but also laid the foundation for long-term sustainability efforts, encouraging participants to adopt greener practices in their daily lives.



Indian Institute of Pulses Research, Kanpur

Number of participants: 15

स्वच्छता के बारे में लोगों को जागरूक किया गया तथा आगे भी स्वच्छता को बनाये रखने हेतु कहा गया। संस्थान में आज दिनांक 20.12.2025 में पूर्व में निर्धारित कार्यक्रम के अनुसार मुख्य फार्म पर प्लांटेशन का कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया | जिसमें संस्थान के डॉ आई. पी. सिंह, प्रधान वैज्ञानिक, श्री आर.के. एस. यादव, तकनीकी अधिकारी व अन्य आधिकारियों एवं कर्मचारियों ने भाग लिया | इसके साथ ही साथ स्वच्छता कैंपियन का आयोजन किया गया व Single Use Plastic के बारे में लोगो को जागरूक किया गया | सम्बंधित कार्य क्रम में collect की गयी फोटोग्राफ सलंग की जा रही है |



Indian Sugarcane Research Institute, Lucknow

Number of participants: 35

Key outcomes:

As part of **Swachhata Pakhwada (16–31 December 2025)**, **Green drives and plantation** activities were organized on 20.12.2025 at the ICAR-ISRI colony and farm in premises to promote environmental sustainability. Campaigns were conducted to discourage the use of single-use plastics and to create awareness about eco-friendly alternatives. Awareness programmes on recycling of wastewater and water harvesting were also undertaken, emphasizing their application in agriculture, horticulture, kitchen gardens, and residential colonies. These activities helped in promoting environmental consciousness and sustainable practices among staff members and the surrounding community. The activity was coordinated by Dr. Dilip Kumar and the team. In addition, the staff of ICAR–ISRI, Regional Station, KVK also participated in the activities at their respective places.

Enhanced green cover through plantation drives at the ISRI colony. Awareness among participants on reducing and eliminating the use of single-use plastics. Adoption of eco-friendly and resource-efficient practices within residential colonies. Strengthen community participation and commitment towards environmental conservation and sustainability initiatives.



Central Research Institute for Jute & Allied Fibres, Barrackpore

Number of participants: 20

A plantation drive in connection with Swachhta Pakhwada 2025 has been organized inside the campus of ICAR-CRIJAF, Barrackpore. Five (05) arecanut saplings were planted and also focused on spreading awareness about environmental sustainability practices such as reducing the use of single-use plastics, recycling wastewater, and promoting water harvesting for agricultural, horticultural, and kitchen garden applications among the farmers and agricultural worker.

The main objective of this programme is to combat many environmental issues like deforestation, erosion of soil, desertification in semi-arid areas, global warming and hence enhancing the beauty and balance of the environment As a result of this plantation drive programme, it is expected to contribute positively toward environmental improvement and promote a cleaner and greener ecosystem.



Central Institute for Cotton Research, Nagpur & its Regional Stations at Sirsa and Coimbatore

Number of participants: 52 As part of the ongoing Swachhata Pakhwada (16–31 December 2025), a series of focused Green/ Plantation drive with Ashoka and Palm trees were conducted at ICAR-CICR's Agricultural Technology Information Centre (ATIC), Nagpur, Lawn on 20 December 2025 under the guidance of Dr. V. N. Waghmare, Director, ICAR-CICR, Nagpur. Further, he also visited the cleanliness, sanitation and shraamdaan activities conducted by swachhata committee. In this program, permanent staff, and contractual staff were participated. This Plantation drive activity coordinated by Mr. RV. Salame, Sr. Farm superintendent and, Mr. Sujit Kumbhare (Senior Technician) along with Swachhata Committee.



National Bureau of Agricultural Insect Resources, Bengaluru

Activity: Green Drives/Plantation Drives

Number of participants: 25

Organized plantation drive in the Yelahanka campus especially in butterfly garden and avenue plantation. Participants sensitized about importance of plantation drive, recycling of waste water and water harvesting for the effective use in their home and field.



Vivekanand Parvatiya Krishi Anusandhaan Sansthan, Almora

Number of participants: 35

As part of Swachhata Pakhwada (16–31 December, 2025) and in alignment with activities related to organizing green drives and plantation initiatives, ICAR–VPKAS organized a plantation and environmental cleanliness programme on 20 December 2025 at the Experimental Farm, Hawalbagh, Almora. The programme involved plantation of oak (*Quercus spp.*) saplings at the Fodder Block, Attadar Sector of the Experimental Farm, with the objective of promoting native tree species, enhancing green cover, and supporting ecological sustainability. In addition, a cleanliness drive was undertaken at the water body “Sundar Tal”, where accumulated waste, weeds, and unwanted materials were removed to improve water hygiene and aesthetics. Further, field cleaning operations were carried out by cutting and removing unwanted and invasive plants to prepare the area for replantation of healthy and desirable tree species. The activity emphasized environmental conservation, sustainable land management, and collective responsibility towards maintaining clean and green surroundings. The key outcomes included plantation of native oak saplings contributing to long-term ecological sustainability. Improved cleanliness and restoration of the water body Sundar Tal. Preparation of land for future plantation through removal of unwanted vegetation. Enhanced awareness among participants regarding environmental protection, green practices, and cleanliness.



Indian Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology, Ranchi

Number of participants: 20

In continuation of the Swachhata Pakhwada programme (16–31 December, 2025), a green/plantation drive was successfully conducted on 20th December 2025 at the ICAR–Indian Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology (ICAR-IIAB), Ranchi, Jharkhand. The activity was organized with the objective of enhancing green cover and promoting environmental sustainability within the institute campus. During the programme, different perennial plant saplings were planted in and around the Livestock Research and Training Centre, Farm B,

ICAR-IIAB, Ranchi. The plantation drive witnessed active participation from staff members, students, and Young Professionals, reflecting collective commitment towards environmental conservation. The event was led by Dr. Jayanta Layek, with active involvement of Dr. Kartik Sharma and Mr. Kamal Kishore. On this occasion, Dr. Layek briefly highlighted the importance of plants in human life and their crucial role in maintaining ecological balance by supporting various components of the ecosystem. In addition to campus plantation, saplings were also distributed among farm labourers to encourage plantation at their homes, thereby extending the impact of the initiative beyond the institute premises. Overall, the activity contributed positively towards environmental awareness, campus beautification, and the objectives of Swachhata Pakhwada.



National Institute of Seed Science & Technology, Mau

Activity: Green Drives/Plantation Drives

Number of participants: 20

The plantation drive was carried out in the campus of National Institute of Seed Science & Technology, Mau under the Swachhata Pakhwada 16-31 December, 2025. The saplings of Ashok and Gulmohar trees were planted by the Director of the institute and all other staff members on 20.12.2025. Some seasonal plants were also planted in campus garden. This plantation drive will increase the aesthetic value of the campus.



National Institute of Plant Biotechnology, New Delhi

Number of participants: 18

Key outcomes:

Green Drives and Plantation Drives were organized at **ICAR–National Institute for Plant Biotechnology (ICAR-NIPB), New Delhi** in the institute premises and nearby green areas under the coordination of **Dr. Ashish Kumar**, with active participation of **Dr. Deepak Bisht** and **Mr. Lakhan Singh** as members. The initiative focused on enhancing greenery through plantation activities and promoting environmental sustainability. Awareness campaigns were conducted to discourage the use of single-use plastics and to educate participants on effective waste segregation and recycling practices. In addition, awareness programmes on recycling of wastewater and rainwater harvesting were organized for agricultural, horticultural, and kitchen garden applications, benefiting residents of nearby residential colonies.

- Successful plantation of plant saplings in identified green areas, contributing to improved biodiversity and ecological balance.
- Increased awareness among participants about the environmental hazards of single-use plastics and the need for sustainable alternatives.



National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources, New Delhi

Number of participants: 15

In the old campus of ICAR-NBPGR, a green drive was carried out by planting new plants. Staff was made aware of discarding the use of single use plastic bags and instead use recyclable, paper, cloth or jute bags for day-to-day use. Staff was also educated on recycling and reuse of water for gardening as well as washing. They were informed that the drains of house kitchens and bathrooms may be designed in such a way that the wastewater may directly be released in kitchen gardens or nearby residential parks for watering plants and green vegetation.



Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Assam

Number of participants: 30

Organizing **Green Drives /Plantation Drives** in the premises having green area. Campaigns on Discarding the use of Single Use Plastics and awareness on recycling of waste water, water harvesting for agriculture/ horticulture application/ kitchen gardens in residential colonies/ 1-2 nearby villages.



Animal Science

भाकृअनुप – केन्द्रीय भेड़ एवं ऊन अनुसन्धान संस्थान, अठिकानगर

दैनिक स्वच्छता रिपोर्ट 20.12.2025

भारतीय कृषि अनुसंधान परिषद के दिशा-निर्देशों के अनुरूप स्वच्छता पखवाड़ा-2025 के अंतर्गत आज दिनांक 20 दिसंबर 2025 को केन्द्रीय भेड़ एवं ऊन अनुसंधान संस्थान, अठिकानगर में टोंक जिला कलेक्टर श्रीमती कल्पना अग्रवाल द्वारा संस्थान का भ्रमण किया गया एवं बकरी इकाई पर स्वच्छता कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया।

संस्थान निदेशक डॉ. अरुण कुमार तोमर द्वारा जिला कलेक्टर महोदया का स्वागत करते हुए संस्थान द्वारा किसानों एवं पशुपालकों के हित में संचालित विभिन्न योजनाओं, अनुसंधान गतिविधियों तथा क्षेत्रीय विस्तार कार्यक्रमों की विस्तृत जानकारी दी गई। इसके पश्चात जिला कलेक्टर महोदया द्वारा संस्थान के बकरी सेक्टर, भेड़-बकरी शेड, चारा उत्पादन क्षेत्र एवं खुराक इकाइयों का निरीक्षण किया गया तथा पशुपालन से किसानों को होने वाली आजीविका एवं प्रशिक्षण गतिविधियों की जानकारी प्राप्त की गई।

स्वच्छता कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत बकरी सेक्टर परिसर, पशु शेड, चारा भंडारण क्षेत्र, आवागमन मार्गों एवं आसपास के खुले स्थलों की समुचित साफ-सफाई की गई। अपशिष्ट पदार्थों का विधिवत संग्रह कर सुरक्षित निस्तारण किया गया। जिला कलेक्टर महोदया द्वारा स्वच्छता पखवाड़ा-2025 में भाग लेते हुए संस्थान परिसर की स्वच्छता व्यवस्था की सराहना की गई तथा कहा गया कि इस प्रकार के स्वच्छता अभियान को जिले के सभी शासकीय कार्यालयों एवं संस्थानों में नियमित रूप से अपनाया जाना चाहिए, जिससे भारत सरकार के स्वच्छ भारत अभियान को जन-जन की भागीदारी से सफल बनाया जा सके।

इस अवसर पर विभाग अध्यक्ष डॉ. सिद्धार्थ सारथी मिश्रा, डॉ. पी. के. मालिक, डॉ. सत्यवीर सिंह डागी, डॉ. मेघा पांडे सहित संस्थान के वैज्ञानिकगण, अधिकारीगण, कर्मचारीगण एवं सेक्टर कर्मियों द्वारा सक्रिय सहयोग प्रदान किया गया।





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16 – 31 दिसम्बर 2025

स्वच्छता ही सेवा अभियान 2025, 16 से 31 दिसम्बर 2025 तक “स्वच्छ भारत दिवस उत्सव” थीम के साथ पूरे देश में मनाया जा रहा है। इसी क्रम में आज दिनांक 20.12.2025 को केंद्रीय बकरी अनुसन्धान संस्थान के कृषि प्रछेत्र के हर्बल गार्डन पर वृक्षारोपण का कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया, इस अवसर पर संस्थान के निदेशक डॉ मनीष कुमार चेटली जी ने वृक्षारोपण के महत्त्व को समझाते बताया कि यह कार्यक्रम जैव विविधता और स्वच्छता के महत्त्व पर महत्त्वपूर्ण सरहनीय कार्य है और साथ साथ स्वच्छता के महत्त्व पर जोर देने के लिए प्रेरित किया। पौधे लगाना एक महत्त्वपूर्ण गतिविधि है क्योंकि यह हरित आवरण को बढ़ाने में महत्त्वपूर्ण योगदान देता है, जो पारिस्थितिक संतुलन बनाए रखने में महत्त्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाता है। पेड़ प्राकृतिक वायु शोधक के रूप में कार्य करते हैं, कार्बन डाइऑक्साइड को अवशोषित करते हैं और ऑक्सीजन छोड़ते हैं, जिससे वायु की गुणवत्ता में सुधार होता है। इसके अतिरिक्त, वे विभिन्न प्रजातियों के लिए आवास प्रदान करते हैं, जैव विविधता का समर्थन करते हैं, और कार्बन को अवशोषित करके जलवायु परिवर्तन से निपटने में मदद करते हैं। अभियान के दौरान, अन्य अधिकारी और कर्मचारियों ने विभिन्न प्रकार के पौधे लगाने में सक्रिय रूप से भाग लिया, हरित आवरण में योगदान दिया और पारिस्थितिक संतुलन को बढ़ावा दिया। इस पहल का उद्देश्य न केवल स्थानीय पर्यावरण को बेहतर बनाना है। इस अवसर संस्थान के श्री सतीश चन्द्रा (स.मुख्य.तक.अधिकारी) और श्री वी के शर्मा (तकनीकी अधिकारी), सुगड़ सिंह (तकनीकी अधिकारी), आशुतोष मिश्रा (याई पी – 1) जी ने सफल रूप से कार्यक्रम को सफल बनाया।



NRC on YAK

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1	20-12-2025	<p>As per today schedule of swachhta pakhwada, ICAR-NRC on Yak Director Dr Mihir Sarkar was guest for the plantation programme. Around 15 new plants were planted within campus area. Although it is Yak research centre our institute is having more 800 plants related to horticulture.</p>	
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ICAR-DPR, Hyderabad

Daily report: Swachhata Pakhwada activities (20/12/2025): Day 5

Cleanliness drive at nearby village Budvel, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.

Today organised cleanliness drive at nearby village Budvel, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad. Awareness program organised to educate the importance of cleanliness, plantation and green corridors, single usage of plastic, recycling of waste water management, water harvesting and importance of kitchen garden. Village people actively participated in program and shown their interest for healthy living.



National Institute of High Security Animal Diseases (NIHSAD), Bhopal

As part of **Swachhta Pakhwada**, Green Drive cum Campaign on Discouraging Single Use Plastics and Recycling of Waste Water was organised at the premises of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Sha. Balak Chaatrawas and Government Primary School, Hathai Kheda, Anand Nagar, Bhopal - 462022 from **11 AM to 12.30 PM on 20.12.2025**

A plantation drive was organized in the hostel premises. The drive witnessed active participation from ICAR-NIHSAD staff and the staff of the Hostel. They were also taught the importance and methods of recycling of water. The staff of the hostel promised to recycle the water from kitchen and bathroom to the adjoining areas. The staff of NIHSAD also submitted to help them plant more trees around the campus if they could prevent the wastage of water and recycle it for garden.

As part of “catch them young” initiative, the school children were given talk on cleanliness drive, importance of planting and saving trees, Recycling of water and prevention of wastage of water and stop using the “single use plastic bags”. Various placards with slogans on these topics were shown to them. The children actively raised the slogans. The took oath to stop using single use plastics and also take care of plants around their campus

The initiative strengthened engagement of the young children and their caretakers and promoted sustainable green initiative, recycling of water and preventing environment pollution due to use of single use plastics. The event concluded with a vote of thanks, acknowledging the active involvement and cooperation of all participants.



Green Drive cum Campaign on Discouraging Single Use Plastics and Recycling of Waste Water on 20.12.25

ICAR-Central Avian Research Institute, Izatnagar

Today (20-12-2025) under Swachhta Pakhwara Programme, the Dr Jagbir Singh Tyagi , Director, Dr. Jyoti Ploth, Professor, College of Vet. Science, GBPUA&T, Pantnagar (U S Nagar) and other employees planted trees in the new campus of the institute. The photos of the same are enclosed herewith for your record and necessary action.



Agricultural Education Division

Plantation drive was organized at the rose garden of the NAARM, Hyderabad. Every one took part in the plantation and planted different rose plants to make the campus beautiful. A total of 70 rose palnts with different varieties were planted during the programme.

Photographs of the Activity



Rose plantation at the floriculture block

Agricultural Engineering Division

ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai

Activity : Green Drive: Organizing Plantation Drives in the Premises having green area. Campaigns on Discarding the use of Single Use Plastics and awareness on recycling of waste water, water harvesting for agriculture/ horticulture application/kitchen gardens _ in residential colonies/ 1-2 nearby villages.

As a part of the implementation of Green Drive, plantation drive is organized at GTC, Nagpur, Regional Station, Surat. Campaigns on discarding the use of Single Use Plastics organized with school childrens at Dadar, Mumbai.



Plantation drive is organized at GTC, Nagpur

Plantation drive is organized at Regional Station, Surat



Plantation drive is organized at ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai



Campaign on discarding the use of Single Use Plastics with School Childrens




CIPHET, Ludhiana

Green Awareness Program Organised at ICAR-CIPHET, Abohar campus

On December 20, 2025, a green campaign/tree plantation program was successfully organized by ICAR-Central Institute of Post-Harvest Engineering and Technology (ICAR-CIPHET), Abohar and KVK to promote environmental protection. As part of this program, a green drive and tree plantation campaign were conducted in areas with lush green surroundings. Additionally, people were made aware of the importance of avoiding single-use plastics, waste recycling, water conservation and rainwater harvesting, and the use of agriculture, horticulture, and kitchen gardens. The objective of this joint initiative was to instil a sense of environmental responsibility among the general public and to take meaningful steps towards a clean, green, and sustainable future. Local residents appreciated the campaign and assured their cooperation in similar programs in the future.



ICAR-NISA, Ranchi

1.	Summary of the Activity:	<p>Awareness campaign among farmers of village Dantia made for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weed free clean and green field for maximum resource use efficiency. • Plantation of lac host plant seedlings. • Water harvesting and enhancing water use efficiency through use of drip and mulch. • A lecture was organised on simple wastewater recycling methods (reuse of greywater) and rainwater harvesting techniques for households, agriculture, and kitchen gardens. • A clean-up drives was organised to remove plastic waste in plantation area.
2.	Number of participants:	30
3.	Key Outcomes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased public awareness leading to behavioural change among people. • Adoption of wastewater recycling for gardening and non-drinking purposes, reducing freshwater consumption. • Community members becoming aware of the importance of rainwater harvesting for agriculture and household kitchen gardening. • Farmers and households adopting water-efficient practices, resulting in improved soil moisture. • Reduced plastic pollution, better waste management, improved environmental health and community well-being.
4.	<p>Photographs:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">    </div> <p>A lecture on weed free clean field by staff members of ICAR-NISA</p> <p>Spreading awareness about water harvesting and enhancing water use efficiency</p>	

ICAR-CIAE, Bhopal

ICAR-CIAE Regional Station (RS), Coimbatore successfully organized a Swachh Bharat event at its premises and in nearby two villages viz., Poosari palayam and Seera Nayakkan Palayam with the objective of promoting cleanliness, environmental sustainability, and public awareness on eco-friendly practices. The programme commenced with a tree planting drive within the ICAR-CIAE RS campus. CIAE Staff and local participants around 35 in number actively took part in planting saplings at identified locations to enhance green cover and improve the ecological balance of the campus. Emphasis was laid on planting native and drought-resistant species to ensure sustainability and better survival rates.

Following the plantation activity, a comprehensive garbage cleaning drive was carried out within the institute premises and in surrounding areas. Accumulated waste, including plastic and non-biodegradable materials, was collected and segregated. A plastic usage awareness campaign was conducted in Sathya Nagar (Poosari palayam) and Tank Bund Line (Seera Nayakkan Palayam). The campaign highlighted the harmful effects of single-use plastics on human health, soil and water resources. Villagers were encouraged to reduce, reuse, and recycle plastic materials and to adopt eco-friendly alternatives such as cloth and Chitosan Coated Jute Bags for Storage.

In addition, a water harvesting at home campaign was organized to promote efficient water conservation practices. Demonstrations and discussions were conducted to explain simple and cost-effective rainwater harvesting methods suitable for household implementation. The importance of conserving water resources, especially in the context of climate variability, was strongly emphasized.



ICAR-IASRI, New Delhi

As part of the ongoing *Swachhata Pakhwada* activities being observed from **16 December to 31 December 2025**, a **video show on the use of single-use plastics** was organised at **ICAR-IASRI on 20.12.2025** with the objective of creating awareness about the harmful effects of single-use plastics on the environment, human health, and ecosystems, and to promote sustainable alternatives.

The video show was organised for officers, scientific staff, technical staff, administrative personnel, contractual employees, and supporting staff of the institute. The programme aimed to sensitize participants to the growing problem of plastic pollution and to encourage

responsible consumption and disposal practices in line with the objectives of the *Swachhata Mission* and the Government of India's initiatives for a plastic-free environment.

The videos screened during the programme highlighted the **environmental impact of single-use plastics**, including their persistence in nature, contribution to soil and water pollution, harm to wildlife and marine life, and the challenges associated with plastic waste management. The content also emphasized the **health hazards** linked to microplastics and improper plastic disposal. Best practices and **eco-friendly alternatives** such as cloth bags, reusable containers, and biodegradable materials were showcased to motivate behavioural change.

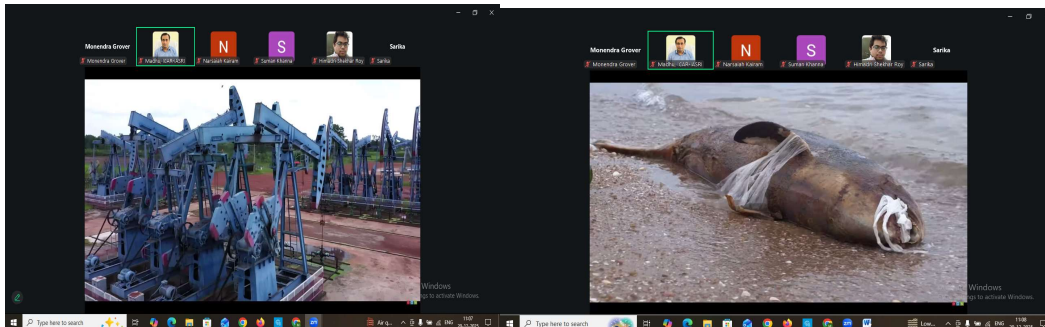
Following the video show, participants were encouraged to adopt **plastic-free practices** in their daily lives and workplaces. The importance of reducing plastic usage, reusing materials wherever possible, and ensuring proper segregation and disposal of plastic waste was reiterated. The session served as an effective platform for reinforcing the message of environmental responsibility and sustainable living.

The video show was well received by the participants and proved to be an impactful awareness activity under *Swachhata Pakhwada 2025*. It contributed to strengthening the institute's efforts towards promoting cleanliness, environmental protection, and sustainable practices.

Enhanced awareness about the adverse effects of single-use plastics

- Improved understanding of plastic waste management and sustainable alternatives
- Encouragement of plastic-free practices within the institute
- Active participation and positive response from staff members

The activity was successfully conducted and aligned with the objectives of *Swachhata Pakhwada*.



Report on Video Show on the Use of Single-Use Plastics (Organised under Swachhata Pakhwada)

NINFET, Kolkata

Date	Summary of Activities	Participants
20.12.2025	<p>As part of Swachhta Pakhwada 2025, ICAR–NINFET, Kolkata organized a Green Plantation Drive in the residential area of the Institute campus. The programme witnessed active participation from the Heads of Departments, Head of Office, senior officers, and women staff members of the Institute.</p> <p>Under this initiative, five fruit saplings were planted with the objective of promoting environmental sustainability and contributing to a greener and more balanced ecosystem for future generations.</p>	25 Nos.



Green Plantation Drive by Heads of Department,
ICAR-NINFET



Green Plantation Drive by Women Staff
Members, ICAR-NINFET

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION DIVISION

Consolidated Report on Celebration of Swachhta Pakhawada during 19 December to 21 December 2025 - Swachhta Hi Suraksha'.

			ATARI, Zone-I to XI & CIWA		
S.No.	Date	Activities	No. of KVKs involved	No. of Participants (Farmers/ Staffs/ other Participants)	No. of VIPs attended the program

1	19.12.2025	Cleanliness and sanitation drive within campuses and surroundings including residential colonies, common marketplaces. Motivate communities and institutions to adopt sustainable sanitation practices and facilities through awareness creation and health education.	734	12199	23
2	20.12.2025	Organizing Green Drives /Plantation Drives in the Premises having green area. Campaigns on Discarding the use of Single Use Plastics and awareness on recycling of wastewater, water harvesting for agriculture/ horticulture application/kitchen gardens in residential colonies/ 1-2 nearby villages.	552	8065	49
3	21.12.2025	Community Outreach: Shraamdaan activities in within surroundings including residential colonies, common marketplace, Public Health Centers (PHCs), Collages, Anganwadi's, Schools. Cleanliness and sanitation drive in the villages adopted under the Mera Gaon Mera Gaurav Programme and /or other schemes by ICAR Institutes/ KVKs involving village community.	478	5204	0
		Total		25468	72

Photographs (Swachhta Pakhawada during 19-21 December, 2025)



FISHERIES SCIENCE DIVISION

ICAR- Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture, Bhubaneswar

ICAR–Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture, Bhubaneswar successfully organised a **Green Drive Campaign** at its campus with the objective of promoting environmental sustainability and awareness. As part of the programme, **15 arecanut saplings** were planted near the ICAR-CIFA ground, highlighting the importance of tree plantation in improving green cover and ecological balance.

During the campaign, all participants actively **collected single-use plastic waste** from different locations of the ICAR-CIFA campus. Awareness was created among staff and participants on the **harmful effects of plastic pollution** and the need for **reuse and reduction of plastic materials** in daily life.

In addition, awareness sessions were conducted on **rainwater harvesting** and its role in sustainable water management. Information was also shared on the importance of **agriculture, horticulture, and kitchen gardens** for food security, nutrition, and environmental conservation. The programme encouraged eco-friendly practices and collective responsibility towards a greener future.





ICAR- Central Institute of Coldwater Fisheries Research, Bhimtal

The activities under swachhta pakhwada continued on the fifth day with participation of local community. Apart from taking care of all the green areas in the office premises, plantation drive undertaken in nearby street and locality to promote clean and green technologies. Though the waste water is being used in polyhouses, kitchen gardens, floriculture/horticulture purposes for irrigation, awareness created to utilize the water in a more effective manner. The method of sprinkling irrigation was also explained to save water. Awareness created on discarding of Single Use Plastics and recycling of waste water, water harvesting for agriculture/horticulture. The staff members of the institute alongwith the local people took part in the event.



Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai

As part of the **Swachhta Hi Seva** campaign with the theme “**Swachhotsav (स्वच्छोत्सव)**”, conducted from **16th December to 31st December 2025**, at **ICAR–CIFE, Mumbai** and its **regional centers**, a **plantation drive** was successfully organized at the **ICAR–CIFE, Powarkhedha Centre**. On this occasion, the **Officer In-charge, Dr. Shashi Bhushan** delivered an **address**, emphasizing the importance of cleanliness, environmental conservation, and

collective responsibility in maintaining a clean and green campus, in line with the objectives of the Swachhta Hi Seva initiative.



Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute, Kochi

The Digha Regional Station of ICAR-CMFRI organized a plantation drive in the premises of Digha RS on 20.12.2025 under the Swachhta Pakhwada (16–31 December 2025). The main objective of the programme was to create awareness among staff members and local people about plantation and its environmental benefits. All scientific, technical, administrative, and contractual staff of the Centre actively participated in the plantation programme conducted within the office premises. **A total of 10 saplings were planted, comprising five False Ashoka trees (*Polyalthia longifolia*), four Mango trees (*Mangifera indica*), and one Indian jujube fruit plant (*Ziziphus mauritiana*).** In addition, Mr. Suman Nayak, Young Professionals-I, delivered an awareness talk on “Single-Use Plastic” in the meeting hall of Digha RS of ICAR-CMFRI. The talk focused on creating awareness about the judicious use, environmental impacts, and management of single-use plastics in daily life.



National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources, Lucknow

Campaigns on Discarding the use of Single Use Plastics and awareness on recycling of waste water, water harvesting for agriculture/ horticulture application/kitchen gardens in **Residential colonies**. Swachhta Pakhwada (Dec. 16-31, 2025) program at ICAR-NBFGR, Lucknow on 20.12.2025 a Campaigns on Discarding the use of Single Use Plastics and awareness on recycling of waste water, water harvesting for agriculture/ horticulture application/kitchen gardens in **Residential colonies** was conducted with cleaning staffs working & Residential staffs at ICAR-NBFGR. The cleaning work undertaken with the total participation of 15-staffs.



Horticulture Science Division

S.No.	Institute Name
1.	CCRI, Nagpur
2.	CPCRI, Kasargod
3.	DCR, Puttur
4.	DMR, Solan
5.	IIOPR, Pedavegi
6.	NRCP, Solapur

Central Citrus Research Institute, Nagpur

A cleanliness and sanitation drive will be conducted across campuses, residential areas and surrounding areas, including residential colonies and common marketplaces. The initiative aims to promote plantation and environment friendly while motivating communities and institutions to adopt sustainable plantation practices and facilities. Through awareness programs and health education, the drive will encourage responsible behavior, improve public health, and foster long-term commitment to cleanliness and sanitation.

Total 25 employee participate(Permanent/Contractual staff).

Central Plantation Crops Research Institute, Kasaragod

Organising Green Drive/ Plantation drive in the Premises having green area. Campaigns on discarding the use of Single Use Plastics and awareness on recycling of waste water, water harvesting for agriculture/ horticulture application/kitchen gardens in residential colonies/ 1-2 nearby villages.

As per the directions received from the competent authority, Crop Improvement Division, ICAR-CPCRI, Kasaragod has undertaken an activity during the “Swachhta Pakhwada” campaign. The Division has initiated “Plantation Drive” activity. In this, a specialized coconut plantation drive was organized to align the goals of the Clean India mission with environmental sustainability. The drive aimed to promote a zero-waste ecosystem while enhancing the local green cover. During this, a total of 12 high-yielding coconut saplings were planted, following the recommended agronomical practices. The students and trainees were given brief demonstration on the correct depth for planting and basic requirements for young saplings. The participants committed to nurturing the saplings, ensuring that the spirit of Swachhata Diwas continues beyond a single day of action. The drive had active participation from a team of Crop Improvement Division and SCSP Trainees of ICAR-CPCRI, Kasaragod.

Directorate of Cashew Research, Puttur, Karnataka

As a part of the Swachhta Pakhwada campaign, a plantation drive was organized at the Shantigodu Farm of ICAR–Directorate of Cashew Research (ICAR-DCR), Puttur. The activity was undertaken with the objective of promoting environmental cleanliness, ecological sustainability, and responsible use of institutional land resources.

During the drive, fresh planting was taken up over an area of 4 acres within the Shantigodu farm. 330 grafts of high yielding varieties of cashew were planted. The initiative emphasized the importance of green cover in improving environmental quality, soil health, and long-term sustainability, aligning with the broader goals of the Swachhta Pakhwada campaign.

The plantation drive reflected ICAR-DCR’s commitment to integrating cleanliness, environmental stewardship, and sustainable agricultural practices. Such initiatives not only contribute to a cleaner and greener campus but also serve as a demonstration of responsible natural resource management, reinforcing the message of Swachhta through action.

The activity stands as a meaningful contribution towards creating a healthy and sustainable environment and highlights the role of research institutions in supporting national cleanliness and environmental initiatives.

Directorate of Mushroom Research, Solan

Summary of activities: Organizing Green drives/plantation drives in the premises, campaigns on discarding the use of single use plastics and awareness on recycling of waste water water harvesting for agriculture and water harvesting for agriculture and horticulture.

Number of Participants: 30

Key Outcomes: Under the campaign, green plantation drive was conducted in the premises, which was attended by more than 30 participants. One VIP Mr. BL Bugalia, Principal District Judge, Jaipur and Director, ICAR-DMR, Solan also attended the plantation drive and planted two plants of *Camellia Japonica*. He also narrated about the plantation drive and emphasized on reducing single use plastics and waste water reuse.

Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research, Pedavegi

As part of the nationwide, Swachhta Pakhwada being observed from 16th to 31st December 2025, a special drive for Green drives/Plantation drives was organized at villages near ICAR–Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research (ICAR–IIOPR), Pedavegi.

The program was conducted with the objective of promoting cleanliness, environmental protection, and awareness about the importance of greenery.

The program began with a brief address highlighting the importance and the role of plantation in maintaining a clean and healthy environment. Participants actively took part in cleaning the premises by sweeping fallen leaves and collecting waste to ensure proper sanitation.

The participants were motivated to take responsibility for nurturing the plants and maintaining cleanliness in their daily lives.

The plantation drive created awareness about the need to protect nature, reduce pollution, and maintain hygiene in public spaces.

Overall, this Plantation Drive was successfully conducted and served as a meaningful step towards building a cleaner and greener environment.

Number of participant :- 10

NRC on Pomegranate, Solapur

Coconut trees plantation drive is conducted in the Hiraj research field ICAR-NRC on Pomegranate Solapur Maharashtra. All staff has been participated for the plantation of coconut trees.

The **coconut tree** is more than just a tropical icon; it is a lifeline for millions across India's coastal and tropical regions. Known as the "Tree of Life," the **coconut tree plantation in India** not only offers an abundant, sustainable yield but also provides vital ecological benefits like shade, windbreaks, and soil conservation.

No of participants: 35

Natural Resource Management Division

Name of the Institute: ICAR Research Centre for Eastern Region, Patna

Summary of the Activity: A plantation drive was organized on 20.12.2025 at ICAR-RCER, Patna, as a part of Swachhta Pakhwada celebration.

No. of Participants : 36

Key Outcomes: Increased awareness on cleanliness and environmental protection. Enhancement of green cover within the campus.



KVK Ramgarh

Summary of the Activity: Swachhta Plantation & Sustainability Campaign (Plantation Drives in Premises)

No. of Participants : 5

Key Outcomes: Improved cleanliness and hygiene in the workplace. Enhanced awareness and participation of staff in maintaining cleanliness.



KVK Buxar

Summary of the Activity: Display of SHS Pakhwada banner at main gate of KVK. Cleaning near the livestock shed demo unit at the KVK farm.

No. of Participants : 4

Key Outcomes: Improved cleanliness and hygiene in the workplace.



Central Island Agricultural Research Institute, Port Blair

Integrated Farming System (IFS) Farm, CIARI, Gharacharma

As part of the Swachhata Pakhwada celebrations under the Swachh Bharat Mission, a “*Waste to Wealth*” workshop was conducted on 20 December 2025 at the Integrated Farming System (IFS) Farm, CIARI, Gharacharma. The programme was organized and conducted by the scientists from division of Natural Resource Management, Dr. Abhilash and Dr. Gurunath Reddy under the guidance of Dr. I Jaisankar, Head (i/c), division of NRM.

The workshop highlighted the importance of effective waste management as a critical component of achieving a clean, sustainable, and environmentally responsible India. The concept of “*Waste to Wealth*” focuses on converting agricultural and organic waste into valuable resources rather than disposing of them through environmentally harmful practices.



Central Coastal Agricultural Research Institute, Goa

Summary of the Activity: As part of Swachhta Pakhwada 2025, ICAR–CCARI, Goa organized a Green Drive / Plantation Drive within the Institute premises, focusing on enhancing green cover and promoting environmental sustainability. The plantation drive was carried out in identified areas of the campus, where 35 saplings of tree species, including Kokum and Coconut, were planted. The activity witnessed active involvement of staff members, who collectively contributed to planting and nurturing the saplings, reinforcing the importance of tree plantation in maintaining ecological balance, improving environmental hygiene and supporting the objectives of Swachh Bharat Mission.

No. of Participants :18

Key Outcomes: Increased green cover and enhancement of environmental cleanliness within the campus Sensitization of participants towards environmental sustainability and collective responsibility.



Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture, Hyderabad

As per the action plan, the activities of **Swachhta Pakhwada** were implemented on 20th December 2025. As per the action plan, Organized Plantation drive within CRIDA Main. As part of the, **Swachhta Pakhwada**, the staff of ICAR-Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture (CRIDA), Hyderabad actively participated in a sapling plantation drive held on 20th December 2025 within the CRIDA campus premises. The event was organized under the nationwide initiative “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam”, encouraging individuals to plant and nurture trees in honor of their mothers.. The programme aimed to spread awareness on environmental conservation and honor motherhood through tree plantation. During the campaign, staff members collectively planted a variety of saplings, reinforcing CRIDA’s commitment to environmental protection and sustainability. The programme highlighted the importance of tree plantation for ecological balance and served as a reminder of our responsibility toward a greener and cleaner future. Dr.R.Nagarjunakumar Nodal Officer for . **Swachhta Pakhwada** coordinated the programme.



Central Soil Salinity Research Institute, Karnal

Summary of the Activity: On December 20, 2025, a plantation drive was held under Swachhata Pakhwada 2025 to enhance local aesthetics and environmental health. Residents were educated on the benefits of green spaces, including erosion control and air pollution reduction. Additionally, teams conducted outreach in residential areas and nearby villages to discourage single-use plastics and promote sustainable water practices like wastewater recycling and rainwater harvesting for gardening and agriculture.

Key Output:

- Educated residents on ecological value of green spaces
- Advocated for the elimination of single-use plastics across residential colonies

Photographs:

Photographs are enclosed/attached for green drive.



Indian Institute of Farming System Research, Modipuram, Meerut

Summary of the Activity: Competition on Swachhta among school childrens.

No. of Participants: 215

Key Outcomes: Swachhta banners were displayed at prominent areas of the School. School children besides school staff took Swachhta Pledge oath. Importance of swachh Bharat mission was narrated to the children by some of the staff members of ICAR-IIFSR. Conducted a Swachhta poster competition among the children.



Mahatma Gandhi Integrated Farming Research Institute, Motihari

Summary of the Activity: Green drive/Plantation drive in the campus.

Number of Participants : 30

Key outcomes : Organized green drives and created awareness amongst the farmers about plantations in and around residential areas.



ICAR-Directorate of Weed Research, Jabalpur (M.P.)

Summary of the Activity : The Swachhta Pakhwada, 2025 a green drive is organized at the Directorate. During this event, a total of 50 marigold saplings under & beautification of plants under the cleanliness campaign and the Director of the Directorate sensitized all the staff presents about the importance of discontinuing the use of plastic.

No. of Participants: 31



Central Agroforestry Research Institute, Jhansi

No. of Participants: 13

Key Outcomes: Swachhta drive for awaring people for don't use Plastic.



Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Dehradun

The Division of Plant Sciences, Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation, Dehradun, organized a cleanliness drive on December 20, 2025, at Community hall in village Medinipur-Badripur, Vikasnagar, Dehradun, as part of the ongoing Swachhta Pakhwada from December 16th to 31st. The Swachhta Awareness Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm, with a total of 6 scientists, officers, staff and 30 villagers participating. Dr. J.M.S. Tomar, Head, Plant Sciences, addressed various activities focused on tree plantation, reducing single-use plastic use, wastewater recycling, water harvesting, and agricultural/horticultural applications/kitchen gardens. Dr. Tomar delivered a lecture on tree plantation. In his address, he stated that tree planting is not only a means of environmental protection, but also a foundation for maintaining clean air, water conservation, and biodiversity for human life. Dr. Tomar explained that planting more trees can mitigate the adverse effects of climate change and ensure a safe and healthy environment for future generations. He also emphasized the importance of plant selection, proper planting methods, and their conservation. Dr. Tomar urged everyone not to plant more trees and nurture them regularly and protect them until they become trees. Dr. Rajesh Kaushal delivered an inspiring lecture a single-use plastic use, recycling wastewater, and water conservation. He emphasized that single-use plastic is extremely harmful to the environment and human health, and therefore, it is essential to adopt alternatives and minimize plastic use in daily life. Emphasizing the importance of recycling wastewater, he said that proper treatment and reuse can reduce pressure on water resources and make it more effective for agriculture, horticulture, and other purposes. He also emphasized the importance of rainwater harvesting for future water security, urging everyone to adopt rainwater harvesting structures. Dr. J. Jayaprakash delivered a lecture on agriculture, horticulture applications, and kitchen gardens. In his address, he explained that the use of scientific techniques and innovations in modern agriculture and horticulture can increase production while reducing costs. He emphasized the utility of kitchen gardens, stating that even in limited space, growing seasonal vegetables and fruits can provide families with fresh, nutritious, and chemical-free food. He also discussed applications such as organic fertilizers, efficient water use, and crop diversification. The program concluded with a pledge to keep the surroundings clean and contribute to building a clean and green India. On this occasion, Dr. J.M.S. Tomar, Dr. Rajesh Kaushal, Dr. Vibha Singhal, Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Mr. Mudit Mishra, Mrs. Santoshi Rauthan and Khajan were present.

Program Outcome

This cleanliness program significantly increased awareness among participants from Village Medinipur, Vikasnagar, regarding cleanliness, environmental protection, and sustainable resource management. Expert lectures on topics such as tree plantation, reducing single-use plastic use, recycling wastewater, water harvesting, and agriculture/horticulture and kitchen gardens provided participants with practical and useful knowledge. As a result of the program, participants resolved to regularly practice tree plantation, care for the plants they planted, increase the use of plastic alternatives, and incorporate sustainable water conservation and waste management practices into their daily lives. Furthermore, they were inspired to take steps towards nutritional security and self-reliance by adopting the concepts of kitchen gardens and organic farming. Overall, this program proved to be a positive contributor to the creation of a clean, green and sustainable environment.



Indian Institute of Water Management, Bhubaneswar

As per the *Swachhta Pakhwada* guidelines issued by the Cabinet Secretariat, Govt. of India, a ‘Green Drive’ was organized on 20th December, 2025 in Gopinathpur Govt High School Campus of Salepur block in Cuttack district of Odisha. One hundred saplings including fifty grafted mango saplings were distributed for plantation in around the school campus. At the beginning, Dr H.K. Dash, Principal Scientist & Chairman, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Committee (SBA) administered *Swachhta* pledge to the participating students and sensitized them about the importance of *Swachh Bharat Mission* and activities being implemented under the Mission. Messages pertaining to adverse impact of plastic pollution on environment including groundwater recharge, soil health, and occurrence of micro plastics in drinking water were shared with the students. Speaking on the occasion, noted environmentalist Shri Balaram Dash highlighted the linkage between *Swachhta* Mission and environment, and advised the students to join hands in making the school campus polythene free, and Students were also informed about the need for disaggregation of wastes at source, safe ways of disposing wastes including polythene bags and compost making from household wastes. Ms. Truptimayee Behera, Head Mistress of the High School advised the students to become instruments in a creating a clean and green environment. At the end, plantation programme was organized in the campus. A total of 175 students participated in today’s programme. Dr. H.K. Dash and Dr S.K. Karna coordinated the programme. Shri Sangram Kumar Pani and Shri Santanu Kumar Sahoo extended assistance in organizing the programme.



Swachhta pledge Plantation programme going on in the campus

National Bureau of Soil Survey and Land Use Planning, Nagpur

Summary of the Activity: Organized Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam and Green Day at Krishi Kunj Residential colony, Bajaj Nagar, Nagpur. Organized ShraamDaan activities at Krishi Kunj Residential colony, Bajaj Nagar, Nagpur

No. of Participants: 10



Indian Institute of Soil Science, Bhopal

As part of Swachhata Pakhwada, the ICAR–Indian Institute of Soil Science (ICAR-IISS), Bhopal organized a Plantation Drive on 20 December 2025. The programme was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Monoranjan Mohanty, Director, ICAR–IISS, Bhopal, with the objective of promoting environmental cleanliness, greenery, and sustainable campus development. As part of the initiative, cleaning and sanitation activities were carried out in the farm area near the Institute Guest House, which included the removal of weeds and other unwanted vegetation. Subsequently, a plantation drive was organized, during which Thuja ornamental plants were planted around the guest house premises to enhance the aesthetic appeal and ecological value of the area. The programme witnessed active participation from all members of the organizing committee and farm staff, who collectively planted 100 saplings during the drive. The initiative highlighted the importance of tree plantation and cleanliness as integral components of environmental sustainability and institutional responsibility.



