

Special Drive on Swachh Bharat Mission

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(Report on activities of NICED during Swachhta Pakhwada)

2nd October – 18th October, 2017

Backdrop

In order to take the flagship program of the Honorable Prime Minister of India named 'Swachh Bharat Mission' forward and at the behest of the Secretary, Department of Health Research, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India and Director General-Indian Council of Medical Research, NICED took a special drive during the period 2nd-18th October, 2017. The purpose of this drive within a fortnight period was to boost up 'Swachhta Activities' carried out by NICED every month. Two components of this drive were, a) lectures and discussions among the NICED staff on 'cleanliness' followed by 'extending a hand to clean the campus' and b) identification of dirty corners in and around the three buildings of NICED and immediate disposal of the identified garbage from such spots. Moreover, the Scientists of NICED were encouraged to keep their working tables clean and tidy. All these activities were accomplished before Diwali festival of 2017.



Orientation of the institutional staff



NICED-Swachh Bharat Committee Members under the guidance of Dr Shanta Dutta, Director, and Chairperson of the Committee and Dr Samiran Panda, Working Chairperson of the Committee planned the activities under intensified drive. A lecture and discussion session was organized, followed by hands-on-cleaning activity in front of the JICA building of NICED on 4th October, 2017 at 12 noon. About 100 people attended the program and the audience included the scientists,

technical staffs, administrative staffs, research scholars as well as contractual workers of the institute. Dr Shanta Dutta delivered a lecture in which, she stressed upon the need for assimilation of ideas from Swachh Bharat campaign by every individual, and subsequently implementing them during day to day activities. Impact of cleanliness on health and the role of scientists and other technical staff to spread such messages in the society was also deliberated upon by her. Dr Abhik Sinha, Scientist-NICED spoke thereafter on the inception and importance of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and the importance of segregation of dry and wet waste. Two dustbins were placed by the Swachh Bharat Committee - one for dry waste and another for wet waste - in front of the JICA and NICED –II buildings. This was followed by cleaning activity within the campus in which many of the attendees participated and Dr Ranjan Nandy, a senior scientist of NICED guided them in this endeavor.

Upkeep of NICED-I Building

Rooftop of NICED-I building was cleaned on 17th October 2017 by removing all rubbish & debris by contracted laborers in presence of the Care-Taker Mr Ashit Ranjan Das and Mr Kanu Dey Technician B. The supervisor of the House Keeping Team Mr Paresh Bagchi also actively joined hands in this effort.



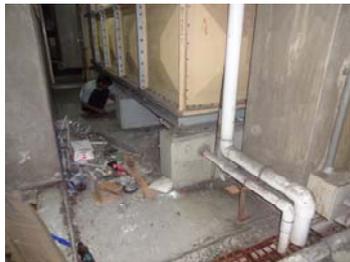
Before cleaning of the rooftop, NICED-I building



After cleaning of the rooftop, NICED-I building

Upkeep of NICED-II and JICA Buildings

The Pump room of JICA building was thoroughly cleaned by removing all the junk materials accumulated due to day to day maintenance activities on 17th October, 2017. Mr PK Ghoshal, the engineering staff of NICED, took the lead in this initiative. The debris, dust and rubbles thus recovered were properly disposed off. The back staircase of NICED- II and the store house were especially visited to identify areas for cleaning activity. The following are a few more photographs of the activities described above highlighting cleanliness drive as well as spots



Cleaning activities



Cleaned pump room, JICA building