



केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड

(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संगठन)

CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

(An Autonomous Organisation Under the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)



CBSE/ACAD/DS(MS)/2024

Date: 30.08.2024

Circular No: Acad-77/2024

All the Heads of Schools affiliated to CBSE

Subject: *Swachhata Pakhwada* – reg.

Dear Principal

The Government of India is observing *Swachhata Pakhwada* every year since 2016, which has become a successful mass movement with the annual participation of millions of children and other functionaries besides members of the community. This year, the *Swachhata Pakhwada* is scheduled from 1st to 15th September 2024.

For observing the *Swachhata Pakhwada* in a befitting manner with focused participation resulting in cleanliness, sanitation and hygiene drive and other related activities, the schools may organize the following suggestive activities during 1st to 15th September 2024:

1. *Swachhata Shapath* may be organised in all schools, wherein all students and teachers/ staff may participate.
2. Holding meeting of SMCs and PTAs in the first week of the *Pakhwada* to highlight the importance of cleanliness and sanitation, importance of hand-washing, promoting water conservation/ rain water harvesting practices during the Parent-Teacher Meetings (PTMs); and to encourage and inspire them to continue with the good practices for hygiene and sanitation in school as well as home.
3. Teachers to inspect water and sanitary facilities in the school, do a quick assessment of water, sanitation and hygiene facilities and make proposal/ plan for repair and upkeep of the facilities, if required.
4. Essay/ Slogan/ Poem Writing, Painting, Elocution, Quiz, Model Making Competitions for students on cleanliness and hygiene practices in school.
5. *Swachhata* awareness messages to be posted on school website. Alternatively, photographs on *Swachhata* may be displayed in schools.

The teachers and management of school may also undertake following activities:

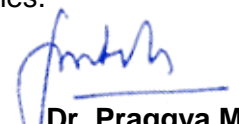
1. All kinds of waste material like sanitation waste, used and disposed masks, broken furniture, unusable equipment/ defunct vehicles etc. should be completely removed from the premises of schools and disposed off as per procedure.
2. Banning use of single use of plastics within school premises.
3. Teachers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

Suggestive Action Plan for *Swachhata Pakhwada* is also given in Annexure A.

A brief report of activities and few photographs may be uploaded by the schools before 17.09.2024 at the link: <https://forms.gle/TkC2EFPwVYAj1TRe7>

In view of above, you are requested to disseminate the above information among all the stakeholders and encourage them to participate in the above activities.

With Best Wishes


Dr. Praggya M Singh
Director (Academics)



‘शिक्षा सदन’, 17 राऊज़ एवेन्यू, इंस्टीटूशनल एरिया, नई दिल्ली – 110002
‘Shiksha Sadan’, 17, Rouse Avenue, Institutional Area, New Delhi – 110002





केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड

(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संगठन)

CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

(An Autonomous Organisation Under the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)



Copy to the respective Heads of Directorates, Organizations and Institutions as indicated below with a request to disseminate the information to all the schools under their jurisdiction:

1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18 Institutional Area, Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg, New Delhi-16
2. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector-62, Institutional Area, Noida-201309
3. The Secretary, Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS), Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India.
4. The Secretary, Sainik Schools Society, Room No. 101, D-1 Wing, Sena Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
5. The Chairman, Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya Sangathan, N-1/9, Near Doordarshan Kendra, PO Sainik School Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar, Odhisha-751005
6. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi-110 054
7. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools), Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh-160017
8. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim –737101
9. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar –791 111
10. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair – 744101
11. The Director of School Education, Ladakh, Room No.101-102, Ground Floor, Council Secretariat, Kurbathang, Kargil - Ladakh
12. The Director of School Education, Andhra Pradesh, 3rd Floor, B block, Anjaneya Towers, VTPS Rd, Bhimaraju Gutta, Ibrahimpatnam, Andhra Pradesh – 521 456
13. The Director, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESSESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector -3, Rohini, Delhi
14. The Additional Director General of Army Education, A –Wing, Sena Bhawan, DHQ, PO, New Delhi-110001
15. The Secretary AWES, Integrated Headquarters of MoD (Army), FDRC Building No. 202, Shankar Vihar (Near APS), Delhi Cantt-110010
16. DS to Chairperson, CBSE
17. Secretary/ Controller of Examinations/ All Directors, CBSE
18. All Regional Directors/ Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this circular to all the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective regions
19. All Joint Secretary/ Deputy Secretary/ Under Secretary/ Assistant Secretary, CBSE
20. All Head(s)/ In-Charge(s), Centre of Excellence, CBSE
21. In charge IT Unit with the request to put this Circular on the CBSE Academic Website
22. In-Charge, Library
23. Record File

Director (Academics)



‘शिक्षा सदन’, 17 राऊज़ एवेन्यू, इंस्टीटूशनल एरिया, नई दिल्ली –110002

‘Shiksha Sadan’, 17, Rouse Avenue, Institutional Area, New Delhi – 110002



Ministry of Education
Department of School Education & Literacy

Suggested Action Plan for Swachhata Pakhwada (1-15 September, 2024)

1.9.2024 (Sunday)

Swachhata Shapath Day

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

2.9.2024 & 3.9.2024 (Monday & Tuesday)

Swachhata Awareness Days

- Holding meeting of SMCs/ SMDCs/ PTAs to highlight the importance of cleanliness & sanitation and importance of Hand-washing, promote water conservation/ Rain Water Harvesting practices during the Parent-Teacher Meetings (PTMs), 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, hand wash 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, 2024 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.**

4.9.2024 & 5.9.2024 (Wednesday & Thursday)

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.**

6.9.2024 (Friday)

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.**

7.9.2024 & 8.9.2024 (Saturday & Sunday)

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.**

9.9.2024 & 10.9.2024 (Monday & Tuesday)

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 disease/ 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.**

11.9.2024 (Wednesday)

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.**

12.9.2024 (Thursday)

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.**

13.9.2024 and 14.9.2024 (Friday & Saturday)

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.**

15.9.2024 (Sunday)

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.**
