

INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
REGIONAL CENTRE SHIMLA (HP)

Report of Activities under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan

1. Regional Centre official organized an awareness programme at Gram Panchayat, Dummi (Shimla) during the Gram Sabha Meeting on 15th August, 2016 in order to generate awareness about significance of 'Swachta and Saksharta' as well as the open learning initiatives of IGNOU in the field of Higher Education.
2. An awareness programme for the BHUTICCO Weavers organized in Kullu on 12.12.2016 to make them aware about the free admission being offered to them by IGNOU in BPP and CLP Programme. As a result of the awareness programme, thirty seven weavers admitted for January, 2017 session in BPP.
3. Regional Centre organized an awareness programme under "Aao Hum Digital Ho Jaaye" campaign for the learners of IGNOU Study Centre, 1101 (Shimla) in order to generate awareness amongst IGNOU learners on efficacy of cashless transactions on 22.12.2016.
4. On 30th March, 2017, an awareness programme on 'Sanitation and Hygiene' organized at Govt. Middle School, Poabo wherein students, teachers and staff members of the school as well as the villagers of Poabo and surrounding villages were given information about various issues related to health and hygiene.
5. Regional Centre also organized an awareness programmes for the CISF personnel, Home Guard Jawans and Nehru Yuva Kendra staff about the need & importance of education and encouraged them to acquire higher education through IGNOU programmes during the year 2017.
6. An awareness programme on 'Education, Health/Sanitation and Skill Development' was organized at Gram Panchayat 'Dummi' Distt. Shimla (HP) on 12th January, 2018 for the villages coming under 'Dummi' Panchayat. The participants were made aware of skill-based programmes of IGNOU and significance of hygiene in leading a healthy life.
7. A cleanliness campaign in the RC office premises was carried out on 15th September, 2018 on the theme 'Swachhta Hi Sewa' under "Swachh Bharat Mission" in which RC staff, students of local school and local public participated. The Learner Support Centres also organized cleanliness campaign in their respective institutions.
8. IGNOU Study Centre-1104 (Govt. Degree College, Hamirpur) also organized cleanliness campaign in the study centre premises on 30th September, 2018.
9. In order to generate awareness about significance of 'Swachta and Saksharta' Regional Centre official organized lecture/cleanliness drive and plantation in the adopted village Poabo, Gram Panchayat, Dummi (Shimla) on 2nd October, 2018.

- Pachayati Raj representatives of Dummi Panchayat and local villagers were present/participated.
10. A lecture on the Theme “Swachhta Hi Sewa” under Swachh Bharat Mission was organized at Govt. Middle School, Poabo (adopted village), Gram Panchayat, Dummi on 29th October, 2018 wherein all the students, teachers and staff attended/participated.
 11. Under ‘Plantation Drive’ (Eik Chatra Eik Vriksh), IGNOU Regional Centre, Shimla organized Plantation Drive in the premises of Govt. Middle School (Adopted Village) Poabo, Gram Panchayat, Dummi, Block, Mashobra, Tehsil & District, Shimla on 27th August, 2019. School staff members, students and representatives of Gram Panchayat participated in the drive. Following Learner Support Centres under RC Shimla also organized plantation drive:
 - a) IGNOU Special Study Centre- 1185D, GES, Kuniyar, District Solan organized Plantation Drive in the premises of Study Centre on 10th August, 2019. Coordinator, Staff and Students participated in the drive.
 - b) IGNOU Special Study Centre- 1141D, Him Nav Jyoti Sr. Sec. School, Talyana, District Bilaspur organized Plantation Drive in the premises of Study Centre/School on 22nd August, 2019. Staff of the centre and students participated in the drive.
 - c) IGNOU Special Study Centre- 1178D, Macleodganj (Dharmasala) organized Plantation Drive at Macleodganj on 15th August, 2019, Nagrota Bagwan on 20th August, 2019 and Sidhwari on 25th August, 2019. Coordinator, Students and local public participated in the drive.
 12. IGNOU Regional Centre Shimla organized ‘Admission Awareness Campaign’ for the students of Computer Training Centre, Himachal Academy of Arts, Culture and Languages, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh at Cliff-end-Estate, Shimla on 26th August, 2019. Students were briefed about Open & Distance Learning (ODL) system and motivated to pursue higher education through IGNOU Programmes. They were also apprised about various student support services of the University in general and fee exemption to the students of SC & ST community in different programmes of the University in particular.
 13. IGNOU Regional Centre, Shimla has adopted a three-pronged strategy to ensure ‘Plastic Free Village’ under ‘Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign’ at Regional Centre level; Study Centre level; & IGNOU Learners level. Activities undertaken are- i) a cleanliness drive has been undertaken in the premises of the regional centre and its surrounding areas on 12th September, 2019; ii) an awareness campaign and cleanliness drive has been organized at the adopted village Kawalag Magher, Gram Panchayat, Pujarli (Shimla) on 27th September, 2019; iii) a cleanliness drive has been undertaken in the premises and surroundings of IGNOU Study Centre 1107 (Govt. Degree College, Kullu) by the Coordinator, staff and students on 22nd September, 2019. In such cleanliness drive, the empty plastic bottles, wrappers and other waste were collected and disposed off properly. The RC officials/Study Centre Functionaries and learners were asked to generate the awareness about the minimal use of the plastic in the vicinity of their homes and amongst their friend/ social circles.