

TEZPUR UNIVERSITY



SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN

Tezpur University launched a week-long programme to sensitize people about cleanliness as a part of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan initiated by the Prime Minister of India on 2nd October commemorating the birth anniversary of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi. It is needless to mention here that Tezpur University rigorously maintains higher standards of cleanliness with dedicated efforts from all stakeholders including the students, faculty and the staff. Nonetheless, the University took part in the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan along with the rest of the nation in its pursuit for a cleaner and healthier nation. Various programmes were undertaken to mark the Abhiyan which came to an end on 6th October.

1. Launching of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Oath taking and inauguration of cleanliness drive by the Registrar, Tezpur University.

Date- 02.10.2014

In the presence of the faculty, staff members and students, the Registrar of Tezpur University, Dr. Biren Das, inaugurated the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan at 10:30 AM in the Community Hall. First, the oath for the mission was administered by the Registrar and taken by all participants of the Abhiyan. Then, Dr. Das and Prof. M. A. Kalam, Professor of Eminence started the Abhiyan by cleaning the entrance of the Community Hall with a broom. Soon other senior Professors, faculty members and students joined them. A significant portion of the campus including the area outside of the main entrance was thoroughly cleaned by the group. The members of the NSS were particularly involved in organizing the event. The Programme officer of NSS, Tezpur University delivered a lecture to the students and the local public on the necessity of public hygiene and sanitation. The day concluded with the participants sharing some light refreshment.



LAUNCH OF SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN



STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE ABHIYAN

2. Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Marathon

Date-03.10.2014 Route- Tezpur University Gate to Amolapam Village centre and back to Campus.

Amidst frenetic enthusiasm a marathon was organised by NSS Tezpur University, at 7am, to encourage students and the local public to not only take care of public but also personal hygiene. Large numbers of students made the occasion a roaring success by engaging actively in the friendly competition. Beginning their run from the main gate the students traversed their way through Amolapam village before returning to complete it at Community Hall. The runners were provided refreshments by the NSS.



STUDENTS GATHERING FOR THE MARATHON



A MOMENT DURING THE MARATHON

3. Prabhat Pheri to create awareness among the public at large on the importance of cleanliness in houses/premises, especially on the benefits of using toilets as against open defecation.

Date-04.10.2014 Venue-Amolapam Village

Prabhat Pheri, the traditional morning walk was given a new dimension by the students of Tezpur University as they, in association with NSS Tezpur University, used the novel platform to raise awareness among the adjacent villagers on the paramount importance of cleanliness in their homes, especially concerning hygienic toilet habits. The harms of open defecation were cleverly exposed in a **street play** organised by the NSS in the village centre. The ingenuity of the students was praised by the encouraging public. The group returned to the University campus to be greeted by delicious refreshment.



GATHERING FOR PRABHAT PHERI



PRABHAT PHERI IN PROGRESS

4. Cleaning of Statues of National Leaders:

* Statue of Agnikanya Chandrabhabha Saikiyani

*Statue of Kalaguru Bishnu Prasad Rabha

*Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi

Date-05.10.2014 Venue- Tezpur University Campus

The statue of the great freedom fighter and emancipator of women Agnikanya Chandrabhabha Saikiyani near the Women Studies Centre was cleaned thoroughly by the members of the NSS and the Tezpur University students. It was followed by the cleaning of the statue of the great cultural doyen, Kalaguru Bishnu Prasad Rabha located in front of the hall named in his honour. Last but not the least, the statue of the first Chief Minister of Assam, Bharat Ratna, Lokapriya Gopinath Bordoloi in front of the Administrative Building was cleaned as well.



CLEANING OF STATUES IN PROGRESS

5. Cleaning of Locality

Date- 06.10.2014 Venue- Areas near the University campus.

Taking help of the local people the NSS, Tezpur University organized a cleaning drive adjacent to the University. The local people were actively encouraged by the members of the NSS and their response was overwhelming. Nearby school campuses and public areas were cleaned with their active help. The young participants were provided quality refreshment by the NSS members. Considering the drive being organized during the Durga Puja and Idd Holidays, the response was truly encouraging.



CLEANING OF LOCALITY

The Abhiyan culminated with these programmes but with a vow to maintain cleanliness as a habit by all students and employees of the University.