

SIKKIM SNA
SWACHHTA ACTION PLAN
2021-2022



Sikkim ENVIS HUB - SIKKIM SNA, State Environment Agency, Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim

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December 1-15, 2021

All the activities were conducted with strict adherence to Covid-19 safety protocols issued by Home Department, Government of Sikkim. Masks, sanitizers and gloves will be provided to participants.

SN	Date(s)	Name of Activity	Location (Detailed Address)	Description of the Task performed	Video link/ Photographs/ Other media
1.	1/12/2021 to 15/12/2021	<p>Social media campaign and Mass Public Awareness drive:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Broadcast of Jingles through AIR Gangtok and FM stations Sikkim (93.5 Red FM and 95.0 Radio Misty) Hoardings at major town location on curbing SUPS Signature campaign on green pledges Distribution of Jingles to Mainline taxi and tour operators Propagation of Green Good Deeds, Swachh Hawa Campaign, Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav through AV appeals by Hon'ble Minister Forest Shri Karma Loday Bhutia. 	<p>Across the State</p> <p>Including major town areas of Gangtok, Namchi, Geyzing, Mangan, Jorethang, Rangpo, Singtam, Pakyong etc</p>	<p>To sensitize general public at large on curbing SUPS and for propagation of Green Good Deeds, jingles were prepared and broadcasted through Radio and FM stations, hoardings were placed, signature campaign on green pledges were conducted. A special jingle for mainline taxi and tour operators were distributed through executive members of taxi operators for playing during the travel to sensitize commuters on litter free roads and highways.</p> <p>Video messages of Hon'ble Minister Forest Shri Karma Loday Bhutia was broadcasted for propagation of Green Good Deeds, Swachh Hawa Campaign and eco-friendly activities under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav during the Pakwada.</p>	<p>Campaign link: http://sikenvis.nic.in/ViewEvents.aspx?Id=8841&Year=2021</p> <p>Jingles/ PPT/ other media link: https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1ffRvyg3oU3WOR-60lhxoAa5C3tY6lT3</p> <p>Video appeals by Hon'ble Minister Forest Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W_MMbnbwMOg&t=14s</p> <p>Swachh Hawa Campaign: https://fb.watch/9WFxoj1QGv/</p> <p>Pictures at Annexure I</p>

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2.	1/12/2021 to 15/12/2021	Propagation of Green Good Deeds at educational institutions and neighbourhood through engagement of School Eco-Clubs	Participated by about 400 School Eco-clubs across the State including students, teachers, non-teaching staffs, neighbourhood, local community, household etc	Following action based awareness activities were observed – workshop on curbing the use of Single Use Plastics; Awareness on air and water pollution (Walk to School/ Cleanup of water sources) ; Clean up drives focusing on plastic pick up and safe disposal campaign; Clean up of nearby jhoras, nallahs, road sides etc; Maintenance of school's botanical and herbal garden; Activities promoting local culture and traditions; Hugging the tree campaign to promote love towards nature; Awareness for energy conservation; Promotion of organic farming in schools (growing own vegetables, kitchen garden etc) and so on.	PPT on SUPs http://sikenvis.nic.in/WriteReadData/UserFiles/file/single%20use%20plastic.pdf Pamphlet on GGDs: http://sikenvis.nic.in/WriteReadData/UserFiles/file/Sikkim%20SNA%20GGD%20Brochure.pdf Pictures at Annexure II
3.	1/12/2021 (Wednesday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs focusing on banning the use of plastic and Styrofoam cutleries etc followed by clean up drive	Nalam Ward of Namthang-Manedara GPU, South Sikkim in coordination with local association and panchayat	The local youths along with bee farmers of Nalam ward under Manedara-Nalam GPU in South Sikkim led by Panchayat Bishnu Maya Tamang conducted a day-long plastic pick up drive to sensitize the locals on curbing the use of Single use plastics. The event facilitated by Sikkim SNA was carried out along a 3 km roadside stretch connecting Namthang bazar. The team collected about 100 kgs of plastic litter mostly consisting of chips packets, PET bottles etc. The collected waste was later disposed of safely through the municipality. The Panchayat and local volunteers have also	Pictures at Annexure III

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				affirmed its action to avoid burning of waste and stop using plastic or styrofoam cutleries during social functions under the GPU and take further action for making the area plastic litter free.	
4.	2/12/2021 (Thursday)	Awareness on Extended Producer Responsibility held focussing on plastic waste management.	Forest Conference Hall, Deorali, Gangtok in association with State Pollution Control Board Sikkim	Awareness programme for Producers, Importers & Brand Owners (PIBOS), Distributors/ wholesalers, Waste Management Agencies (WMAs) on Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) for recycling and reusing plastic waste under PWM Rules, 2016 was held	Pictures at Annexure IV
5.	3/12/2021 (Friday)	Awareness on SUPs and bring back waste from nature trail campaign	Nature trail from Bay to Tholung at Dzongu, North Sikkim	Plastic pick up drive along trek trail and awareness on curbing SUPs, propagation of state government policy decision of blanket ban of packaged water bottles (up to 2 lts) in Sikkim state	Pictures at Annexure V
6.	4/12/2021 (Saturday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs focusing on banning the use of plastic and Styrofoam cutleries; plastic litter pick up campaign etc	Phodong, North Sikkim	Sensitization of local public, shopkeepers, hostelries, taxi operators etc on curbing the use and sale of SUP items like cutleries, flags, Styrofoam products etc	Pictures at Annexure VI
7.	5/12/2021 (Sunday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs, Awareness on air and water pollution	Lower Burtuk Municipal ward, Gangtok, East Sikkim in association with local association and ULBs	Sensitization of local public, shopkeepers and hostelries on curbing the use and sale of SUPs, prohibition of burning of waste, prohibition on throwing household waste in jhoras. The event witnessed plastic pick up drive, cleaning of jhoras and nallahs.	Pictures at Annexure VII

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8.	6/12/2021 (Monday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up of jhoras, plastic pick up drive etc in association with local councillor	Gangtok, Upper Tathangchen, Below school premises	Clean up and sensitisation drive was conducted mobilizing local stakeholders and NGOs to aware general public, local residents to stop the use of SUPs and opt eco-friendly products and reduce, reuse and recycle lifestyle.	Pictures at Annexure VIII
9.	7/12/2021 (Tuesday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up of jhoras, plastic pick up drive etc in association with local panchayat	Lower Tathangchen, Gangtok, East Sikkim	Clean up and sensitisation drive was conducted mobilizing local stakeholders and NGOs to aware general public, local residents to stop the use of SUPs and opt eco-friendly products and reduce, reuse and recycle lifestyle.	Pictures at Annexure IX
10.	8/12/2021 (Wednesday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and roadside clean up, clean up of public places	Rateypani, South Sikkim in association BDO, local SHG and Panchayat	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and roadside clean up, clean up of public places was conducted in coordination with Namthang BDO, Sunakhari local and Area Panchayat	Pictures at Annexure X
11.	9/12/2021 (Thursday)	Public Notice on Draft Notification Banning Plastic Water Bottle Published by Sikkim SNA	Across the State	Draft Notification banning plastic packaged water up to 2 liters in the State of Sikkim was published by Sikkim SNA for inviting comments, suggestion and objection if any from general public, last date being 24.12.2021	Draft Notification and Public Notice link: http://sikenvis.nic.in/ViewGeneralLatestNews.aspx?Id=9842&Year=2021 Pictures at Annexure XI
12.	10/12/2021 (Friday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with urban local body, taxi driver's association etc	Pakyong bazar area, East Sikkim	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and roadside clean up, clean up of public places was conducted in coordination with local associations and local stakeholders	Pictures at Annexure XII

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13.	11/12/2021 (Saturday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with urban local body, taxi driver's association etc	Singtam bazar area, East Sikkim	Clean up and sensitisation drive was conducted mobilizing local stakeholders and NGOs to aware general public, local residents to stop the use of SUPs and opt eco-friendly products and reduce, reuse and recycle lifestyle.	Pictures at Annexure XIII
14.	12/12/2021 (Sunday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with urban local body, local association etc	Tadong, Phewa busty, Gangtok, East Sikkim	Sensitization of local public, shopkeepers and hostellers on curbing the use and sale of SUPs, prohibition of burning of waste, prohibition on throwing household waste in jhoras. The event witnessed plastic pick up drive, cleaning of jhoras and nallahs.	Pictures at Annexure XIV
15.	13/12/2021 (Monday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with local association	Dikchu bazar area, East Sikkim	Clean up and sensitisation drive was conducted mobilizing local stakeholders and NGOs to aware general public, local residents to stop the use of SUPs and opt eco-friendly products and reduce, reuse and recycle lifestyle.	Pictures at Annexure XV
16.	14/12/2021 (Tuesday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with local association	Singhik bazar area, North Sikkim	Clean up and sensitisation drive was conducted mobilizing local stakeholders and NGOs to aware general public, local residents to stop the use of SUPs and opt eco-friendly products and reduce, reuse and recycle lifestyle.	Pictures at Annexure XVI
17.	15/12/2021 (Wednesday)	Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with urban local body, local association etc	Mangan bazar area, North Sikkim	Clean up and sensitisation drive was conducted mobilizing local stakeholders and NGOs to aware general public, local residents to stop the use of SUPs and opt eco-friendly products and reduce, reuse and recycle lifestyle.	Pictures at Annexure XVII

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Annexure I - Activity Photos vide Sl No 1



Programme Banner/ Hoarding



Green Pledge by the Hon'ble Minister Forest Shri Karma Loday Bhutia and the Addl. Chief Secretary cum PCCF Shri M L Srivastava



Signature Campaign banner



Signature Campaign on green pledges

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Annexure II - Activity Photos vide SI No 2



Rain water harvesting working model workshop by Govt. JHS Lingthem



Reuse and recycling of plastic bottle and making cloth bag and paper bag by Government Secondary School Passingdong



*Road Rally and clean up drive by Genchung PS
Poster reads "Eating Plastic Animal Died, Seeing Plastic Nature Cried"*

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Clean up drive



Hugging the tree campaign by School Eco-Clubs to promote love and affection towards Nature



Organic manuring activity



Workshop for students on waste management

Annexure III - Activity Photos vide SI No 3



Awareness on curbing SUPs, clean-up drive at Nalam



SE Report

GANGTOK, December 5: A day-long plastic clean-up drive was conducted at Nalam under Namthang-Maneydara GPU, South Sikkim today.

The clean-up drive was organised by the bee farmers along with panchayat Bishnu Maya Tamang to sensitize the locals on curbing the use of Single-Use Plastics (SUPs), informs a press release.

The farmers who are currently undergoing green skill training on beekeeping facilitated by Sikkim ENVIS Hub, Forest & Environment

department at Nalam apiary carried out a 3-km stretch clean up along the roadside connecting Namthang bazar.

The team collected about 100 kg of plastic litter mostly consisting of chips packets, PET bottles etc. The collected waste was later disposed of safely through the municipality.

The panchayat and local volunteers have also affirmed its action to avoid using plastic or styrofoam cutleries during social functions under the GPU and take further action for making the area plastic litter-free, the release mentions.

**Awareness on curbing SUPs – clean up drive at
Nalam Ward, Namthang-Manedara GPU, South Sikkim**

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Annexure IV - Activity Photos vide Sl No 4



Awareness programme for Producers, Importers & Brand Owners (PIBOS), Distributors/ wholesalers, Waste Management Agencies (WMAs) on Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) for recycling and reusing plastic waste under PWM Rules, 2016 by State Pollution Control Board, Forest and Environment Department (Sikkim SNA)

Annexure V - Activity Photos vide SI No 5



Plastic pick up drive along trek trail and awareness on curbing SUPs from Bay to Tholong, Dozongu North Sikkim by Forest and Environment Department (Sikkim SNA) along with local stakeholders

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Annexure VI - Activity Photos vide SI No 6



Sensitization of local public, shopkeepers, hostelries, taxi operators etc on curbing the use and sale of SUP items like cutleries, flags, Styrofoam products etc at Phodong Bazar, North Sikkim

Annexure VII - Activity Photos vide SI No 7



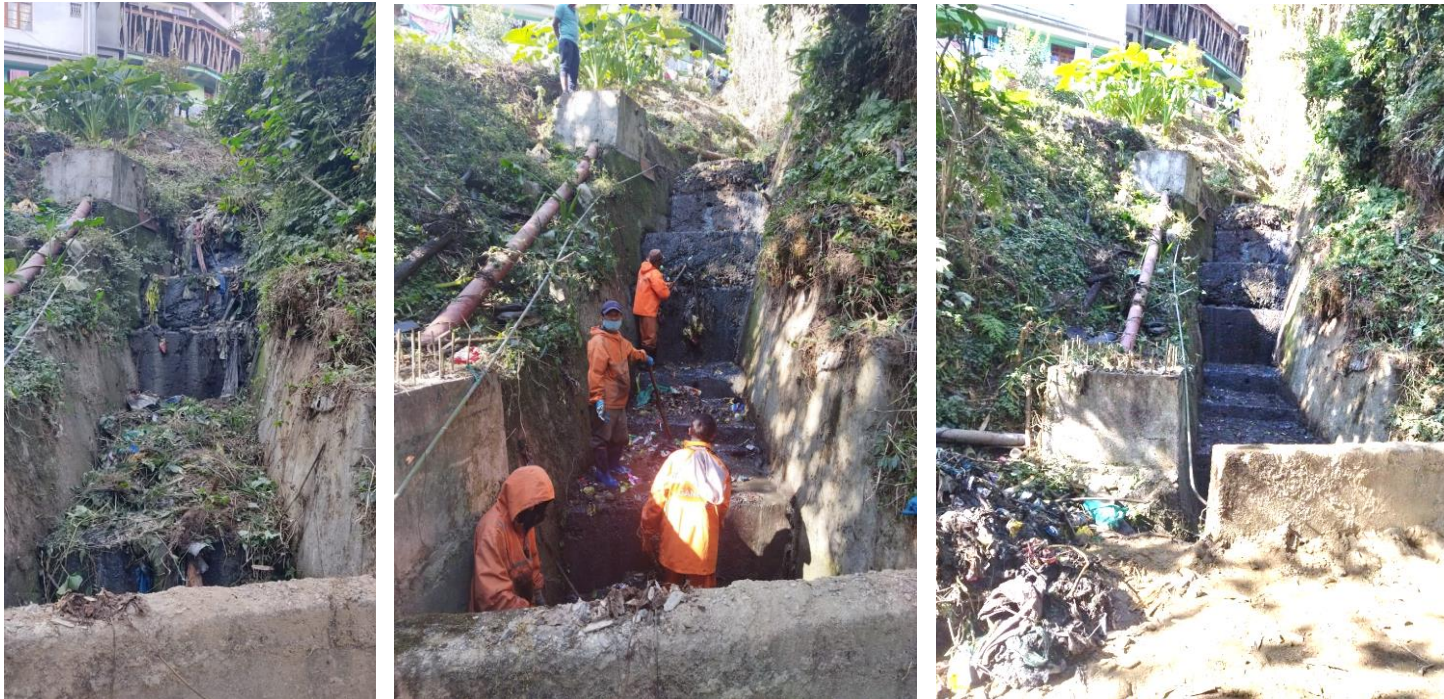
Awareness on curbing SUPs, air and water pollution and clean up of jhoras and nallas at Lower Burtuk Municipal ward, Gangtok, East Sikkim in association with local association Raigoan Samaj

Annexure VIII - Activity Photos vide Sl No 8



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up of jhoras, plastic pick up drive etc in association with local councillor at Upper Tathangchen, Gangtok, East Sikkim

Annexure IX - Activity Photos vide SI No 9



(Before-During-After pictures of Tathangchen Jhora)



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up of jhoras,
plastic pick up drive etc
in association with local panchayat
at Lower Tathangchen, Gangtok, East Sikkim

Jhora cleanliness drive at Tathangchen

SE Report

GANGTOK, December 12: A jhora cleanliness drive along with sensitisation of local residents was conducted on Sunday at Tathangchen ward here with participation of ward councillor Pema Lhamu Lamtha and locals. It was organised by Forest department as part of the Swachhata Action Plan 2021-22 for Sikkim.

During the daylong drive, the waste materials and weed accumulated at the jhora were collected so that the water flows unobstructed. The jhora cleaning drive was participated by the local NGO Kopila Parivar members, local residents and youth.

The Forest department provided gloves, face masks and sanitizers to the people taking part in the jhora cleaning drive along with dustbins and



collection, a press release informs.

Tathangchen councillor Pema Lhamu Lamtha expressed her gratitude to Forest ACF Chewang Tashi Bhutia who initiated this jhora cleaning and sensitisation drive in Tathangchen ward. She also thanked the Kopila Parivar and

for land stability and protection of houses, especially during monsoon when rain intensity is high, said Lamtha.

The ward councillor, during the drive, highlighted about the upcoming ban on use of plastic water bottles (packaged water) in Sikkim

of Sikkim, she said. "Plastic water bottles are among the most common waste item found in our jhoras. These plastic water bottles choke our jhoras which eventually pose threat to human dwellings and agricultural lands. I appeal people to support the

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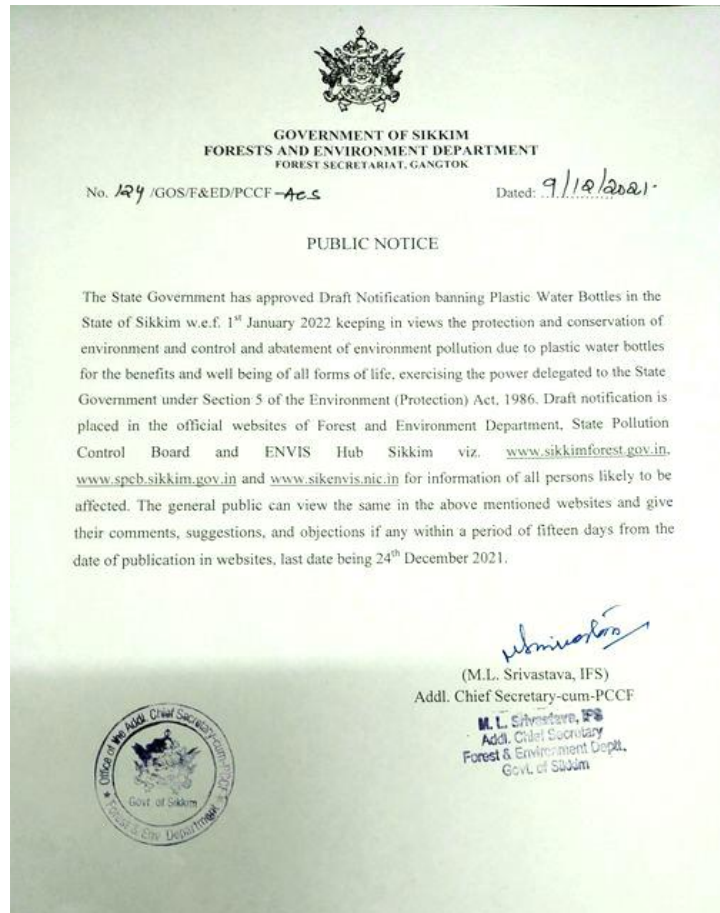
Annexure X - Activity Photos vide Sl No 10



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and roadside clean up, clean up of public places
in coordination with Namthang BDO, Sunakhari local and Area Panchayat

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Annexure XI - Activity Photos vide SI No 11



CM announces cash prizes for cleanest towns & villages
Plastic water bottles banned in Sikkim from Jan 1, 2022

BJOY GURUNG

GANGTOK, October 2: Chief Minister P.S. Golay on Gandhi Jayanti announced a complete ban on plastic water bottles from January 1, 2022 onwards in Sikkim.

"We are announcing a complete ban on sale and use of plastic water bottles in Sikkim from January 1, 2022 onwards. No shops or restaurants can sell plastic water bottles and the plastic water bottles cannot be used in social functions like marriages," said the Chief Minister.

Golay was speaking to media after a cleanliness drive at Ganesh Tok to mark Gandhi Jayanti and 'Swachhata Hi Seva' campaign.

The Chief Minister mentioned that cleanliness drive is being conducted in every office, village and bazaar of Sikkim following the Swachha Abhiyan announced by the Prime Minister.

"Under this Abhiyan in Sikkim, we are giving special focus on plastics as plastics are non-biodegradable items and harmful to our environment. Hence, we are announcing the ban on plastic water bottles in Sikkim from January 1, 2022," said Golay.

Golay said a period of three months has been given to ensure that shops in the State do not face losses before the ban comes into place.

"We are giving a time of three months till December as the shops and restaurants have stock of plastic water

bottles with them at present. During this period, they can sell and finish their stock so they do not face losses," he said.

The Chief Minister added that from January 1 next year, the shops and restaurants in Sikkim cannot keep or sell plastic water bottles. "No one can keep plastic water bottles in their shops or restaurants. They cannot bring it from outside or sell it here secretly. We will also stop sale and use of plastic water bottles in villages. Presently, plastic water bottles are used in social functions and that too will be stopped from January 1, 2022 onwards," he said.

The Chief Minister also announced annual awards to the cleanest gram panchayats and towns in Sikkim from Gandhi Jayanti 2022 onwards.

"There are 185 gram panchayats in Sikkim. We will frame criteria and the cleanest gram panchayat will receive a cash prize of Rs. 5 lakh on October 2 next year on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti. The second and third cleanest gram panchayats will get a cash prize of Rs. 3 lakh and Rs. 2 lakh respectively. This will be an annual event," said Golay.

Similarly, the cleanest bazaar in Sikkim will get a cash prize of Rs. 10 lakh. The towns coming second and third in the cleanliness index will receive a cash prize of Rs. 7 lakh and Rs. 5 lakh respectively.

The Chief Minister appealed the people of Sikkim to make cleanliness an important part of their daily life and to ensure that their homes, villages and towns are kept clean.



Public Notice on Draft Notification banning plastic packaged water up to 2 liters in the State of Sikkim w.e.f 1st of January 2022 was published by Sikkim SNA for inviting comments, suggestion and objection if any from general public, last date being 24.12.2021

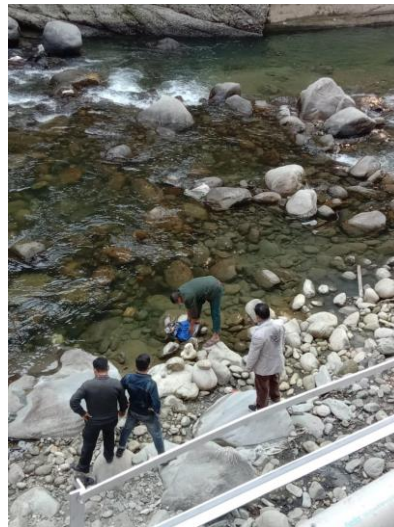
Annexure XII - Activity Photos vide Sl No 12



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up of public places was conducted in coordination with local associations and local stakeholders at Pakyong Bazar, East Sikkim

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Annexure XIII - Activity Photos vide SI No 13



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with urban local body, taxi driver's association and local volunteers at Singtam town, East Sikkim

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Annexure XIV - Activity Photos vide SI No 14



(Before-During-After Pictures of Jhoras)

Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with urban local body, local association etc at Tadong, Phewa Busty, Gangtok, East Sikkim

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Annexure XV - Activity Photos vide SI No 15



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with local association at Dikchu Bazaar, East Sikkim

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Annexure XVI - Activity Photos vide SI No 16



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with local association at Singhik Bazaar, North Sikkim

Annexure XVII - Activity Photos vide SI No 17



Awareness on curbing of SUPs and clean up drive in association with urban local body, local association etc at Mangan town, North Sikkim

