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## Swachhata Pakhwada Report

March, 2023



## Our Aim



In tune with the year-long Swachhata activities VECC Celebrated Swachhata Pakhwada during 16<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 through various colourful events.



Tree plantation programme  
On 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

## The Green Expedition: 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2023



**The Green Expedition:** Like every year, Swachhata Pakwada was celebrated during 16<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023. The event was inaugurated with Tree Plantation programme. Dr. Sumit Som, Director, VECC inaugurated the event and delivered his valuable speech emphasizing the sustainable effects of tree plantation and Swachhata Pakhwada celebration. On this day, many saplings of flowers and fruits were planted like Yellow Palash (*Butea monosperma*), Mango Var. Amrapali, Apple var. HRMN 99, Sapota var. Kalipati and Pomegranate var. Super Vagua. Yellow Palash, a rare species is adding delight and increasing the beauty of our campus.

As a part of sustainable conservation of natural resources and go green initiative, VECC conducted a tree plantation programme on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2023. Director VECC, Chairman Swachhata Committee, senior officials and employees of VECC took part in this initiative.



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## 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 : School Outreach Programme

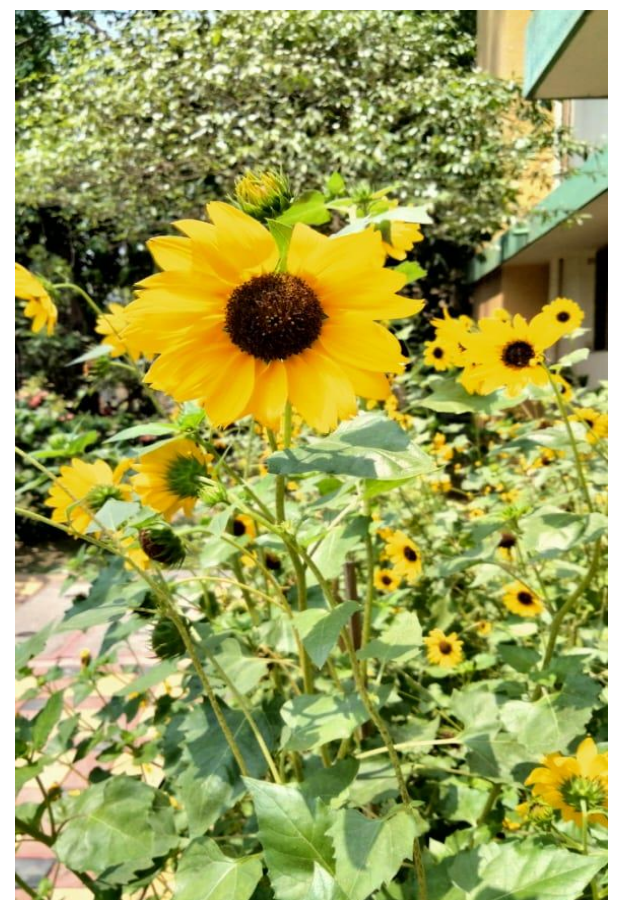


**School Outreach Programme for Swachhata and restriction of single use plastics :** In connection with the event Swachhata Pakhwada during the period of February 16–28, 2023, the Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, Kolkata organised an awareness campaign on environmental cleanliness and energy resources at the Memari V. M. Institution, Unit II, Purba Barddhaman on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023. Total 350 numbers of students of 10 schools have participated in the programme.



Electronic and Print media coverage of School Outreach programme on 17/02/2023

## Cleanliness Drive at Anushakti Abasan



School Outreach Programme for Swachhata

## 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2023: Cleanliness Drives at Anushakti Abasan

In tune with the year-long swachhata activities on 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> February thorough cleanliness drives of the Anushakti Abasan have been conducted involving the residents of Anushakti Abasan. This cleanliness drive has created an awareness about the general cleanliness, hygiene and sanitation among the residents of Anushakti Abasan. VECC Swachhata Committee also given emphasis on the restriction of the spread of mosquito borne diseases. Director VECC, Chairman Anushakti Abasan Committee and other officials and residents took part in this campaign.



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*Cleanliness Drive at Anushakti Abasan*

## All India essay competition about Sanitation, Hygiene and Swachhata:20<sup>th</sup> February, 2023



*Director VECC in his address on 28<sup>th</sup> congratulating the prize winners*

Under the aegis of Swachhata Pakhwada Celebration 2023 of VECC, all India online essay competition was held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023. The registration for the participants began one month prior to the date of competition. Organizers started online campaign for maximum reach to the participants. The minimum age for the participation was 5 years. There was no upper age bar. Based on age, all participants were divided into four age groups. They were free to write their essay based on the topic in any of the three languages, i.e., English, Hindi or Bangla. The topic was declared through email on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Each group was given different topics based on swachhata such as 1) Importance of Cleanliness, 2) Clean India, Green India, 3) Role of Cleanliness in Nation building and 4) Swachh Bharat Mission through the lens of WASH (Water Sanitation and Hygiene). Participants submitted their essay online. A total of 56 participants registered for the event from all over India. Results were declared on 28<sup>th</sup> February during the valedictory function of Swachhata Pakhwada 2023 of VECC. 12 prize winners were selected for all four age groups.



**Prizes of Online All India Essay Competition held on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2023**

## Clean Work place competition: 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2023

As a part of the celebration of Swachhata Pakwada-2023, a "Clean Office Competition" evaluation committee was formed under this programme to evaluate the cleanliness of different sections of VECC. The committee consist of ten members including the convener. The members of the committee visited both the MCF Chakgaria and VECC Bidhan Nagar campuses to review and evaluate the cleanliness aspects of the facilities. The entire campus was categorized as **office**, **services** and **laboratory** and four attributes (i. Ventilation & Illumination, ii. Space management and basic safety, iii. Waste management and disposal, iv. Swachh Bharat Mission awareness) were used to judge the overall cleanliness. A total of 42 (fortytwo) areas were visited during Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 by the committee.

Finally, the following laboratories, offices and services were selected for the award (two in each category): **Laboratory:** 1<sup>st</sup> - Computer Control Laboratory, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Radio Chemistry Laboratory, **Services:** 1<sup>st</sup> - Gardening & 2<sup>nd</sup> - Workshop, **Office:** 1<sup>st</sup> - Library and 2<sup>nd</sup> – Purchase Unit.

In the valedictory session on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023, Director VECC and other senior officers handed over the prizes to the winners.





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*Director VECC presenting the prize to one of the winners of the Clean workplace competition on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.*

### Cleanliness drive at VECC Bidhannagar campus: 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023

In tune with the year-long Swachhata activities, on 22<sup>nd</sup> February a thorough cleanliness drive of the VECC Bidhannagar campus has been conducted involving the employees and contractual personnel of VECC Bidhannagar.



Cleanliness drive at VECC Bidhannagar campus: 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023

### Cultural programme for the awareness about Swachhata: 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

On 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 a cultural programme has been conducted involving the young students, employees of VECC and their family members for general the awareness of sanitation, hygiene and cleanliness among the residents of Anushakti Abasan. The importance of conservation of water and segregation of waste was also highlighted through the drama, songs and go as you like programme. All the kids were awarded for their active participation and encouragements.



The Clean Offices/ Facilities / labs of VECC



Cleanliness drive at VECC Bidhannagar campus: 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023



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## Walk for Clean India: 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

VECC has organized an event under the name of “Walk for Clean India” on Saturday, 25th February, 2023 from 7:00 am onwards. It was a programme aiming towards the general awareness of the common people especially young stars about the impacts of single use plastic products and the means to avoid these wastes through scientific recycling process. Total 400 people from different parts of the city of different age groups took part in this event and had a great impact to the common people on above issues.



Walk for Clean India: 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

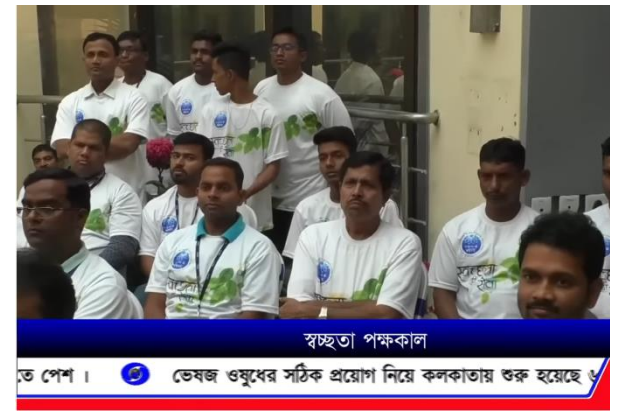




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### Cleanliness drive at VECC MCF Chalkgaria campus: 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

On 27<sup>th</sup> February a thorough cleanliness drive of the Medical Cyclotron Facility campus has been conducted involving the employees and contractual personnel posted at MCF of VECC. The programme was covered by DD National Channel also.



Cleanliness drive at VECC MCF Chalkgaria campus: 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2023



### Celebration of National Science Day: 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023

As per directives of DAE, VECC Swachhata Committee along with VECC Public Awareness Cell celebrated National Science Day on 28<sup>th</sup> February with the theme Global Science for Global Wellbeing. Total 130 Students from 15 schools participated in this day-long programme. Lab and facility visits, talk on Swachhata, debate, quiz competitions and interactive session were conducted on this occasion. Director VECC, Chairman Swachhata Committee, Chairman Public Awareness Cell and other dignitaries addressed the students. Through this programme Swachhata Pakhwada 2023 was successfully concluded.



Celebration of National Science Day: 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2023