

## **Media Release**



## IIT Hyderabad Joins Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign in Chimnapur Village, Sangareddy

## Highlights:

- Community Collaboration: IIT Hyderabad collaborated seamlessly with NSS volunteers, faculty, staff, students, and the local community, exemplifying the power of collective action in creating a cleaner and healthier environment.
- **Diverse Clean-up Efforts:** The cleaning drive extended beyond the village to include the Faculty & Staff Tower, showcasing IITH's commitment to maintaining a clean and green campus for all its residents.
- **Swachhata Run:** As part of the Swachhata Pakhwada celebration, IITH organized a Swachhata Run, promoting physical fitness while emphasizing the importance of cleanliness and sanitation.

**Hyderabad October 02, 2023**: IIT Hyderabad (IITH) proudly participated in the "Swachhata Hi Seva" campaign as part of the nationwide cleanliness drive, exemplifying its commitment to not only enhancing the campus but also the surrounding communities. The event, titled "EK Tareek, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath" at 10 AM, saw enthusiastic involvement from IITH's National Service Scheme (NSS) volunteers, faculty, staff, and students, alongside the local residents of Chimnapur village and the esteemed Additional Collector (Local Bodies), Sangareddy, Sri Chandrashekar Badugu, IAS. This dedicated cleaning drive was carried out at the picturesque Cheruvu near & inside the Chimnapur village, Kandi, Sangareddy, with the goal of promoting cleanliness and hygiene in the region. In addition to the village cleanup, IITH organized a parallel initiative at the Faculty & Staff Tower, demonstrating its holistic approach to fostering cleanliness and sanitation.

**Appreciating the enthusiastic participation of the IITHians, Prof BS Murty, Director of IIT** Hyderabad, said, "At IIT Hyderabad, we believe in the holistic development of our campus and its surroundings. Our participation in the Swachhata Hi Seva campaign is a testament to our commitment to a cleaner, greener, and healthier environment. We are proud to work alongside our local communities, showcasing that together, we can make a significant impact."

Complementing the efforts of the fellow IITHians, Dr Prakhar Gupta, Faculty-in-Charge (Student Activities) & Nodal Officer for Swachhata Hi Seva scheme at IITH, said, "Our involvement in the Swachhata Hi Seva campaign reflects IITH's unwavering dedication to fostering a cleaner and more sustainable environment. By actively participating in initiatives like this, we aim to instill a sense of responsibility for cleanliness and hygiene not only within our campus but also in the communities we serve."

In continuation of this initiative, IIT Hyderabad has organized another phase of the cleaning drive in the hostel and academic building areas and Plantation drive on the campus on October 2nd, along with a tribute to the Honorable Bapu, Shri Mahatma Gandhi Ji and Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Ji, reinforcing the importance of cleanliness as an integral part of the nation's progress.

Link to Chimnapur Drive AV: https://youtu.be/QKKTOmgEluQ

Link to Faculty & Staff Tower Drive AV: https://youtu.be/NOUnAX3Cecw

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