

**Highlights of Swachhta Pakhwada organized by ICAR-IISS, Mau, U.P.  
from 16<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021**

ICAR-Indian Institute of Seed Science, Mau has celebrated Swachhta Pakhwada from 16<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021 and a valedictory programme was organized on the last day of the programme. The programme was initiated on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 with the undertaking of pledge by all the employees of the institute. Thereafter, various activities were organized daily within the institute and near-by villages under the chairmanship of Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Director, ICAR-IISS, Mau. Under this programme, cleanliness drive was carried out in the all the sections of the office including laboratories. In addition to this, sanitation and cleaning activities were carried out in the office premises, seed storage godowns and residential areas of the campus. A cleanliness campaign was organized for the students of composite school of Onhanich village highlighting the importance of “Swachhta” to children by Dr. Arvind Nath Singh. Further, a sanitation drive was conducted in the primary health centre (PHC) of Bagli Pijra village. ICAR-IISS, Mau has celebrated “*Kisan Diwas Day*” on 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021 and a total of 50 farmers participated in the event. Special lectures were delivered by Dr. Kuldeep Jayaswal and Dr. Kalyani Kumari for the benefit of the farmers on the management and utilization of kitchen and farm waste. Further, Mrs. Vinita Ramtekey facilitated for the visit of farmers to vermicompost unit and demonstrated procedures for converting farm waste into organic fertilizers. A debate competition was organized on “Swachhta theme” among the school children of Rajkiya Balika Uchchitar Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Haraiya, Azamgarh. A lecture was also delivered for creating awareness on safe disposal of bio-degradable and non-biodegradable wastes among the students. An awareness lecture on “Waste Water Management” was organized for the students of Sri Aurobindo Public School at ICAR-IISS, Regional station, Bengaluru. The programme ended with the valedictory function on 31<sup>st</sup> December and review on various programmes conducted in the pakhwada was made and future plan of action were discussed. The director of the institute addressed the session and emphasised the role of cleanliness for a healthy and happy life. Formal vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Susmita Cherukuri by extending regards to all the staff members of the institute for their active participation and successful implementation of the programme.

**Glimpses of various programmes organized under Swachhta Pakhwada**



**Cleanliness drive at PHC of  
Bagli Pijra village**



**Organizing debate competition  
to school children on Swachhta**



**Awareness lecture on waste  
water management**



**Cleanliness drive in laboratories  
of ICAR-IISS, Mau**