IMPORTANT/TIME BOUND

From

Director Higher Education, Haryana
Shiksha Sadan, Sector 5, Panchkula.

To

1. The Vice Chancellor, all Universities of Haryana State (Govt./Private)
2. The Principals, all Colleges of Haryana State (Govt./Aided/Private)
3. All University/District NSS Programme Coordinators.

Memo No.- 2/20-2019 NSS(2)
Dated, Panchkula- 10.09.2019

Subject:- Participation in Swachhata hi Sewa Campaign.

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I have been directed to inform you that the following activities may be organized as per schedule mentioned in Annexure I and II:-

a) Starting from 11th September till 2nd October 2019, all students in every HEIs may be encouraged to do Shramdaan picking up any plastic waste in their surroundings and bringing them to a central location in the institution.

b) The plastic waste so collected may be disposed off in consultation with the District/Municipal/Gram Panchayat administration on 2nd October so that it could be used for effective recycling or in road-construction or in cement industry.

Therefore, you are requested to organize the activities as per attached Annexure I and II and upload the information including the number of students, teachers, staff and officials who have participated in this campaign along with photographs and
videos on the University Activity Monitoring Portal of UGC (https://www.ugc.ac.in/umap/) under event Swachhata Hi Sewa latest by 05:00 pm on 2nd October, 2019 positively with a report to this office.

Please take it on priority.

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A copy is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

2. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Government of India, New Delhi.
3. Principal Secretary, Environment Department, Govt. of Haryana.
4. Director, Environment Department Haryana, Chandigarh.
5. Regional Director, Regional Directorate of NSS, New Delhi, 15/11 Jamnagar House, New Delhi.
6. PS/PSHE.
7. Director, Secondary Education, Haryana, Panchkula.

Dated, Panchkula 10.09.2019

State NSS Officer 
for Director Higher Education, 
Haryana, Panchkula
"Swachhata Hi Sewa Campaign"

UGC Guidelines for Ban of Plastic Use in Higher Education Institutions

Whereas plastic waste has emerged as one of the biggest environmental concerns adversely impacting the soil, water, health and well-being of citizens at large:

Whereas excess-consumption of plastic combined with limited waste disposal systems has become a challenge to the urban waste disposal systems, and has choked the rivers and water systems in rural areas;

Whereas the time has come for a systematic campaign to reduce the usage of plastic, especially the single use plastic;

Whereas the Government has decided to take plastic ban as a national level campaign to address the environmental hazards being and bring attitudinal changes that shun use of plastics; and

Whereas the educational institutions have the unique spread and influence to educate the students and households on the need for avoiding usage of plastics.

University Grants Commission hereby issues the following guidelines for all the higher educational institutions in the Country:

Guidelines

1. Scope of guidelines:
   (a) These guidelines are applicable to all the higher educational institutions (HEIs) in the Country.
   (b) They encourage HEIs (universities and colleges) to adopt policies and practices towards cleaner and plastic free campuses.

2. All the HEIs in the Country shall strive to make their campuses 'plastic-free' by systematically banning use of plastics and replacing the same with suitable environmental friendly substitutes.

3. Every HEI shall:
   a. Ban use of single-use plastics in canteens, shopping complexes in the institution's premises and hostels, etc.
   b. Carry out awareness drives and sensitization workshops on the harmful impacts of single use plastics.
   c. Mandate all students to avoid bringing non-bio-degradable plastic items to the institution.
   d. Encourage their students to sensitize their respective households about harmful effects of plastics and make their households 'plastic free'
   e. Install necessary alternative facilities like water units to avoid the use of plastic water bottles, and encourage use of alternative solutions like cloth bags, paper bags etc., instead of plastic bottles, bags, covers and other goods on campuses.

4. All HEIs which have adopted villages under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan shall undertake a campaign in their adopted villages till they are converted into 'plastic-free villages' through promoting awareness and encouraging shift to alternative products.

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### Annexure-I

**Suggested list of activities for Educational Institutions of Haryana for “Swachhata Hi Seva”**

11<sup>th</sup> September to 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2019

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<td>Preparation and Awareness</td>
<td>11&lt;sup&gt;th&lt;/sup&gt; September - 1&lt;sup&gt;st&lt;/sup&gt; October, 2019</td>
<td>- Campaign on replacing plastic bags with jute/cloth bags with mass production.</td>
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| 2     | Shramdhan                    | 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2019 | - **National**:  
  > Pledge for plastic waste Free India  
  > States/UTs to announce ban on single use plastics (if any ban not already in place)  
  
- **Community Shramdhan**:  
  > Massive plastic waste collection drives by all across all urban areas.  
  > Mass Segregation drives in all urban areas. |
## Annexure-II

### Suggested list of activities for making public events and cities plastic free.

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<td>Declare complete ban on usage of any single plastic items (cutlery, water bottles, wrappers, container etc) during any college/schools event/festival.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Create Audio Video creative (videos, jingles, print ads) in local language on the plastic free theme and disseminate widely on local radio, TV, print and social media.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Organize Swachhata Rallies and pledges by school/college students, citizens, NGO’s, RWAs, corporates on the theme of plastic mukt Bharat.</td>
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<td>Organize inter Swachhata competitions (essay writing, painting, drama, nukkad natak etc.) on the theme of plastic mukt Bharat.</td>
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<td>Earmark at least one day of every month as plastic free day in every college/school.</td>
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