## DPS SHIKSHA KENDRA SEC -45, GURUGRAM

## Report on the participation of students and teachers in the Gandagi Mukt Bharat campaign held from 8<sup>th</sup> August to 15<sup>th</sup> August 2020:

Students and teachers of DPS Shiksha Kendra, a non-formal school for underprivileged children, enthusiastically participated in the Gandagi Mukt Bharat campaign--a week-long campaign for swacchata, launched by the Department of Drinking water and Sanitation (DDWS) during 8<sup>th</sup> August to 15<sup>th</sup> August.

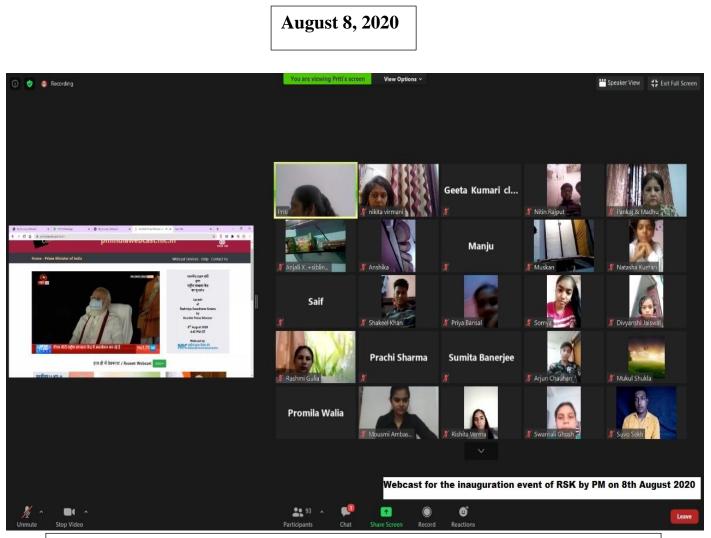
In accordance with the schedule for participatory activities, teachers arranged a zoom meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> August through which around 91students of Shiksha Kendra enthusiastically watched the live telecast of the Rashtriya Swachata Kendra inauguration event. Teachers also arranged a live streaming of the event at a community centre and many students gathered to watch it while maintaining strict social distancing. An equal number of students directly logged on to the webcast link and watched the programme from their homes. A total of 120 Shiksha Kendra students watched the launch of RSK and learnt a lot about India's Swachata journey. After the activity, students and teachers engaged in a lively discussion regarding the government's cleanliness and sanitation drive and how each one could contribute to the noble mission.

On 11<sup>th</sup> August, students voluntarily came forward to participate in the All India wall painting day of the Swacch Bharat Mission messages in villages. The wall around the Government Primary School in Kanhai village, which has been adopted by DPS under the Muskan project, was chosen for the activity. Under the guidance of their teachers, students painted the walls with bright and happy village scenes highlighting the importance of using toilets, segregating dry and wet waste, avoiding the use of plastic, and regular cleaning of streets and open areas. Slogans and messages educating the people regarding sanitation and personal hygiene in villages were also painted alongside the pictures. Students wore masks and gloves and observed social distancing norms during the activity.

A tree plantation activity was carried out by students of Shiksha Kendra and student members of the DPS morning school Interact Club on 12<sup>th</sup> August as part of the Shramdan programme of the government's Gandagi Mukt Campaign. They planted many saplings in an open area near an under-construction Government College in Sector 52, Gurgaon, with enough spacing so that the young plants can grow and flourish into healthy trees. Placards bearing the names the trees were set up beside each sapling. Students watered the saplings and pledged to take care of them as they grow. Many students also made pots out of waste material and planted saplings in their homes.

A large number of Shiksha Kendra students participated in the online painting and essay writing competition scheduled on the 13<sup>th</sup> of August. They were very eager and excited to express their views on the topic 'Gandagi Mukt Mera Gaon' as they were fully aware of the environmental issues in their villages and considered the competition to be a great platform to put forward their thoughts and ideas to the government. Students of classes 6 to 8 sent in

colourful paintings of clean and happy village homes and open areas, and students of classes 9 to 12 wrote well thought out essays in Hindi and English on the challenges and possible solutions surrounding cleanliness in villages.



Web cast for the inauguration event of RSK on 'Gandagi Mukt Mera Gaon' by Prime Minister



Webcast of inauguration event organised for DPS Shiksha Kendra students at Community Centre, Sec-45 by their teachers



All India wall painting day of SBM messages in villages done by DPS Shiksha Kendra students, August 11, 2020 at Govt. Girls Primary School Kanhai.

## August 12, 2020







Tree plantation at Govt. College for Girls, Sec-52 on August 12, 2020

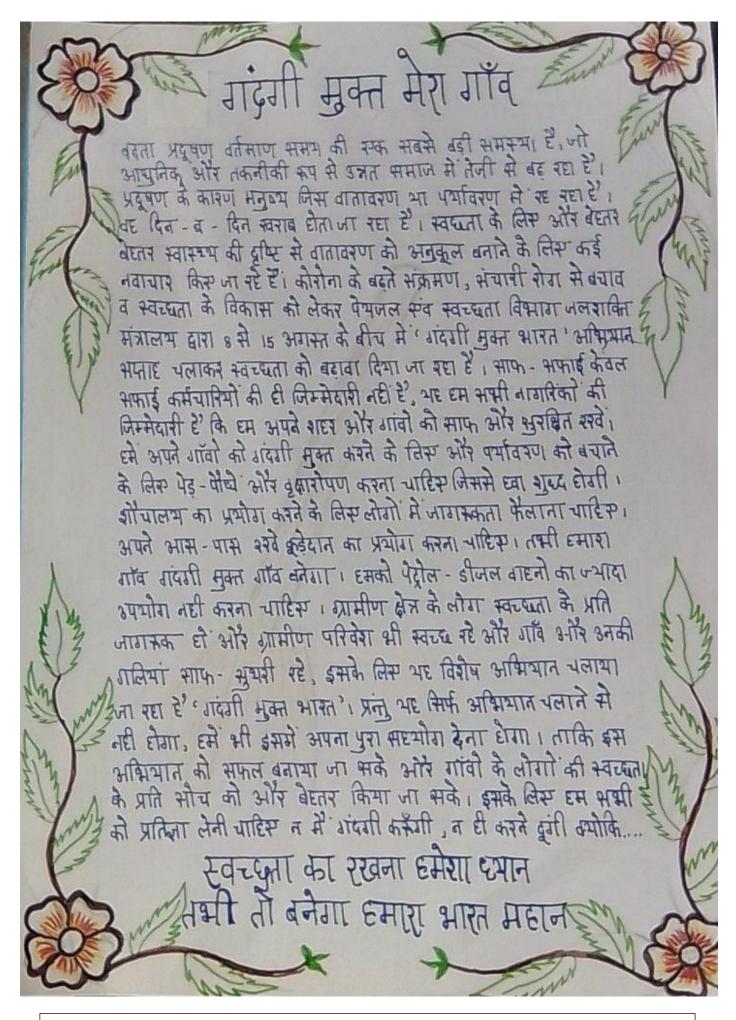


Converting used plastic bottles into planters, August 12, 2020

## August 13, 2020



Online painting competition (classes 6 to 8) by DPS Shiksha Kendra students, August 13, 2020



Online Essay competition on the topic 'Gandagi mukt mera Gaon' (classes 9 to 12) by DPS Shiksha Kendra students, August 13, 2020