

REPORT ON UNNAT BHARAT ABHIYAN ACTIVITIES IN KURUKSHETRA UNIVERSITY

University Institute of Engineering and Technology, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra was selected under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan scheme through challenge mode application for carrying out development activities in different villages and was conveyed by MHRD on 21st June, 2018. After selection, UIET, KUK identified five villages of Thanesar block of Kurukshetra district (Haryana) named- Narkatari, Kirmich, Kanithal Khurd, Bhawani Khera and Kheri Brahmanan and submitted the information to National coordinator (UBA), IIT, Delhi on 6th July, 2018. Dr. Urmila, Assistant Professor, UIET was appointed as UBA coordinator at UIET, KUK. The coordinator and two other faculty members of UIET also attended the workshop on “Planning the UBA activities in the selected villages by the institutes/ universities” organised by IIT, Delhi on 18th July, 2018.

Two villages- Narakatari and Kirmich were replaced by Barwa (Thanesar block) and Kamoda (Pehowa block) later on with the permission of National coordinator, UBA because Narkatari and Kirmich had already been adopted by university after discussion with vice- chancellor. After that the contact details of sarpanch of selected villages was managed and meetings were fixed. Till date two villages- Barwa (9th August, 2018) and Kanithal khurd (13th August, 2018) have been visited by the team of faculty members of UIET headed by Director, UIET. General information about the village was collected as per the performa provided by UBA. On the basis of general discussion with sarpanch, panchayati members and local people, some major problems were analyzed which are given below-

Village Barwa

(Thanesar Block, District. Kurukshetra, Haryana)

A team, consisting of four faculty members, headed by Director UIET, KUK visited the village on 9/8/18 and after due deliberation with villagers, the team identified major problems which are listed below:-

1. **Waste water management** is one of the major problem. Presently this water is discharged in agriculture land without any treatment.
2. **Excessive use of ground water for household purposes-** Panchayat has provided about 10 no. of submersibles in village. Besides these, more than 75% houses have their individual submersible systems. There is no check on this water exploitation.

3. **Problem of power house-** Although the population of village is near about 7500, and panchayat is ready to donate land for power house but this work is still pending. In case of any failure of electricity, villagers have to move 2-3 km in nearby village for rectification.

Village Kanithal Khurd

(Thanesar Block, District. Kurukshetra, Haryana)

A team, consisting of four members, visited the village on 13/8/18 and after due deliberation with villagers, the team identified major problems which are listed below:-

1. Lack of finance with Panchayat for routine work - The population of village is about 3500 and panchayat has only 14 acres of panchayati land for revenue generation. Due to this scarcity of money, villagers are facing a lot of problems-

A) There are street lights but are not used as no money is available for bill payments of these lights. Therefore villagers remain in dark in the night.

B) Electric Power supply of water is not proper. Villagers are preferring to have their own submersible pumps to meet their potable water requirements.

2. Water drainage system- There is a big problem of proper water drainage system. During rainy season, all the streets are full of water and this causes lot of problems for villagers in the form of diseases, difficulties in crossing those streets etc.

3. Poultry farm in village- There are two poultry farms in the villages which are responsible for foul smell as well as diseases. Shifting of these farms is required.

Meetings with sarpanch of other three villages have also been fixed in coming days. A group of students has been selected to carry house hold survey of these villages and this will be started very soon.

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