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Chief Minister launches state-wide Swachhta Hi Seva campaign
Every citizen must be responsible for creating a clean and beautiful environment

The Swachhta Abhiyan is not just a program, it is a mass movement. As a result of this movement, people's awareness of cleanliness has increased. If the surroundings of one's house, roads and other nearby places are clean, it also has a positive impact on people's minds. A clean mentality is developed among people. Everyone has to make this cleanliness movement a success. Chief Minister Professor (Dr.) Manik Saha said this while launching the state-based Swachhta Hi Seva 2025 program at Rabindra Centenary Bhavan yesterday.

The Chief Minister said at the event that it is not possible for the state government alone to keep the society and environment clean. For this, every citizen has to be aware and cooperate with the state government. Every citizen has to be responsible for creating a clean and beautiful environment. Through the cooperation of every person, the state government wants to gift the next generation with clean, beautiful, serene villages, cities, states and countries. The Chief Minister said that due to the visionary initiative of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Swachhta Hi Seva program was launched across the country since 2014. Following the path shown by the Prime Minister, the state government is also trying to make the entire state clean and beautiful. For this, various programs are being implemented across the state.

The Chief Minister also informed that door-to-door waste collection system has been started in 334 urban wards of the state. Eighty five waste management segregation and 635 community toilets, 1277 public toilets have been constructed across the state. More than 22,000 families have been provided with hygienic toilets. Apart from the cities, 765 villages have achieved ODF Plus status under the Rural Swachh Bharat Mission. Under the Swachh Bharat Mission, toilets have been constructed in 5 lakh 1 thousand 232 houses and 590 community toilets have been constructed. To keep the environment clean and healthy and free from plastic pollution, 5 plastic waste management units have been constructed. Initiatives have been taken to construct 13 more units. Praising the work of the sanitation workers, the Chief Minister said that the sanitation workers are the craftsmen who keep the society and environment clean. They should be given due respect. The Chief Minister said that more awareness should be created at the school and college level to keep the environment and society clean and beautiful. The program needs to be eventually successful. He wished the overall success of this campaign.

The special guest of the program, Higher Education Minister Kishore Barman, said that cleanliness is one of the foundations of development. Special importance has been given to cleanliness in every rural area. The Higher Education Minister called on every citizen to come forward to build a clean, disease-free, drug-free society.

The Chief Minister felicitated the sanitation workers working in different subdivisions including Agartala Municipal Corporation for their remarkable work in keeping the environment clean. The special guests present at the event were Agartala Municipal Corporation Mayor and MLA Deepak Majumdar, Urban Development Department's Secretary Abhishek Singh, Rural Development Department's Additional Secretary Kuntal Das, West Tripura District Magistrate Dr. Vishal Kumar, Director of Urban Development Megha Jain, Swachh Bharat Mission Ambassador Padma Shri Deepa Karmakar and others. The welcome address was delivered by Public Works Department Secretary Brijesh Pandey.