

## **AERB conducted Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) campaign 2019 on September 27, 2019**

In line with the initiative of Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and the Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation, Ministry of Jal Shakti, New Delhi have requested to initiate action towards focused plastic waste management and towards the effective ban of Single Use Plastic (SUP) with the theme of 'Plastic Waste Management' under the Swachhata Hi Seva 2019 programme which will run from September 11, 2019 to October 27, 2019. Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation, have requested to conduct various activities including 'shramdan' during the campaign of Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS), 2019.

Accordingly, AERB conducted 'Shramdaan' on September 27, 2019 (Friday) from 11:00 hours to 12:00 hours at its premises and nearby vicinity of AERB (upto Dilwara Building) to collect plastic and other wastes.



***Shri G. Nageswara Rao, Chairman, AERB (second from right) with other employees of AERB in the 'shramdan' activities on September 27, 2019***

Shri G. Nageswara Rao, Chairman, AERB led the group of officers and staff in undertaking "Shramdaan". Lots of plastic bottles, plastic bags and other plastic items were collected from nearby areas of AERB like Sahakari Bhandar, SBI Bank etc. which have been disposed-off at the waste disposal collection centre opposite to Brindavan Building.



***Employees of AERB in the 'shramdan' activities on September 27, 2019***



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AERB for the last one year has already taken adequate measures to eliminate use of plastic in canteen as well as supply of mineral water bottles during meetings. All the employees are discouraged from using plastic carry bags.

As a part of SHS, Shri Vaibhav Gholap, Scientific Officer, R&DD, AERB presented a talk to the students and staff of Atomic Energy Central School-1 on September 25, 2019 and discussed about plastic pollution and its effects on the environment and eventually on the marine animals leading to plastic intake by human beings.

Shri G. Nageswara Rao, Chairman, AERB thanked all the employees for taking active part in "shramdaan" as well as creating awareness towards plastic waste management.



***Shri Vaibhav P. Gholap, Scientific Officer, AERB presenting talk on Swachhata Hi Seva – 2019 at AECS-1, Mumbai***