CSE Online Impact Workshop cum Master Class
On Capacity building initiative for Citywide Water and Sanitation Management

Theme 1: Sanitation Safety Plan, City Sanitation Plan and Citywide Inclusive Sanitation

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**Topic of Presentation:** What Rural can learn from Urban

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Identifying the elephant in the room
Setting the context

- Zila Swachh Bharat Prerak (ZSBP) programme in partnership with erstwhile Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation (MDWS).
- Implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) in Aurangabad District, Bihar.

Training Attended

- **Sanitation safety planning (SSP)** from 09 - 12 October 2018 at Anil Aggarwal Environmental Engineering Training Institute (AAETI)
- **Sanitation safety planning** is a risk based management tool for sanitation systems. The main objective of sanitation interventions is to protect and enhance public health.
Step 1: Initial assessment and problem identification
- Through field visits, understood need for more emphasis on public health concerns in Implementation of SBM.
- Identified community capacity strengthening as the way forward through dedicated sanitation warriors - Swachhgrahis.

Step 2: Planning and initial implementation
- Discussed the plan with district administration and got necessary approvals from District Water and Sanitation committee (DWSC)
- Interviewed 556 swachhgrahis from all 11 blocks of the district.
- Shortlisted 121 swachhgrahis for specialist motivator’s role.
Step 3: Training of selected Swachhgrahis

- **3-day training** provided to selected 121 swachhgrahis with support from UNICEF.
- Special focus on **Public Health** as taught in SSP training with technological focus on **Twin Pit toilet technology** for rural SBM.

Step 4: Monitoring and sustainability

- GPS based monitoring application "Aurangabad Prashasan" developed for tracking progress of Swachhgrahis and toilet construction
- Impressive remuneration of **INR 500 per day** for swachhgrahis to keep them motivated.
Timeline

**PLANNING**
Planning on how to incorporate sanitation safety planning a part of...

**November 2018**

**TRAINING OF SWACHHGRAHIS**
Trained 121 swachhgrahis on ODF +

**February 2019**

**October 2018**

SANITATION SAFETY PLANNING TRAINING
Training on Sanitation safety planning

**December 2018**

INTERVIEWS AND ASSESSMENT
Interviewed 556 swachhgrahis and shortlisted 121...
Impact of project

- Capacity strengthening of Swachhgrahis
- Swachhgrahis were used in awareness generation activities of district during COVID-19 pandemic.

How were learnings of CSE training used in the project?

- CSE training acted as a bridge for using the teachings of the training to be disseminated in rural Bihar for Swachh Bharat Mission
- Training helped in understanding the immense role of public health safety measures in sanitation programmes.
- It helped understanding what rural can learn from urban
Photographs:

Photo 1: During one of the group discussions for assessment of swachhgrahis

Photo 2: During a triggering activity in a school assembly
Photo 3: Poster for training of Swachhgrahis

Photo 4: Presentation given by a team through chart paper during a training
Photo 5: Quality check of a Twin pit toilet during field visit

Photo 6: Drawing of twin pit toilet structure made through chalk powder
Photo 7: Community led total sanitation (CLTS) triggering activity during field visit

Photo 8: Group work activity during training
Photo 9: Location of different swachhghrais

Photo 10: Dashboard of the application displaying progress of toilet constructions