

Sarpanches of Andhra Pradesh witness SWM activities first-hand



The newly elected Sarpanches of East Godavari District in Andhra Pradesh were taken on exposure and field visits to learn about the Government Schemes, particularly the Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen (SBM-G) and to witness in person, the solid waste management (SWM) activities being practiced on the field.

The visits which are a part of the Foundation Training on Panchayat Administration for the new village leaders, are being held from 22nd July to 14th August 2021.

East Godavari District that has 1103 villages held elections in 1075 villages recently. The training is being held on the directive from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh to conduct divisional and district level training for the Sarpanches to familiarize them with the field level government sponsored schemes and to provide adequate knowledge on SWM activities.

The visits included a detailed study on solid waste and liquid waste disposal, dry and wet waste segregation, vermi-compost procedure, and benefits, Nadep pits and how wet waste is managed, garbage collection from doorstep and source, activity of door-to-door collection by green ambassadors and so on.

The visitors also met with green ambassadors at the Mahatma Gandhi statue near the Solid Waste processing Centre in East Godavari.

Going by the reactions of the village leaders, the field trip has helped the sarpanches to expand their knowledge and gave them vast exposure to the government schemes and activities. It would help them solve field level grievances with proper knowledge.