

District Bank has distributed loans worth Rs 180.73 crore.

three days. The collector also took review

of Rs 180.73 crore to 38,747 beneficiaries. The nationalised banks

Bhandara district were present on the occasion.

'Yavatmal distt will be developed under *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan*'

■ District Correspondent
YAVATMAL, June 26

THE *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan* scheme which was launched in 2014 for healthy, clean, independent and prosperous India has now entered the second phase. IITs, NITs along with other 850 colleges have been contributing to the mission will also develop Yavatmal district, said Padmabhushan Dr Vijay Bhatkar, founder of Param computers and President of *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan*.

Bhatkar was speaking at a press conference recently after interacting with the farmers, Dr Ashish Paturkar, Deendayal Prabodhini Pashu and Matsya Vigyan Vidyapeeth Vice-Chancellor, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University Convener Dr D T Ingole and Dr Archana Barabde.

India has 6 lakh villages and



Dr Vijay Bhatkar

more than 900 universities.

All colleges affiliated to IIT, NIT Agriculture, Ayurvedic and other colleges must contribute to the scheme. Today India is still a developing country.

Central Government launched the scheme for the progress in education. All colleges under the scheme have been instructed to adopt a five villages under the scheme. This process is near completion, said Bhatkar.

Bhatkar also said that despite technological development employment opportunities were not generated for youths. In the second phase, the scheme focuses on agriculture and related businesses. A model is being designed to make farmers self-independent.

Bhatkar also said that RSS Sarsanghachalak Mohan Bhagwat has once talked about the *Deendayal* of Yavatmal. He then found out a model based on this. Farmers will progress when the traditional agriculture methods will be backed by new technology. Work in this regard is underway under the *Deendayal Shetakari Vikas* project. Hence, Yavatmal has been chosen for under the scheme for development. Cooperation from women self help group will be required for the model said Bhatkar.

Good response

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CORPORATE social responsibility department of the Adani Group, Adani Foundation, is consistently conducting awareness programmes in rural parts under *Suachhagrah* campaign. It has been immensely contributing to the Prime Minister *Suachha Bharat* mission.

Adani Group is creating awareness among rural masses about importance of keeping their surroundings clean and healthy. Awareness programmes were organised in Churdi, Bhivapur, Garada and Chiddi villages of Tirora tehsil.

Adani Power Maharashtra Ltd, Tirora Project Head Chaitanya Sahoo, Hariprasada Adhale (HR Head), Arindam Chatterjee (Operation and Maintenance Head), Chandresh Shukla, Parbeer Shah, Ashok Kumar Mishra and Adani Foundation's Nitin Shiralkar were chiefly present.