

## **Training of Panchayat Stakeholders on Carbon Neutral Panchayat Survey by IIT Jammu as Regional Coordinating Institute, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.**

Department of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Jammu & Kashmir organized the Training cum Demonstration workshop on Carbon Neutral Panchayat survey for the Stakeholders of Jammu & Kashmir Panchayats through our empanelled agency (IIT Jammu) on 18/7/2023. The aim of this training program is to replicate the Palli Gram Panchayat Model across all Halqa Panchayats of J&K UT

IIT Jammu has already supported RDD&PR in conducting household survey, data digitization, data analyses and report submission to create Palli GP as Model Carbon Neutral Panchayat during 2022-23.

The discussion points of the training were.

- Understanding the concept of carbon neutrality and its significance.
- Recognizing the role of panchayats in achieving carbon neutrality.
- Process followed to make Palli Panchayat Carbon Neutral- Questionnaire and other tools.

Around 120 participants of all the districts of Jammu Province were present including the Dy. Secretary Ms. Sheetal Pandita who encouraged the gathering by her speech.

In an opening session Dr. Riya Bhowmik spoke about, what exactly carbon neutrality is and what are the common carbon sources and why we need to neutralize carbon, all these question were answered by Dr. Bhowmik in a simple understandable language and at the same time she was sharing already done analyses reports of Palli Panchayat. Continuing the session with the speech of senior Prof. R. Uma Shanker, dean Students Affairs IIT Jammu spoke about the carbon neutrality and how we can reduce waste generation and energy consumption by our little effort.

The session of understanding detailed survey form was taken by Ms. Jeyoti Kaul, Project Staff, IIT Jammu. The session concluded with vote of thanks followed by



Lunch.



