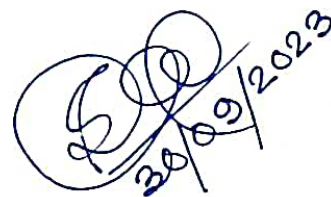


Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology
Report
on
Unnat Bharat Abhiyan Activities

Submitted by

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As per the scope of UBA, many events are conducted by Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology on its five adopted villages: Majitar, Samardung, Sawney, Chewribotey and Zitlang. Faculty and students have interacted with villagers on many occasions. Village surveys as well as household surveys are conducted by faculty members and students. SMIT authorities have always extended full support to UBA team for carrying out all the activities.

Few events under conducted by SMIT as UBA activity are mentioned below.

Open roof Quiz Competition under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan

Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology organized a quiz competition at lower Majitar village on 21 Feb 2023. This event was part of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, a Ministry of Education initiative to build rapport with villagers. About twenty children participated in the quiz competition making 5 teams (Team A, Team B, Team C, Team D and Team E). The theme of the quiz competition was 'Environment and Climate' as per G20 theme. Team B was selected as Winner in the competition. Present Majitar Councillor Ms. Sanju Manger and a few prominent locals graced the event by their presence. Quiz questions were also there for the audience present at the event. Awards were handed over to the winners by Ms. Sanju Manger. SMIT students planned, prepared, and executed the complete event. Dr. Saumya Das, Assistant Professor, UBA Coordinator, SMIT coordinated all the activities for this event. Ms. Jhuma Sunwar, Assistant Professor, CSE assisted in preparing students for the event. Mr. Biswa Gurung (Attender, AI & DS) made all the necessary arrangements at the venue for conducting the competition. Continuous support received from Director, SMIT and Associate Director (SA), SMIT for conducting this event. Villagers have shown their sincere gratitude to Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology, for taking these initiatives for their upliftment. SMIT promised to conduct more such activities for the upliftment of Majitar village in the future.

Some glimpses of these activities are captured here.









Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Campaign' under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan

As per the objectives of **Unnat Bharat Abhiyan**, Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology has conducted one rapport building activity at Samardung village, South Sikkim on 22 Jan 2023. The program name was 'Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Campaign and Pad Distribution'. Around 15 ladies from different households were present in the event. Our trained student members presented a speech on the topic of the event. Our faculty members interacted with villagers for conducting household surveys as per the requirement of UBA. Samardung village (ward 06) sarpanch **Ms. Kritika Sharma** was present in the event. **Mr. Ramesh Chettri**, a social activist at Samardung help us to conduct the event. We promised to conduct more such activities for the upliftment of Samardung village in the future.

Following members were present in the activity.

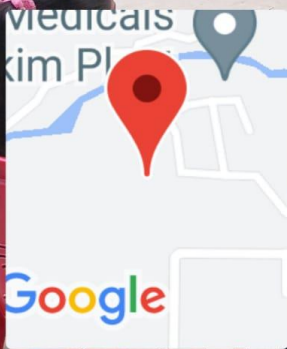
1. Dr. Saumya Das (Faculty and UBA Coordinator, SMIT)
2. Dr. Manish Kumar Roy (Faculty)
3. Dr. Amit Kr. Singh (Faculty)
4. Dr. Partha Pratim Das (Faculty)
5. Dr. Amresh Sinha (Faculty)
6. Mr. Premchand Mahato (Faculty)
7. Mr. Biswa Gurung (Non Teaching Staff)
8. Mr. Rishi Raj Sharma (Student)
9. Ms. Khushi Lamichaney (Student)
10. Ms. Riya Bazgain (Student)

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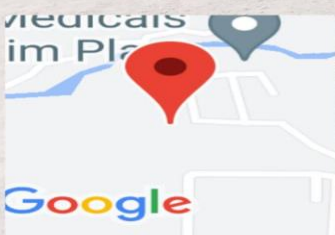
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Football Match at Sawney Village, Menstrual Awareness Program and Pad distribution at Zitlang and Chewribotey

As per the objectives of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology has started surveys at its adopted villages. Data are collected on villages as well as from a few households in each of the adopted villages. To build rapport with villagers, we have started arranging awareness programmes, tournaments, camps, Gramsabhas. Under these activities, a football tournament was arranged at sawney village on 04 Dec 2022 and a menstrual hygiene and awareness campaign, and pad distribution were arranged at Zitlang and Chewribotey on 15 Dec 2022. Few of SMIT students Ms. Asmita Mukherjee, First Year CSE, Ms. Chahat Bagla, First Year CSE, Ms. Binapsha Pradhan, First Year CSE and Ms. Rajshri Tamang, First Year CSE have volunteered at these events. Dr. Saumya Das, Assistant Professor, IT Department, SMIT, Ms. Jhuma Sunwar, Assistant Professor, CSE Department, SMIT and Mr. Biswa Gurung, Attender, AI & DS Department are directly associated with UBA activities from SMIT.

Villagers have shown their sincere gratitude to Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and the Director, Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology, for taking these initiatives for their upliftment. Special thanks to Associate Director (SA), SMIT for his constant encouragement and support for these activities. Also, thanks to HODs of all departments for making the staff available for these activities. Thanks to Head Admin, SMIT for making the vehicle ready for village visit always. We also appreciate the finance team for managing the UBA seed grant fund and disbursing them as needed. We promise to conduct more such activities for the upliftment of our adopted villages in the future.

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Mr. Pankaj Rai, Sarpanch Sawney taking a token of love from Director, SMIT for organizing a football match under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.

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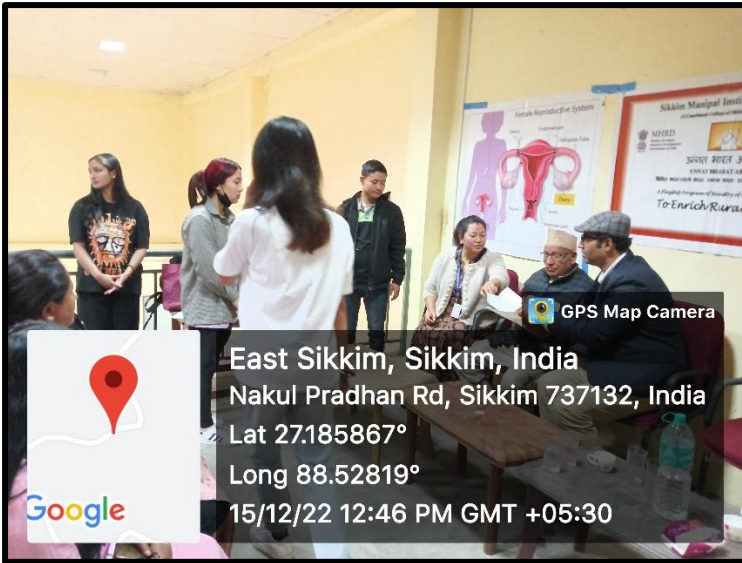
Football match under UBA at Sawney village.



Menstrual Hygiene and Awareness Program under UBA at Zitlang village



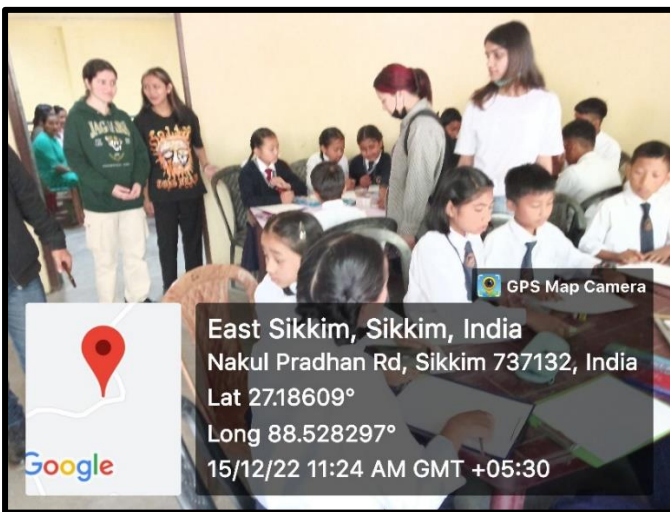
Menstrual Hygiene and Awareness Program under UBA at Zitlang village



Prize Distribution for painting competition at Zitlang village.



Painting competition for kids at Zitlang village. Managed by SMIT student volunteers.



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First prize winner at painting competition at Zitlang on 15.12.2022



Menstrual Hygiene and Awareness Program under UBA at Chewribotey village



Interaction with villagers at Chewribotey.



Interaction with villagers at Chewribotey.



Interaction with Mr. Andrew at Sawney village

Cleanliness Drive and UBA Survey conduction at lower Majitar

Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology organized a cleanliness drive and survey at lower Majitar village on 17 Sep 2023. This event was part of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, a Ministry of Education initiative to build rapport with villagers. UBA cell, SMIT and NSS cell jointly organized the event. 15 students and 2 faculty members participated in the event. 14 villagers were also present in the drive. It was started at 6:30 am in the morning and continued till 9 am. At first phase volunteers started the cleanliness drive at lower Majitar area along with local villagers. It was completed by 8 pm. Then students gathered information from households in UBA survey format. Light refreshment was also arranged for volunteers and villagers. Majitar councilor, Ms. Sanju Manger was also present in the event. SMIT students planned, prepared, and executed the complete event. Dr. Saumya Das, Assistant Professor, UBA Coordinator, SMIT coordinated the activities for this event. Ms. Jhuma Sunwar, Assistant Professor, CSE assisted in preparing students for the event. Continuous support received from Dr. G.L. Sharma, Director, SMIT, Dr. A.P.Tiwary Associate Director (SA), SMIT and Dr. N.K. Bhattacharyya,

Designated Associate Director (SA) for conducting this event. Villagers have shown their sincere gratitude to Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology, for taking these initiatives for their upliftment. SMIT promised to conduct more such activities for the upliftment of Majitar village in the future.

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Cleanliness drive by students



Local villagers join the drive



Collected garbage.



Students conducting survey

Sawney Survey Drive

Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology organized a survey drive at Sawney village on 19 Sep 2023. This event was part of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, a Ministry of Education initiative to collect the household data from the villagers. UBA cell, SMIT organized the event. 2 faculty members and 11 villagers participated in the event. It started at 9:30 am in the morning and continued till 1 pm. Dr. Saumya Das, Assistant Professor, UBA Coordinator, SMIT coordinated the activities for this event. Mr. Abhinandan Baruah, Assistant Professor, ME assisted in collecting data from the villagers. Dr. G. L. Sharma, Director, SMIT and Mr. D.B. Chettri, Head Admin, SMIT extended all necessary support for conducting the survey. Villagers have shown their sincere gratitude to Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology,

for taking these initiatives for their upliftment. SMIT promised to keep close touch with Sawney villagers in future also.

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On the way for survey



Survey conduction at household



Survey conduction at household

Menstrual Awareness and Survey drive at Collagetar, Samardung

Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology organized a menstrual awareness drive and survey at Collagetar, Samardung village on 24 Sep 2023. This event was part of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, a Ministry of Education initiative to build rapport with villagers. UBA cell, SMIT and NSS cell jointly organized the event. 12 villagers and 3 faculty members participated in the event. It started at 2:30 pm and continued till 5 pm. At first phase Ms. Jhuma Sunwar conducted a menstrual awareness program for local women. Then sanitary pads are distributed among the women present in the event. After that Dr. Saumya Das and Dr. Manish Kr. Roy conducted UBA household survey. Dr. Saumya Das, Assistant Professor, UBA Coordinator, SMIT coordinated the activities for this event. Continuous support received from Dr. G.L. Sharma, Director, SMIT and Dr. N.K. Bhattacharyya, Associate Director (SA) for conducting this event. Villagers have shown their sincere gratitude to Unnat Bharat Abhiyan and Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology, for taking these initiatives for their upliftment. SMIT promised to conduct more such activities for the upliftment of Samardung village in future.

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Menstrual Awareness Campaign



Interaction with villagers



Interaction with villagers



Collagetar, Samardung village

Conclusion: Even though it was extremely difficult to hold events and surveys in these five hilly Himalayan villages, SMIT students and staff members made every effort to complete them successfully. Faculty and students faced numerous hurdles, such as persuading villagers to participate in the poll, gathering personal information from them, and inviting them to the event. At the same time, by interacting with villages, faculty members and students learned about their cultures, interests, habits, and livelihood. Overall, UBA activities have greatly expanded the knowledge and experiences of faculty members and students. Faculty members and students have expressed their sincere gratitude to UBA, RCI and SMIT for providing an opportunity to work for Unnat Bharat Abhiyan.