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Last week as I tried to arrange my rather dishevelled study, my eye fell on my old physical chemistry textbook. Over five and a half decades old, it still held a colourful bookmark at the start of the chapter on the nature and speed of chemical reactions. As I browsed through that, fortified with over a half century of experience the relevance of those drab equations suddenly came alive in relationship to present-day social dynamics.

Simply put, the nature and speed of a chemical reaction depend on the reactants, their concentration, the temperature, the speed of the slowest sub reaction and presence of a catalyst. If one substitutes the reactants with human agencies and humans, the temperature with the motivation generated, the slowest sub reaction with the capacity of response of the most disadvantaged cohort, and the catalyst with that agency which aids the reactants but does not react and remains unaltered the relevance is immediately apparent. In this newsletter, one can see in five diverse narratives, in context, the reactants, the motivation, the response of those disadvantaged and the effectiveness of the catalyst.

We have to start with the narrative on Signify- a leader in lighting- illuminating 5 Primary Health Centres (PHCs) in Udaipur, Rajasthan under its Swasthya Kiran CSR program. The project involved the installation of a 2.5 KW solar energy power plant along with energy efficient lights and fans in each Centre. In its own way, the project touches both the problems of adequacy of power supply and its reliability in the delivery of an essential public service.

Next, we move on to the story of Manoj and Neelam of Purnea who belong to the saniation community. Lifes travails through sorrow, privation and misfortune had been compounded in their case by human scorn and trickery. Though scarred by circumstance, the couple understood the benefits of training and based on skills acquired are building a life worth living around themselves submerging a dim past.

Thirdly we have the story of ITC Mission Sunehra Kal supporting the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) and in a new

initiative extending technical and implementation support to Chirala Municipal Corporation (CMC) in 3 Sanitation zones. CMC generates a total of 30 Tonnes per day average (TPD) of unsegregated solid waste from 33 elected wards comprising 23,651 households, and the entire waste is dumped in a landfill at Ramapuram SWPC shed without any recycling despite 74% being recyclable. Under the initiative the waste from households is collected by the CMC at the doorstep on daily basis by using push carts and then loaded into the autos/tractors for further transportation to the transit yard. ITC is now planning to extend technical support to the CMC on awareness creation, behavior change, and people participation, to develop a sustainable and scalable program based on a training and action blueprint developed by Finish Society. Fourthly under the aegis of the NSE Foundation FINISH Society is working in Nandurbar block to raise awareness of the need for adequate and sustainable menstrual hygiene management facilities for adolescent girls, in schools and beyond, and to advocate for breaking taboos and stigma around menstruation. The Society is promoting the concept of developing dignity room, a designated clean & functional toilet known as "Pratishtha Kholi- Dignity Room" by liaising with the local government and communities.

Finally, we have a report of how basic concepts of groundwater recharge techniques, aquifers, artificial recharges, types of hydrogeological setup and properties were discussed at a three-day training program on Water & Wastewater Management in Rural Areas conducted by Centre for Science & Environment, (CSE) Neemli, Rajasthan campus from January 31, 2023, to February 02, 2023.

All these represent ripples at the ground level which hopefully will gain through demonstration, conviction and adoption enough momentum to get widespread acceptance. In all these narratives, the reader would note the presence of a common catalyst: Finish Society. The discerning reader would see that unbridled consumerism is creating yawning gaps and traps as it continues its dubious march towards unconcerned self-gratification. Unless this is tempered, great perils await all.

We at Finish-- a small and growing Society, find satisfaction at our growing presence, availability and credibility to partner with those organisations who wish to act towards restoration and preservation of depleting resources which sustain life.

## Signify-FINISH make a splash for illuminating 5 PHCs in Udaipur



Signify, the world leader in lighting, recently illuminated 5 primary health centers (PHC) in Udaipur, Rajasthan under its Swasthya Kiran CSR program. The idea and execution of the project created a major buzz in local media both in Udaipur and Jaipur and the credit for this should go to FINISH project Manager Naval Sharma, Signify team member Rakesh Kumar Singh and FINISH Team member Sanjay Srivastava for galvanizing coverage from over a dozen media publications in both Udaipur and Jaipur.

The project, executed in partnership with FINISH Society, will provide stable, clean and reliable energy supply to these health centers, thereby ensuring better access to health care services for more than 1 lakh people in the district.

The project includes the installation of a 2.5 KW solar energy power plant along with energy efficient lights and fans in

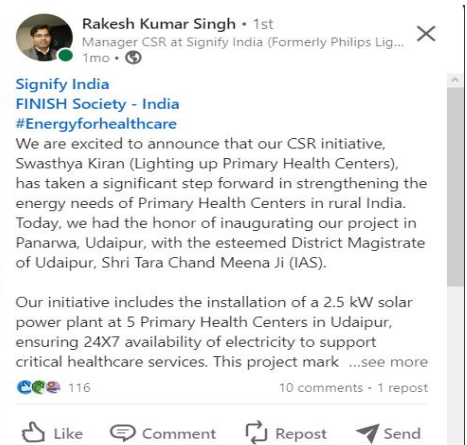
*“We are delighted to illuminate 5 primary health centers in Udaipur, Rajasthan under our Swasthya Kiran CSR program. Our intent is to provide good quality illumination in these centers, thereby enabling better access to medical services while also ensuring long term sustainability. We shall keep moving towards our goal of touching many more lives in the future with our CSR projects”*

**Natasha Wadhwa, Head – CSR, Signify Innovations India Limited.**

each health center. The solar power plant will enable the centers to function even in the absence of power supply and will be especially relevant in this arid region, considering the extreme weather conditions during the summer months. The project was recently inaugurated by Shri Tara Chand Meena, IAS, District Magistrate, Udaipur. He highly commended Signify and FINISH Society for their efforts and bringing their synergies for the benefit of the citizens in the district.

Inaugurating the event, Abhijit Banerji, Member Secretary, FINISH Society said, “It is a privilege to be associated with Signify and continue working towards betterment of the society. In the second phase of the Swasthya Kiran program, we are glad to partner with the company to provide quality medical services to citizens of Udaipur who will no longer face power supply obstructions and will also be able to save on cost and energy simultaneously with the solar power plant installed by Signify.” FINISH Society with Signify is ensuring that the rural population of Udaipur gets uninterrupted healthcare services by providing solar energy to primary health centers of the city. [Link to social media post from signify.](#)

[https://www.linkedin.com/posts/rakesh-kumar-singh-017156a\\_energyforhealthcare-csrinitiative-sustainableenergy-activity-7043284410653130753-bFWJ?utm\\_source=share&utm\\_medium=member\\_desktop](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/rakesh-kumar-singh-017156a_energyforhealthcare-csrinitiative-sustainableenergy-activity-7043284410653130753-bFWJ?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop)



## This couple has a rags to riches story to share, thanks to O&M training in Purnea



Caste and class distinctions are fraught with deep-rooted biases and prejudices in the Indian hinterland. A case in point is that of Manoj and his wife Neelam in Purnea. The couple was shunned by society for belonging to the sanitation community and they were both scorned and looked down upon in Purnea district of Bihar. The heroic story of Manoj is worth recounting. His family lived in a small room in Harda Basti, and he somehow managed to study till class 8 when all of a sudden, his father expired. Manoj has an elder brother who had separated from his family and preferred to shift base and went on to live with his in-laws. No one came to help him even from the sister's house and our male dominated society does not accept help from daughters. This saga of struggle continued despite the fact that his father worked in a government job in a nationalized bank. Manoj did not get a job in his father's place, a provision that has been put in place by the government. This is because he was underage and hence not eligible. Distraught and desperate he found work as a cleaner in a local hotel in Bhat Bazar for a measly Rs 1000 a month. Half his salary was spent in travelling from his village to the city of Purnea.

As luck would have it, one fine morning the FINISH Society team visited Kasba Block and wanted to create a list of members who could be scientifically trained for Operations and Maintenance (O&M) work for toilet cleaning. The team briefed the youngsters about the benefits of formal training and the kind of salary it would fetch them, but most of the Dalit work force refused to get their names registered for the O & M training. Surprised at this refusal, when the



FINISH team probed deeper, they came to know that during the Covid 19 lockdown a private company from Patna approached them, took some money from each one of them and gave them a cleaning job in Patna. After toiling hard for 6 months, these toilet cleaners were sacked and they were neither paid a single paisa for the period they worked nor did they get back the money they deposited to the company. They were not willing to burn their fingers yet again with the offer made by FINISH Society.

When the prospective employees were told about FINISH's transparent way of working and were assured, they would not have to shell out a single paisa, Manoj agreed to join when he was assured that a formal training certificate would be given to him. Manoj also enrolled his wife Neelam's for the O&M training. The couple was going through a tough time since they had 2 children besides his mother and making both ends meet had become a well-nigh impossible task. They were also told that after training they would be provided with cleaning equipment and other sanitation material. Making bamboo baskets to keep the home fires burning proved to be of little help. The training took place in two parts, one in December 2022 and the other in January 2023. Manoj, his wife and others participated in the training very enthusiastically. During the training sessions Manoj was in the forefront to answer every question and ask whatever he didn't understand. After the training, everyone was happy to receive some cleaning equipment and training certificates from FINISH Society. Later, on showing the training certificates Neelam got a job in a local hospital, and started getting a salary of Rs 5200 per month. Manoj, in the meantime got a job in a hospital in the Line market, and started drawing a salary of Rs 6000 per month. The training certificate came as a boon and he got hired in the middle school in Harda and started getting Rs 1000 as monthly wages. What further boosted their income was the fact that the hospital would pay separately for running the sanitization machine at the rate of Rs 75 per room due to which his income had catapulted to Rs17,000 per month.

Today, he sends his two children to study in a CBSE run private school. He has also bought an e-rickshaw on loan and works in the hospital from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. After this he plies his e-rickshaw from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. and earns another Rs 10,000. They say that money is a great leveler. Today, Manoj and his family get a lot of respect in society and he says, "no work is small, if it helps you move forward in life." His wife Neelam comes back from work and looks after her two children. She says earlier "nobody would even speak to us and would consider us and the children as untouchables but today our lives have transformed beyond recognition.

## ITC-MSK & FINISH launch DSWM project in 3 sanitation zones of Chirala Urban

ITC Mission Sunehra Kal is supporting the Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) launched by the government towards scientific solid waste management in multiple towns/cities of the country. In a new initiative, ITC is now extending technical and implementation support to Chirala Municipal Corporation (CMC) in 3 Sanitation Zones of Chirala Urban. FINISH Society with the support/funding of ITC MSK started the Decentralization of Solid Waste Management - DSWM project in Chirala of Bapatla District, Andhra Pradesh. On February 4, 2023, the DSWM project Orientation Programme was conducted for all the Chirala Municipality Staff.

The Chairman of Chirala Municipality, Commissioner, ITC Factory Chirala Staff, Environment Engineer, Ward Sanitation & Environment Secretaries, Ward Planning & Regulation Secretaries, Ward Amenities Secretaries, Ward Volunteers, Sanitation Supervisors, and Finish Society staff were among those who participated in right earnest. An exposure visit was conducted for the CMC Staff of AE, WSES & Supervisors (20 participants) to Guntur to see the USWM Project. They were briefed about SWM Activities, Nutrition Garden, Home Composting, Hub Composting units, and Cluster composting units.

They also attended the Mohalla Committee meeting, interacted with the Sanitary Department and the officials of GMC (Guntur Municipal Corporation), and visited the Dry waste Center.

It may be mentioned that the Chirala Municipal Corporation (CMC) generates a total of **30 Tonnes** per day average (TPD) of unsegregated solid waste from 33 elected wards comprising **23,651** households, and the entire waste is dumped in a landfill at Ramapuram SWPC shed without any recycling (Source: Discussion with municipal officials).

A total of 30 Tonnes per day (TPD) of solid waste is generated in all the wards (8.0 Tonnes from residential households and 18.0 Tonnes from commercials, including shops and hospitals, etc.). Out of the total waste generated, around 74% is recyclable waste.

The waste from households is collected by the CMC at the doorstep on daily basis by using push carts and then loaded into the autos/tractors for further transportation to the transit yard. ITC is now planning to extend technical support to the CMC on awareness creation, behavior change, and people participation, to develop a sustainable and scalable program.



Segregation  
(Household Level)



Home Composting  
(Wet Waste)



Door to Door  
Collection



Transportation



Secondary  
Segregation



Cluster composting



Dry Waste  
Reuse/Recycle (Sale)



Landfill (Hazardous  
Waste)

## Prerna Bhavan 'Dignity Room' inaugurated in Nandurbar

FINISH Society is working in partnership with NSE Foundation in Nandurbar block for creating enablers of ODF Sustainability, one aspect of which is to raise awareness about the need for adequate and sustainable menstrual hygiene management facilities for adolescent girls, in schools and beyond, and to advocate for breaking taboos and stigma around menstruation.

FINISH Society is promoting the concept of developing dignity room, a designated clean & functional toilet known as "Pratishtha Kholi- Dignity Room" by liaising with the local government and communities. The dignity room is equipped with the following:

- A bucket filled with water
- A mug
- Soap hung in a mesh bag inside the toilet
- Paper cutouts hung on a metal string to wrap used pad
- A hook with a bag to keep new pad while changing and cleaning
- A dustbin (Pink colour especially for MHM waste)
- Incinerator to dispose-of used pads safely
- Poster on disposal of sanitary waste inside on one of the walls.

Dignity room was developed in Shirirampur GP of Nandurbar Block to promote safe hygiene practices amongst girls. The Nandurbar FINISH Society Team inaugurated the Sakhi Prerna Bhavan at Shirirampur Village in the presence of Chief Guest Adv. Seema Valvi

(President ZP), Dr. Varsha Phadod (Dy. CEO, Water & Sanitation Dept. ZP), Dr. Rahul Chaudhari (DEO), Mrs. Pawar (Asst. BDO, PS), Mr. Nikumbhe (Ext. Officer, PS). Initially, dignitaries were welcomed on behalf of the village and FINISH Society Team with a folk dance and song. ZP school HM Mr. Kulkarni & Mr. Rakesh Gurav (CC) gave an introductory speech to address the guests and tell about the work done by the FINISH Society Team till date.



The chief guest cut the ribbon and inaugurated the Sakhi Prerna Bhavan. The Pad vending Machine and Incinerator were also inaugurated by cutting a ribbon by Mrs. Gangurde and the teenage girls demonstrated the working of both to the dignitaries. Later, all the dignitaries visited the work sites previously developed by the team in the village. They inspected the Grey Water Treatment plant, Hand Washing Station, Retrofitting of Girls Toilet block at Zilla parishad School, Stand post Soak pit and Individual Household compost pit.

In Shirirampur Village, it was an achievement for the team that the Gram Panchayat by observing the retrofitting of girls' toilet block at Zilla Parishad School, they by themselves approached the team and asked them to do the same for Boys' Toilet Block from the Gram Panchayat Fund.

To make this event happen at such a large scale, FINISH Society Nandurbar team ensured that the girls from the Village and PRI members are fully aware of the concept. Regular meeting was conducted with PRI members and the teenage girls along with the key persons of the village to make them familiar with the Sakhi Prerna Bhavan.

## 3-day training held on water & waste management in rural area

Basic concepts of groundwater recharge techniques, aquifers, artificial recharges, types of hydrogeological setup and properties were discussed at a three-day training program on Water & Wastewater Management in Rural Areas conducted by Centre for Science & Environment, (CSE) Neemli, Rajasthan campus from January 31, 2023 to February 02, 2023. On Day 1 a discussion was initiated on decision making for Ground Water Recharge and Designing of Recharge Structures. The session dwelt upon the reasons for ground water crisis and what can be done to overcome this situation. This was followed up by taking up the topic of Rain Water Harvesting (RWH) and its components.

These included a. Conveyance System-Down pipes, Storm Water Drains; b. De-silting Chambers; c. Filter chambers and filter materials; d. Storage tanks and e. Recharge wells

On Day 2, the topic under discussion was Introduction to Geographic Information System & Remote Sensing for Water Management and Ground water Recharge. Classroom discussions were held on introduction to Geographic Information System and how can GIS be used for water management A detailed discussions on criteria for suggesting different techniques with the help of GIS were done. This was followed by Introduction to Q-GIS and with importing of data (Bhuvan website), thematic maps, geo-referencing of maps was taught with demonstration.

There was a shift in the theme on day 3 wherein Greywater treatment and reuse at household, community and village level was taken up. Topics from point of source to point of treatment were thrashed threadbare and these included:

- Centralised systems – Waste stabilization ponds/Constructed wetlands/DEWATS/SBT etc.
- Semi-centralized systems – Community plantation /Community leach pit
- Decentralised systems – Kitchen Garden/Soak pit/Leach pit &

Conveyance of Greywater. It was stressed that for grey water to be treated through centralised systems conveyance systems need to be established.

On February 3, to understand onsite construction, a field visit was conducted and the structures visited included Rain water Harvesting, Soil Bio Technology, DEWATS with conveyance system. □ The last exercise was presentation of village level plan for waste water treatment by teams.



## Finish in News-

- **The enthusiasm for cleanliness of a key member** of the cleanliness initiative of FINISH Society is volunteer Balveer Singh Chaudhary who has become the centre of attraction due to his fetish towards the program. The story of Mr. Balveer Singh Chaudhary is captured by a news portal under the title [His Tattoo And Fetish For Cleanliness Have Made Him A Local Legend \(thenewsagency.in\)](https://thenewsagency.in)
- Brijmohan's thinking is not only about being proactive about cleanliness, but he has also specially written slogans of cleanliness on his tricycle. Messages like Clean Sanet, Success through resolution and My garbage is my responsibility. This is the reason why today Brijmohan of Sanet village has created a buzz for himself as a cleanliness soldier. <https://hindi.news18.com/news/rajasthan/karauli-unique-initiative-of-this-disabled-about-cleanliness-everyday-with-the-message-of-cleanliness-5875401.html>
- In a recent interview, Mr. Rajkumar Sampath, Advisor at FINISH Mondial, shared his views on his successful journey of scripting the FSM (Faecal Sludge Management) story "Poo to Prosperity" in Nilgiris. According to Mr. Sampath, the journey began with the realization that FSM was a major problem in many parts of India, especially in rural areas. The lack of proper management of human waste not only posed health hazards but also led to adverse environmental effects. To holistically tackle this issue, Mr Rajkumar Sampath shares his journey to our Media Advisor Mr Chander Mahadev. <https://www.finishsociety.org/the-inside-story-behind-scripting-the-fsm-poo-to-prosperity-story-in-nigiris/>
- Recently FINISH Society with the help of SBI-Foundation successfully installed 150 KW Solar Plant in the Government Hospital of Karauli and installed another 150 KW Solar Power Plant in District Hospital Hindan City. The Inauguration event of Karauli Hospital was captured by local news channels of district- [https://youtu.be/0oq1UM\\_U7xw](https://youtu.be/0oq1UM_U7xw)

- The Life story of our key pillar for the SWM project of Amritsar, Ms Devirani is captured succinctly in the [SBM Urban 2.0 Newsletter SWACCH VAARTA](#).





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## मेरा विद्यालय स्वच्छ विद्यालय श्रमदान कर किया पौधारोपण



### जागो जनमत

आज राजकीय उच्च प्राथमिक विद्यालय हाथीखेड़ा में डीसीएम श्रीराम फाऊंडेशन द्वारा संचालित खुशहाली स्वच्छता परियोजना के तहत आज फिनिश सोसायटी टीम द्वारा विद्यालय में बाल संसद एवं विद्यालय स्टाफ के साथ मिलकर विद्यालय में श्रमदान व पौधारोपण किया गया। पौधारोपण करने हेतु बालसंसद के पदाधिकारियों द्वारा विद्यालय में

वेस्ट सामग्री से नए नए डिजाइन्स के गमले तैयार किये गए, गमलों में पानी की बोतल लगा कर नई तकनीकों से गमले तैयार कर पौधारोपण किया गया। विद्यालय में बच्चों के साथ मिलकर विद्यालय स्वच्छता व मेरा विद्यालय मेरी जिम्मेदारी के तहत विद्यालय को स्वच्छ और सुंदर रखने हेतु फिनिश टीम के साथ मिलकर पूरे विद्यालय में श्रमदान किया गया।

## मेरा विद्यालय मेरा घर है, बच्चों ने किया श्रमदान



जागो जनमत

\*और लगाए गए पौधे\*

राजकीय बालिका उच्च माध्यमिक विद्यालय विज्ञान नगर में डीसीएम श्रीराम फाऊंडेशन द्वारा खुशहाली स्वच्छता परियोजना के अंतर्गत फिनिश सोसायटी टीम द्वारा विद्यालय में बाल संसद के सदस्य एवं विद्यालय के स्टाफ के साथ समस्त विद्यालय के स्टाफ ने अपने विद्यालय में श्रमदान कर पौधे लगाए गए। जिसमें फिनिश सोसायटी टीम द्वारा बाल संसद के सदस्यों ने बड़े चढ़कर श्रमदान में सहयोग किया। श्रमदान के दौरान बच्चों ने विद्यालय परिसर तथा पेड़ पीछों में आने वाली खरपतवार को हटाया। विद्यालय की सभी कक्षाओं, शौचालय एवं विद्यालय की साफ सफाई की गई।

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आज विद्यालय में बच्चों के साथ मिलकर विद्यालय स्वच्छता व मेरा विद्यालय मेरी जिम्मेदारी के तहत विद्यालय की साफ सफाई के लिए फिनिश टीम के साथ मिलकर पूरे विद्यालय में श्रमदान किया गया एवं विद्यालय परिसर में बाल संसद द्वारा निर्मित बाल संसद गार्डन में पौधारोपण कर हर एक पौधे की जिम्मेदारी बाल संसद के बच्चों को दी गई जिसमें बाल संसद के बच्चों द्वारा एक नेम टैक लगाकर पौधे का नाम, पौधे की उम्र, पौधे की वैरायटी एवं पौधों को पानी देने की जिम्मेदारी तक बाल संसद के सदस्यों को जवाबदारी सौंपी गई एवं विद्यालय बच्चों को व्यक्तिगत स्वच्छता, हाथ धुलाई, शौचालय के नियमित उपयोग एवं उसका

खरखार के बारे में जानकारी दी गई आज के कार्यक्रम में बाल संसद एवं विद्यालय विकास एवं प्रबंधन समिति के सदस्य गण गजाला जी, विवेक जी मित्तल, अमरलता जी संस्था प्रधान प्रतिभा त्रिपाठी व समस्त स्टाफ सदस्यों ने डीसीएम श्रीराम लिमिटेड के सहयोग से फिनिश सोसायटी से परियोजना प्रबंधक महेश चौहान, हरिस्वरूप राजोरा, उ म र । विश्वकर्मा, मनोज, सचिन, जगमोहन, विरिस्टोफर, किरण, सलमा व टीम के सदस्य गण ने श्रमदान एवं पौधारोपण कार्य संपन्न किया।



## करौली में 150 केवी, हिण्डौन में 170 के सिस्टम लगाए कलक्टर ने शिला पट्टिका का किया अनावरण



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करौली. यहां सामान्य चिकित्सालय और हिण्डौनसिटी के राजकीय चिकित्सालय में स्थापित किए गए सोलर पावर सिस्टम का मंगलवार को विधिवत उद्घाटन हुआ। जिला कलक्टर अंकितकुमार सिंह ने यहां सामान्य चिकित्सालय में शिला पट्टिका का अनावरण कर सोलर पावर ग्रिड स्टेशनों का शुभारंभ किया। सोलर पावर सिस्टम लगने से



करौली. सामान्य चिकित्सालय में सोलर पावर सिस्टम के लिए शिलापट्टिका का अनावरण करते जिला कलक्टर।

अब करौली एवं हिण्डौनसिटी के चिकित्सालयों में सूर्य की रोशनी से बिजली आपूर्ति होगी। इससे अस्पतालों में न केवल बिजली संकट दूर होगा, बल्कि प्रतिवर्ष बिजली पर खर्च होने वाली लाखों रूपय की राशि की बचत भी होगी।

अस्पतालों में फिनिश सोसायटी की ओर से एसबीआई कार्ड के सीएसआर सहयोग से सोलर पावर सिस्टम स्थापित किए गए हैं। इस मौके पर जिला कलक्टर अंकितकुमार सिंह ने सोलर पावर सिस्टम लगने पर खुशी जताई।

### करौली में 150 केवी और हिण्डौन में 170 केवी के सोलर

इस मौके पर कोमजन इफो सिस्टम प्राइवेट लिमिटेड के कार्यकारी निदेशक सुमित लांबा ने बताया कि करौली हॉस्पिटल में करीब 73 लाख रूपय की लागत से 150 किलोवाट और हिण्डौनसिटी के राजकीय चिकित्सालय में करीब 81 लाख रूपय की लागत से 170 किलोवाट के सोलर पावर ग्रिड स्टेशन स्थापित किए हैं। इनमें करौली में कलक्टर ने कहा कि इससे अस्पतालों में बिजली बिल का खर्चा खत्म हो जाएगा। करौली हॉस्पिटल में ही करीब एक करोड़ की बिजली की बचत होगी। इस अवसर पर प्रतिदिन करीब 600 से 700 युनिट और हिण्डौन में 700 से 800 युनिट बिजली का प्रतिदिन उत्पादन होगा। उन्होंने बताया यह ऑन ग्रिड सिस्टम है, जिसके तहत सोलर पावर सिस्टम के तहत बनने वाली बिजली में से अस्पताल में होने वाली बिजली खपत के बाद जो बिजली (युनिट) शेष रहेगी, वो निगम को दे दी जाएगी। प्रमुख चिकित्सा अधिकारी डॉ. दिनेश गुप्ता, अस्पताल के डिट्टी कंट्रोलर डॉ. आशीष शुक्ला, वरिष्ठ नर्सिंग अधिकारी मोहनलाल शर्मा, जगमोहन माली, राघवेंद्र शुक्ला

आदि मौजूद रहे। इससे पहले कलक्टर ने सोलर पावर सिस्टम का अवलोकन भी किया। गौरतलब है कि करौली सामान्य चिकित्सालय में वर्षभर में तीनों भवनों (शहर व मण्डरायल मार्ग) में लगभग एक करोड़ रूपय बिजली बिल पर खर्च हो रहे हैं। लगभग 15 लाख रूपय जन्नेटरो में डीजल पर खर्च हो रहे हैं। गर्मियों में बिजली की आंखमिचौली और लोड अधिक होने से जन्नेटरो भी हाफ जाते हैं, लेकिन अब सौर ऊर्जा से बिजली संकट दूर होने की उम्मीद है। उल्लेखनीय है कि अभी करौली में मण्डरायल मार्ग स्थित अस्पताल के भवनों में भी सोलर सिस्टम लगाए जाएंगे।

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