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SWACHH BHARAT MISSION

In pursuit of the efforts made by the Centre and the State Govt. to propagate the message of Swachh Bharat Mission, an Inter School Quiz Competition was organized by Municipal Corporation Shimla with the name "Ecobuzz" on 06th August, 2015 at Multipurpose Hall, Gaiety Theater.

In this regard, nominations were called from the schools of Shimla to participate in the quiz. The schools were asked to send nominations of up to maximum of three teams. In total 26 schools participated in the competition with a total of 66 teams, having two participants in each team.

The quiz started at 10:00AM with the screening test of all the teams. The questionnaire was having 30 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) based on Environment. This was followed by a documentary show. Chief Guest

of the event, Mr. Sanjay Chauhan, Mayor, MC Shimla formally inaugurated the quiz after the



documentary show, followed by lighting the lamp and announcing the top seven teams qualifying screening round.

The quiz comprised three rounds including question and answer, picture identification and rapid fire test. The questions in quiz were mainly based on the theme "Swachh Bharat Mission", Environment including the history of Shimla city.

Aditya Sharma and Kanchan Sood from Kendriya Vidyalya, Jakhoo stood first by scoring 70 points in all the three rounds. They were followed by the Sarthak & Abhimanyu from Dayanand Public School, and Nataliya & Kuldip from D.A.V. Public School, New Shimla, bagging 1st runner up and 2nd runner up positions respectively. The prize money for winner, 1st runner up and 2nd runner up was Rs. 10,000/ -, 6,000/- & 3,000/- respectively. The top seven teams i.e. Auckland House School. Shimla Public School. Portmore and Govt. High School, Summer Hill, were given consolation prize of Rs. 500.

The Director, Urban Development, HP enlightened

the students, teachers and other present, about the Swachh Bharat Mission in the concluding session of the event. He also honored the students by disbursing the prize and momentos to the teams.







UPDATE YOUR MOBILE NUMBER FOR WATER BILL ALERT

Now get your water bill alert on your mobile number. For the ease of consumers Municipal Corporation Shimla has decided to give the facility of water bill alert on consumer registered mobile number through

SMS. If your mobile number is not registered ,the please log on to Municipal corporation website: mybill.shimlamc.gov.in and click on update profile (water) and update your mobile number and other details. For updation of your

profile your water bill account number will be required. You can also pay your bill online through the same web page.



MODERN MUNICIPAL ABATTOIR

Ten slaughter houses were sanctioned by Ministry of Food processing and Industry under 11th Five year plan, out of which Shimla Municipal Corporation Abattoir was the second to be commissioned and constructed in May 2014.

Shimla has also achieved

unethical slaughtering which includes even poultry birds.

The Modern Municipal Abattoir was constructed with the total cost of Rs. 2642 lakhs. With an installed capacity of 4050 tons per day.

Shimla Municipal corporation is the only Government

organization sterilizing stray dogs with in Municipal limits.



SMART CITY WORKSHOP

The Smart city workshop was organised by Cisco & Aura Ventures which was coordinated by MC Shimla at Hotel Holiday Home on 7th August 2015. The Seminar aimed at engaging with the state stakeholders for evolving a correct framework in alignment with the National Smart City Policy under the ministry of Urban Development.

The objective of Seminar was to:

- Highlight the use and application of Smart Applications such as smart surveillance, smart grid, smart metering, smart lighting, Remote Expert for Govt Services (REGS), Wi Fi Grid etc. leading to the creation of Databases and Dashboards for City Infrastructure Management having a direct impact on citizen's quality of life.
- Showcasing technological solutions using sensors and the internet to solve a range
 of city problems, from water leaks and air pollution to traffic congestion and the
 garbage crisis. Sensors, it said, would be present on every building, lamppost, garbage bin and water pipe in the city that would then help in monitoring and controlling them.
- Bring out the integration challenges while we use the legacy and IP networks for creating the network for the Smart City



DEPUTATION OF NODAL OFFICERS FOR COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAX

It has been observed that some owners/occupiers of buildings were not depositing property tax i.e. Property tax Form E (Self Assessment Form). Considering that it is mandatory on part of owners to deposit the property tax for each financial year, the notices have been issued to the owners /occupiers of the building to deposit their Self Assessment Forms for Property Tax i.e. Form E. With the repetitive request made by MC Shimla through print and electronic media, MC Shimla has deputed Nodal officers and Ward officers for each ward for dissemination of information regarding E forms.

DEPLOYMENT OF NODAL OFFICERS FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION DUE TO STRIKE OF SEHB SOCIETY WORKERS

In view of strike called by SEHB society workers, MC Shimla has appointed Nodal officers and drivers for each ward under MC limit to coordinate for collection and smooth functioning of solid waste in all the wards.

HONEY SUCKER

Shimla city has Sewerage Treatment Plants with a total installed capacity of 36MLD but due to the topographical conditions of the Shimla city, some of the areas/households are not connected to the main sewer network. Due to the missing links, the septic tanks overflow when filled or during rains. Moreover, presently under The Employment of Manual Scavengers and Construction of Dry Latrines (Prohibition) Act, 1993 & THE PROHIBITION OF EMPLOYMENT AS MANUAL SCAVENGERS AND THEIR REHABILITATION ACT, 2013, it is prohibited to engage any person without any proper gear for clearing of septic tanks. This causes the exposure of night soil in the vicinity and pollutes the environment. The pollution caused due to this, to the natural water bodies of the city has been of a major concern from health point of view as use of such water causes many diseases like Jaundice, Diarrhea etc. The incident of such disease outbreak has happened in past in the city, especially in the areas where the natural water sources exist and are used by local residents.

Therefore, to tackle this problem, for the first time in Himachal Pradesh, Municipal Corporation has introduced the "Suction Machine", also known as "HONEY SUCKER", under the Septage Management Program. The Honey Sucker, having a capacity of 1500 ltrs tank mounted on pick up van can be used for clearing of septic tank from the vertical height of 21ft.

This Honey Sucker can be demanded by anyone on any day for the cleaning of the septic tanks by giving a call on toll free number of MC Helpline - 1916.



