

Community Led Total Sanitation Triggered by Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Sundargarh-II

During initiation of Swatch Bharat Programme nationwide in year 2017-18 KVK Sundargarh-II took initiatives in its adopted villages to make them “Open defecation free”. During the training sessions and other extension activities the scientists of KVK educated the people of one such village Guduguda in Barilepta GP of Nuagaon block in Sundargarh district of Odisha regarding the health hazards associated with “Open defecation” and convinced them to use toilets. They were repeatedly educated about environment pollution, high level of open defecation linked to high child mortality, poor nutrition, poverty and large disparities between rich and poor.

In the year 2017, KVK set an example by setting up a toilet in house of a tribal farmer Mr. Zabrius Tirkey by doing “Shramdaan”. After the toilet was functional and used by the family, it created motivation for others. The village community got encouraged to contact the Govt. officials who gladly cooperated with the villagers and every household in the village got connected to “Swatch Bharat Mission” and had one-one toilet in their houses. Subsequently last year the entire village has been declared as “Open defecation free village”.

In addition to this KVK has educated the villages regarding recycling of organic waste by vermicomposting; safe use of pesticides, women have been educated on personal hygiene and child health.



Shramdaan by Scientists of KVK, Sundargarh-II for Preparation of Toilet