Dear Readers,

We are happy to roll out July 2019 Monthly E-News letter relating to Activities of “Centre for Sustainable Development-Goals”.

CSDG is established under the aegis of APHRD Institute, Bapatla with UNICEF support from January, 2018. The APHRDI associates itself with various Institutions and Organizations in furthering the development into sustainable development in fulfilling the Vision of the Nation in general and of State in particular.

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are envisioned on the success of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). This is to alleviate all forms of poverty by the year 2030. The goals are broad based, inter-dependent; inter-connecting and the success of one goal will involve tackling issues associated with another goal. The Centre has prioritized activities under Goals 6 (Water & sanitation), 11-Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), and 13-Climate Change Adaptation (CCA). It is our endeavour to share the activities of CSDG related through WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) and Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate Change Adaptation.

Director General, APHRDI-Bapatla (GoAP)

Regional training on WASH in Anganwadis on 4-5th July 2019 at TS IRD-Hyderabad by UNICEF & NIRD

National Bal Swachhta Mission campaign launched by Ministry of Women and Child Development on the 125th birth anniversary of first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru. It is a part of the nationwide sanitation initiative of ‘Swachh Bharat Mission’. The main motive of this mission is to ensure clean Anganwadis, Clean Surroundings like Playgrounds, Clean Self (Personal Hygiene/Child Health), Clean Food, Clean Drinking Water, and Clean Toilets. This scheme is intended to provide healthy and hygienic environment to school going children.

The Regional training on WASH in Anganwadis was organized by UNICEF, Hyderabad field Office on 4-5th July 2019 involving 40 representatives from 12 districts belonging to states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Telangana. The participants have been sensitized on existing programs and policies of WASH in Anganwadis by the experts from UNICEF India Country Office and UNICEF Hyderabad Field Office. Dr ISN Raju and Mr N Prabhu Deva attended the training from CSDG of APHRDI.

Participants are divided into 6 groups and have been asked to prepare indicators based on 6 key components including Clean Anganwadi, Clean Water, Clean Toilet, Clean food, Clean Self, Clean surroundings. Later indicators have been segregated into hardware (infrastructure) and software (capacity-building, behaviour-change communication and human resource) components. Further the indicators were classified into budgetary and non-budgetary components. The non-budgetary components are related to mostly software components. Finally the documents are mentioned for each indicator. The take away of training is the ability to do Action Plans.
Improved Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) facilities in schools are key components to achieve Global Development Indicators like Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4 i.e. “ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all” and compliment to the other indicators like goal 6 i.e. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation.

The primary objective of the Swachh Bharath Swachh Vidyalaya (SBSV) is to ensure that every school in the country must have a set of essential interventions that relate to both technical and human development aspects of a good Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Programme. They include sanitation, menstrual hygiene management, daily hand washing with soap before mid day meal, operational and maintenance (O & M), behavior change activities, enhanced capacities of children, teachers and other key stakeholders (Page No17 & 18, SBSV guidelines). The UNICEF project of 2019-2020 of CSDG includes advocacy of WASH in Schools in three priority districts viz., Visakhapatnam, Guntur and Kurnool districts.

A Consultation Workshop with Mandal Educational Officers (MEOs) of Kurnool district was held on 22nd May, 2019 as an advocacy on WASH in Schools in Kurnool district this being one of 3-priority districts of UNICEF in AP. As a follow up, the two day capacity building programme was held on 16th and 17th of July 2019 and 53-Head masters and school teachers have attended. The event was organized with support of Mrs. Tahera Sultana District Educational officer and Sri Vidyasagara Rao, Project officer –SSA. The objective of the programme is to disseminate Swachh Vidyalaya Purashkar guidelines and capacity building of Head masters and teachers on WASH in Schools on 6- elements of SBSV. The sessions have been taken Dr Abdul Khader (DCQC), Smt Lalitha kumari, Smt Rajakumari, Dr Kumadi and Dr ISNRaju. The take away of participants is their capacity building to implement WASH and preparation of an Action Plan. Project Coordinators of CSDG have organized the event.

The provision of adequate water, sanitation and hygiene is an essential part of providing basic health services in healthcare facilities. WASH in Health facilities aid in preventing the spread of infectious diseases as well as protects staff and patients. Hence there is need to improve WASH services in health care facilities. WASH is a key determinant of the health of mothers and children before, during and after birth.

The CSDG is advocating WASH in Health Centres in Kurnool District. This is follow up of Consultation meeting on WASH in Health Centres with Doctors of Kurnool district held on 30th May at Kurnool.

42 participants are Medical officers, Health Educators and staff nurse of GoAP in Kurnool district. Dr YV Narsimulu Principal, Regional Health and Family Welfare Training Centre (RH&FWTC) attended the programme. Dr Abdul Khader, District Coordinator –QC (DCQC) and Dr ISNRaju, Sr Project Manager-CSDG, Dr (Prof) Renuka, Dr R Hymavati and Dr Lavanya has taken sessions on WASH interventions in Health Care. Ms Jhansi, Ms. Sudha and Mr Prabhudeva, the Project Coordinators of CSDG have organized the two day training programme.

The focus of the training is to disseminate the guide lines on Kayakalpa Award for Health Centres instituted by Govt Of India to encourage and incentivize Public Health Facilities (PHFs) in the country. This to demonstrate proper cleanliness, hygiene and infection control practices. Also the staff advocated the importance of WASH to people coming to the Health Centres. Counseling on Hand wash with Soap and Menstrual Hygiene Management have also been taken up.
Regional Training on WASH in Anganwadis in TSIRD – Hyderabad by UNICEF and NIRD

Two Day Capacity Building Programme on WASH in Schools – Kurnool

Two day Capacity Training Programme on WASH in Health Centres - Kurnool
**WASH training events organized in June 2019**

Two day training on WASH in Anganwadi of Guntur District was held during 17-18th June at APHRDI, Bapatla for capacity building of Anganwadi supervisors, and staff of Guntur District. 77- Anganwadi supervisors and staff from 23- ICDS projects of 57- Mandals have attended the training. Sri T Prabahakara Rao, ENC(retd), Mrs T Madhuri, MPDO, Ms G Padma, Consultant, MA&UD, Dr ISNRaju, Sr Project Manager of APHRDI have taken training sessions related to WASH in Anganwadis. The Training programme enabled the Anganwadi Supervisors and staff to prepare the WASH Action Plans of respective Anganwadis and implement to enhance WASH facilities.

**Two day Training Programme on WASH in Schools in Guntur and Visakhapatnam Districts:**

The activities of CSDG project for 2019-2020 with support of UNICEF include capacity building of Head Masters and School teachers for implementation of WASH in Schools in three UNICEF prioritized districts- Visakhapatnam, Guntur and Kurnool. Accordingly the two day capacity building trainings have been organized on 24-25th July 2019 at APHRDI, Bapatla for Guntur District. 80- Head Masters and School teachers have attended the training. Mrs. Aruna , CMO-SSA, Mrs Geetha, Equity Consultant-SSA, Sri Srinivasa Rao- SVP Awardee, Sri Surya Prakash of Padala trust and Dr ISNRaju of APHRDI have taken training sessions on WASH in Schools and Menstrual hygiene Management (MHM).

Two day training on WASH in Schools has been organized during 27-28th July 2019 at APHRDI-Regional training Centre, Visakhapatnam and 58-MEOs, Head Masters and School teachers have attended the training. Dr Manikanta, UNICEF Consultant on WASH in Institutions, Mrs Radhika ,Master Trainer and School Teacher, Sri Rambabu, Project Officer ,Swachh Manyam of ITDA, Sri Surya Prakash of Padala trust and Dr ISNRaju of APHRDI have taken sessions on WASH in Schools and MHM.

The take away of the two day Capacity Building programme of WASH in Schools is to enable the Head masters and School Teachers for preparation and implementation of Action Plans on WASH in Schools. Also the participants were taught on software application to upload the WASH in School activities for Swachh Vidyalya Puraskar.

**Upcoming Events of CSDG –WASH during August 2019:**

The APHRDI and UNICEF, HFO programmed to organize Regional Training on WASH WASH in Health Centres on 30-31st August 2019 in our APHRDI Bapatla. 40-Delegates from three states of Telangana, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh from 8- districts are participating in the Regional Training. The take away of the training programme is to Prepare State level Action plans of WASH in Health Centres and that of District level Action Plans.