



Swachhotsav-Swachhata Hi Seva (17th September -2nd October 2025)

Activities and Events held at IIT Mandi

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Sl. No.	Name of Activity/Event	Date of Activity/Event
1.	Taking of <i>Swachhata</i> Pledge at the classrooms and offices by Faculty, Staff and Students	19-09-2025
2.	Campus Cleanup Drives (South Campus and North Campus)	27-09-2025 (9:00 am- 1:00 pm)
3.	Clean mess and canteen competitions	17-30 Sept 2025
4.	Painting Competition at Mindtree -IIT Mandi campus school	27-09-2025
5.	Slogan Writing Competitions by Cultural Society, Students Gymkhana, IIT Mandi	27-09-2025
6.	An Informative session on hygiene and cleaning habits by the Medical Unit for the cleaning staff	26-09-2025
7.	Various competitions for Kamand Sr. Sec. School children	24-09-2025
8.	Award Ceremony	01-09-2025

Swachhata Pledge: On the first day of Swachhotsav campaign, IIT Mandi organized Swachhata pledge taking events. To make this event meaningful and to ensure full participation, a communication was sent to the IIT Mandi community. All the faculty were encouraged to take pledge in their classrooms. Faculty were requested to take pledge with their presented students

before the commencement of the class. Also, students in hostels were encouraged to be gathered at a single place to take Swachhata pledge to spread awareness to keep their rooms and hostel premises neat and clean. Staff who were presented in their offices also took the Swachhata pledge to keep their surroundings clean and clutter free.

Some pics of pledge taking activity



Various Competitions at GSSS Kamand: IIT Mandi organized three competitions among the school students of the Govt. Sen. Sec. School, Kamand. The topic of the competitions were Swachh Bharat under the campaign of Swachhotsav-Swachhata Hi Seva-2025 campaign. It was a fun-filled activity not only for the participating students but for the entire community of the school including teachers. More than 55 students participated and students enjoyed by putting their imagination on the canvas. The aim of the competitions was to brought out the best in the children, and it was heartening to see them participate in such events that promote the Swachhata awareness among new generation.

School students from 8th to 12th grade were free to participate in any of three competitions which were Slogan Writing, Poster Making and Essay Writing competitions. All students showed their creativity and imagination through the poster making and slogan writing competitions. Also, students have creatively suggested unique ways of cleanliness by writing their thoughts through writing Essays in Essay writing competiton.

Some of the pics of Competitions at GSSS Kamand



Cleanliness Drive: As per the directives of the Government of India, IIT Mandi organized a Cleanliness Drive under the campaign “Swachhata Hi Seva.” The campaign aims to raise awareness among the younger generation about environmental pollution and to foster a habit of Cleanliness. The Cleanliness drive was held in both campus of IIT Mandi. Since the institute is divided into two separate campuses i.e. North and South Campus. It was decided to organize the campaign at both campuses separately and simultaneously. All the volunteers picked the garbage from the in and around the campuses and collected in trash bags. Finally, both the groups were able to make the both campuses garbage free.

For the participants, specifically for new joiners, it was an eye opener event in which they learn to keep their surroundings and the campus free from garbage. Also, they were made aware of the sanctity of the campus environment and its beauty. At the end, refreshments were distributed among all the participants.

All Pics are available here:

(South Campus)

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1CBhQDkp8VTcs9cP6d9NaWOPou4qb7nDC?usp=drive_link

North campus:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1fTH1evKJ6vDCSUKSSAE66Pwyjtz9WD6v?usp=drive_link

Social media page of IIT Mandi:

<https://www.facebook.com/IITMandi2009/posts/1203930655094565?rdid=fjI0QT6UwDrV92NU#>

https://x.com/iit_mandi/status/1972645681623187823

Some glimpses of the Cleanliness Drive



Poster Making Competition: The Artgeeks Club of Cultural Society under Students Gymkhana unit of IIT Mandi took initiative by organizing a Poster Making Competition as open challenge among all students. All the participants were to design and create poster focusing on the Swachhata Hi Seva-2024 campaign. The creativity and creativity of participants put the smiles on the faces of judges. The initiative was very much appreciated among the IIT Mandi students' community.

Some glimpses of the Poster Making competition



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Clean Mess and Canteen competitions: IIT Mandi has total 12 mess in South and North campus. Besides Mess, more than 12 canteens are also functional in both the campuses. To sensitize the mess vendors and their workers about the cleanliness and its importance in life, a competition was held among all mess and canteens in different categories. From 17th Sept to 2nd Oct. 2025. All the vendors were required to keep their premises neat and clean during the period. The Hygiene and Sanitation Committee (HSC) of the institute did surprise visits on different dates randomly. The committee found all establishments very neat and clean. On the basis of the recommendations given by the committee one mess and one canteen in each campus were declared the winners.

Poster Making Competition at Mindtree School: As per the suggested lists of activities, a Poster making competition was held at the IIT Mandi campus school Mindtree on the topic of Swachh Bharat. The competition was participated by more than 30 students from 5th to 8th grade. In the competition students showed their creativity and artistic skills. 3 top entries declared first, second and third positions. All the winners were awarded with different prizes.

Some glimpses of the Poster Making competition at the school



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Social media page of IIT Mandi:

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https://www.instagram.com/p/DPNvIipEafz/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=MzRlODBiNWFiZA%3D%3D

Nominations for felicitation of housekeeping staff: It was a sudden and surprise competition for the housekeeping staff of the institute. The working and performance of the housekeeping staff were observed during the campaign period. To motivate and encourage for other staff it was decided to felicitate one male and one female staff from each of the campus separately. Hence, 2 males and 2 females staff members were selected as best housekeeping staff and were awarded.

Donation of Housekeeping Materials: In fulfilling its social responsibility, the NSS Unit of IIT Mandi donated different cleaning materials to the Govt. Sen. Sec. School, Kamand. The materials including mops, dustbins, dustpans and various types of consumables were purchased and sent to the school. The Principal of the school thanked the Nodal Officer and Program Advisor of NSS, IIT Mandi for their support to the school.

Some glimpses



Safai Mitra Suraksha Shivir: To raise awareness towards Hygiene and cleanliness among housekeeping staff The Medical Unit, IIT Mandi held an awareness session. The session was attended by majority of the cleaning and housekeeping staff of the institute.

Some glimpses of the session





Award Ceremony: On 1st October 2025, an award distribution function was organized at the institute. All the faculty students and staff were invited to witness for the felicitation of the awardee of different competitions. More than 30 students and teachers from the Govt. Sen. School, Kamand were also among attendees. The function started with a small introduction by the Nodal Officer Dr. Harshad Kulkarni. In his address he summarized the activities held during the last 20 days. His speech was followed by the award ceremony. Dr. Tushar Jain, Dean Students was the chief guest of the ceremony who honoured the winners with the certificates and gifts. The address by Dean students was followed by the award ceremony. Finally, the gathering was thanked by Dr. Kulkarni for making the event enjoyable with their presence. The ceremony was ended with a small tea party. IIT Mandi happily bid adieu to the teachers and students of the school.

Some glimpses of the Award Ceremony



