

Parliamentary Affairs Ministry Observes Swachhata Pakhwada

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The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs observed Swachhata Pakhwada from 16th to 30th April, 2025, as part of the Government of India's flagship Swachh Bharat Mission, aimed at realizing Mahatma Gandhi's dream of a clean and hygienic India. The "Swachhata Pakhwada" is a concept inspired by the Prime Minister's vision. The Pakhwada was organized in accordance with the Calendar of Swachhata Pakhwada 2025 issued by the Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India.

The observance commenced on 16th April 2025 with the administration of the Swachhata Pledge by Shri Umang Narula, Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, to all officers and other staff of the Ministry.



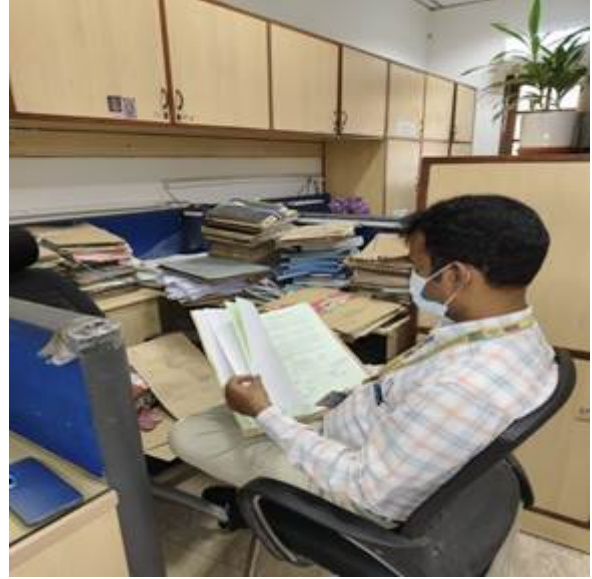
[Shri Umang Narula, Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs administering 'Swachhata Pledge' to officers/officials of the Ministry]

Throughout the fortnight, various activities were carried out to promote cleanliness and sustainability within the Ministry premises, including:

- Intensive cleanliness drives in office spaces,
- Reviewing, recording, and weeding out of old physical files,
- Identification of old and obsolete items for auction,
- Cleaning of electrical switchboards, fans, and air conditioners,
- Whitewashing and maintenance of office rooms.
- Placing indoor plants to promote a green and clean office environment.



[Cleanliness Drive]



[Reviewing of files]



[cleaning of electrical fan/switch board]



[whitewashing]



[Placing of green plants]



[Collection of old and obsolete electronic items for disposal]

On 29th April, 2025, Secretary, MoPA, along with senior officers, conducted a cleanliness inspection of office premises. Following the assessment, three sections were ranked first, second, and third based on their Swachhata standards.



[Secretary, MoPA inspecting Cleanliness in Sections]

The Swachhata Pakhwada culminated in a Prize Distribution Ceremony where Shri Umang Narula, Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, recognized the top three Sections for their outstanding commitment to cleanliness.



[Secretary, MoPA chairing closing ceremony of pakhwada]



[Shri Umang Narula, Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs giving swachhata prizes to officers/officials of winning Sections]

The Secretary, MoPA, appreciated the enthusiastic participation of the Ministry's employees, stressing that Swachhata should be a year-round personal and professional responsibility. The Secretary also emphasized the importance of digital cleanliness, including removing unwanted data to improve computer efficiency and longevity, alongside strong cybersecurity practices. The Ministry reaffirms its commitment to the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and will continue promoting cleanliness and sustainability.

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