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## Subject: Report of Day-14 (29.12.2024) on celebration"*Swachhta Pakhwada*" by ICAR-IIWM, Bhubaneswar -reg

In order to give a boost to the 'Green Drive' through '*Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam*', and '*Meri LiFE*' (Lifestyle For Environment) initiatives by the central government, 300 grafted mango saplings of four varieties (*Amrapalli, Bombay Green, Arunika, & Kesar*) were distributed to over fifty scheduled caste families to grow at their backyards as well as to grow in a community land in the SCSP-adopted *Garedipanchana* village of Balipatna block in Khordha district on 29<sup>th</sup> December, 2024. The participating scientist and staff also sensitized them about the positive environmental impact of tree plantation on maintaining atmospheric quality, besides several other benefits on soil health, reducing soil erosion, minimizing climate change impact, improving family nutrition and sustaining one's livelihood etc. At the beginning, the participants were briefed about the objectives of *Swachh Bharat Abhiyan*, administered the *swachhata* pledge and they too joined in the *Swachhta* 'Signature Campaign'. In another activity in the Farmer FIRST Project adopted *Haridamada* village in Bhubaneswar block of Khordha district, over fifty women participants joined actively in a *shramdaan* activity to clean Lord Shiv Ji's temple premises in the village. Some of the action and activity photographs of Day-14 are presented below.





Cleaning activity inside the temple premises at *Haridamada* village



Group photo after the cleaning activity inside the temple premises at *Haridamada*