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INTRODUCTION

On 23rd March 2023, a field trip was organized on Environment Studies for B.A and B.COM 6th semester students of Kohima College Kohima. It was a project, where students were divided into different groups and each groups was allowed to choose different topics to work on. So our group decided to choose over the topic on “waste management”.

Our group consist of 11 students where we were to work and research on “waste management” of Khonoma Village. Khonoma is a very renowned Village under Kohima District, Nagaland. It is also known as the first green Village in India. It is a Village with great biodiversity.

The waste management in khonoma were maintained properly by the Khonoma students union(KSU). The KSU took responsible in taking care of cleanliness and solid waste management. They maintained it by placing a trash a trash bin at every corner. Waste management is one of the greatest challenge in today's world. The KSU takes great initiative in making their village a more sustainable village.

Khonoma village is not only popularly known as Green village but also they were practicing and maintaining on waste management and KSU were taking a good initiative on this which was also followed by the citizen itself.

“BACKGROUND HISTORY”

Background history of Khonoma village waste management system. After interviewing with some KSU executive and some villagers of khonoma village, it has come to our knowledge that the people of Khonoma village has been practicing the system of waste management from the past Two decades. According to the source and informants, this system has started in the year 1990 and until today it is still pragmatic.



“A community effort to keep khonoma clean”

Students union of Khonoma takes care of the cleanliness and solid waste management. At every junction of the village garbage bin has been placed and maintained by the student union. The Village Council has made it mandatory for every household to have dustbins. Once in a month, sanitation drive is carried out. Open Defecation has been stopped. School children are trained to keep their village and houses clean. Under ‘Swachh Bharat’ Scheme toilets has been constructed and school children are trained to keep their village and houses clean. The Indian Army has helped construct community assets from public toilets to irrigation facilities. Now, waste generated in the village is being segregated and disposed by incineration. Community water tank has been constructed at different location for the proper supply of water to every respective houses. They also practice the Rain water harvesting system, re-use of water and underground water recharge through pond and well. The Naga families practice to cook food in the center of house so that the fumes and smokes kill the insects and the wooden structure could remain intact for years.



Although the village is very small but the proper signage's has been used for one way traffic, bus stands etc. Fresh air, good food, simple life style and sports are the key, which makes the Khonoma people healthy. Primary Health Centre facility is available in the village. Sports and cultural activity spaces has been built at many places in the village. Since 1994, Centre for Environment Education (CEE) has played an important role to make the Khonoma a First Green Village of India.



In Asia's first green village – Khonoma, tidying up is something that everybody take seriously. Every citizen of the village has naturally cultivated the sense of cleanliness even as they themselves play proactive role in keeping their village clean. On a Saturday morning, over 200 school children would gather at 5:30 am, ready to carry out the task of emptying about 180 innovation dustbin place all along the path in the village and spread across 15 colonies. There is hardly any litter to be picked as cleanliness is just ingrained in every villagers. This is an activity that takes place twice a month and conducted by the Khonoma Students Union ever since the village was declared as “green village” on October 25, Seyiesehuo Meru, a class 6 students of Christian Welfare School, Khonoma say he looks forward to these two Saturday in a month where students from 6 different schools including 3 high school and 3 primary school gather to work together. The young boy, like most children of his age wakes up at 5: am and is all set to empty the dustbin by 5:30. When asked if they are happy to be part of the cleanliness initiative, 5 young boy studying in class 5 echoed similar sentiments and said they have never missed it except on one or two occasions. The social work goes on for an hour after which the students go back to doing their daily tasks. Menovihko Viyie , president of Khonoma Student Union enlightens

that the organisation collaborate with the school in the village while stating that it is a joint community effort that keep the village clean. “The parents of the student know that their children are part of this initiative on cleanliness which is why they also don’t litter”, he expresses.



Neikedolie Hiekha , a environment enthusiasts observes that the implementation of the cleanliness initiative in the village has been very successful and has been improving over the years. Impressing upon that every student make conscious efforts to keep village clean, he state that their mindset on this initiative is very positive and encouraging. However he is also concerned about waste management while expressing the need for a segregation centre in the village. This would help us reuse and recycle and would complete the meaning of Khonoma green village, he puts across while pointing out that been declared “green village” is not about painting the roofs green. The little pathway in the centuries old village are also adorned with flowers pots which are contributed made by different individuals.

CONCLUSION

The behaviour of generating garbage is too dangerous not only for today's generation, but also for future generations. It is clear that proper waste management practices in khonoma village have significant impact on the natural environment and sustainable development. The authorities should provide for the introduction of complimentary programs for further advanced waste management equipment.

The organizations that are working for the waste management in this village have created numerous methods that deal in waste management.



Reference

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(confidential about their identity)

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