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# Majhi City Taka-Tak Campaign

Aurangabad Municipal Corporation, under the leadership of Mr. Sunil Kendrekar has launched Majhi City Taka Tak campaign on the 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2016. 12 wards in 6 zones have been selected for this campaign. CRT^ has designed and conducted a comprehensive capacity building program on Solid Waste Management (SWM) for the Sanitation Department of Aurangabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) which included 14 Sanitation Inspectors, 100 Jawans and 300 Staff members. Along with this orientation and planning sessions have also been conducted with the ward officers and sanitation inspectors to make the 12 wards waste free. Team CRT has also conducted awareness programs for the residents, informing them about the new system and segregation process. AMC is going to start door-to-door collection of segregated wet, dry and biomedical waste. The wet waste will be composted at decentralised locations and dry waste will be recycled. The bio medical waste will be treated separately. This aims to eliminate the landfills at Naregaon. AMC has also banned the use of plastic bags under 50 microns and started a cloth bag campaign where bags made of recycled cloth are being encouraged.



# State Police Reserve Force

In December 2015, under the leadership of Mr. Tamboli, the State Reserve Police Force (SRPF), of Aurangabad took the bold decision of becoming a zero-waste campus. The week started with an orientation meeting with all the residents of the campus. The primary aim was to inform residents about segregated storage of waste at home. After a week long training period, Mr. Tamboli has now made source segregation in this format a rule on campus. Small modifications like adding bins and gunny bags to the collection vehicle, were required to ensure segregated collection from the 303 households.

- 1.5 tonnes of organic waste and 178 kgs of recyclable waste and 6 kgs of biomedical waste were collected in a week
- Stacks and Pits are being used to compost all the organic material generated on campus.
- All recyclable waste is being stored at one location. Once the quantities make transportation viable, these materials will be transported to a recycler in Aurangabad city.
- Bio medical waste is being stored and will be sent to a nearby hospital for appropriate treatment.



SWM awareness presentation

Door-to-door awareness by Team CRT



Stack composting at site

## Zero Waste Hero: Mr. Trishul Kulkarni

Mr. Trishul Kulkarni- Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Marathwada Institute of Technology by profession and Founder of Let's Compost by Passion. Mr. Kulkarni moved to Satara Parisar of Aurangabad city a few years back and was deeply disturbed by the waste situation in the area. Unlike others in the vicinity, he was hesitant to dump garbage in the street. Hence, he decided to install a terracotta composter ("*khamba*") in his house. Soon he started getting requests to install *khambas* from other residents in Aurangabad. This gave birth to his venture 'Let's Compost' and he started manufacturing and installing *khambas*. As he began, he received around 50 orders.

Mr. Kulkarni has also been a participant of Nirman camp, under the leadership of Dr. Abhay Bang, where he decided to do something for the environment and society.

A few months back he became a part of the Team CRT^ and since then has been actively involved in solving the city's waste problems. He has been a part of various CRT projects and has conducted several awareness programs for the residents.





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