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A STUDY OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AND NEED OF RE-FRAMING THE CURRICULUM OF EDUCATION: AN OVERVIEW OF MUZAFFARNAGAR CITY (UP)

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ABSTRACT

The spread of hazardous, non-biodegradable solid waste is one of the most unhealthy, uncontrolled, and anti-nature activities of human, which is now appearing as plethora of problems. Under the second phase of 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' NITI Aayog has initiated a scheme of 'Cleaning up Our Cities' in the year 2019, with proper monitoring and ranking of areas for improving sanitation, cleanliness and hygiene all over the country. This paper is an attempt to survey the actual scenario of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan phase 2 in city Muzaffarnagar along with the study of need of major changes to re-frame our curriculum as according to the needs of the hour. The proposed study is an analytical survey research based on primary as well as secondary data. To fulfil its objectives the researcher has developed a questionnaire on topic "Clean India Mission: An Overview in Muzaffarnagar City." to collect the primary data and analysed New National Education Policy 2020 as secondary data of this study. A sample of hundred residents covering various areas of Muzaffarnagar city was selected by random sampling technique. The study concludes that the general awareness regarding solid waste management in the city is not highly satisfactory, showing the lethargies of both local municipal board as well as public, towards the problem How a city with an average of 65 % aware people can achieve the target on clean India mission with in time. The study suggests that local bodies should initiate some awareness campaign in collaboration with schools to increase general awareness among masses and there is an urgent need of re-framing of curriculum in new national education policy to make these habits by default.

KEYWORDS: Solid Waste Management (SWM), Clean India Mission, New National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020), Curriculum, Awareness, SWM Rules 2016.

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