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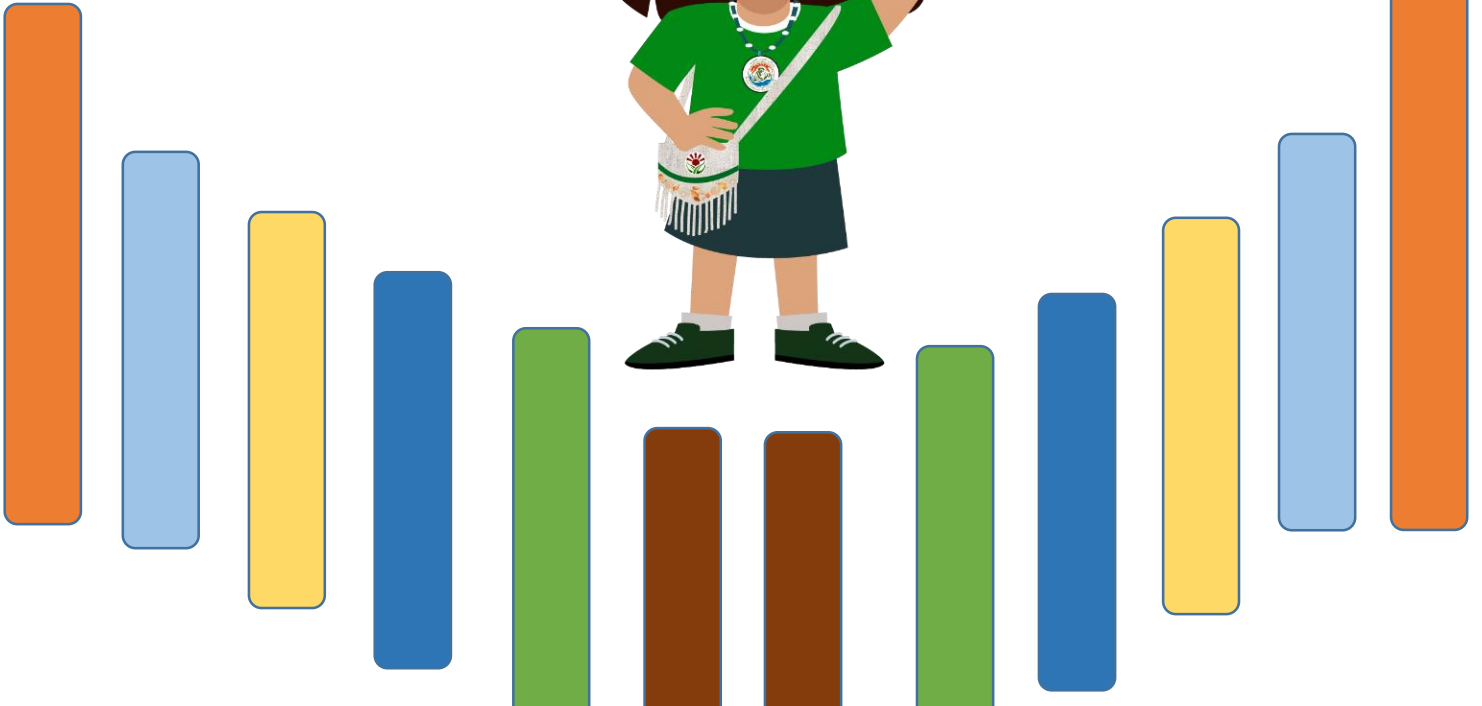
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## Report on National Pollution Prevention day

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EIACP, Gandhinagar

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## Report on the Observance of National Pollution Control Day

Date: 2nd December

Title: Awareness meeting on “National Pollution Control Day”

Date: 2-12-2024

Venue: Gujarat Cleaner Production Centre (GCPC)

Participants: 10

On 2nd December, Gujarat Cleaner Production Centre (GCPC) observed **National Pollution Control Day**, commemorating the tragic industrial disaster that occurred in Bhopal on this day in 1984. The day serves as a reminder of the devastating consequences of industrial negligence and the importance of stringent pollution control measures.

National Pollution Control Day is observed annually on **2nd December** to commemorate the lives lost in the tragic **Bhopal Gas Tragedy** of 1984, one of the world's worst industrial disasters. This day serves as a solemn reminder of the catastrophic consequences of environmental negligence and industrial mishaps. It is dedicated to raising awareness about pollution control, promoting sustainable industrial practices, and reinforcing the need for strict adherence to environmental regulations.

The observance emphasizes the importance of addressing various forms of pollution—air, water, soil, and noise—that significantly impact public health and the ecosystem. It also highlights the role of industries, governments, and individuals in mitigating pollution through cleaner production technologies, resource efficiency, and proactive environmental management. National Pollution Control Day stands as a call to action for creating a safer, healthier, and more sustainable future.

The session was led by **Dr. Bharat Jain**, Coordinator of EIACP (PC-RP) & Member Secretary of GCPC given detailed account of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy. He elaborated on the sequence of events, the toxic gas release, and its catastrophic impact on human lives and the environment. Dr. Jain emphasized the lessons learned from the disaster and highlighted the need for proactive measures to ensure such incidents are never repeated.

**Dr. Bharat Jain**, further conducted an insightful session highlighting the timeline of the disaster, which involved the leakage of methyl isocyanate gas from a pesticide plant in Bhopal. He detailed the far-reaching consequences, including immediate fatalities, long-term health issues among survivors, and severe ecological degradation. Through this discussion, Dr. Jain urged the team to adopt

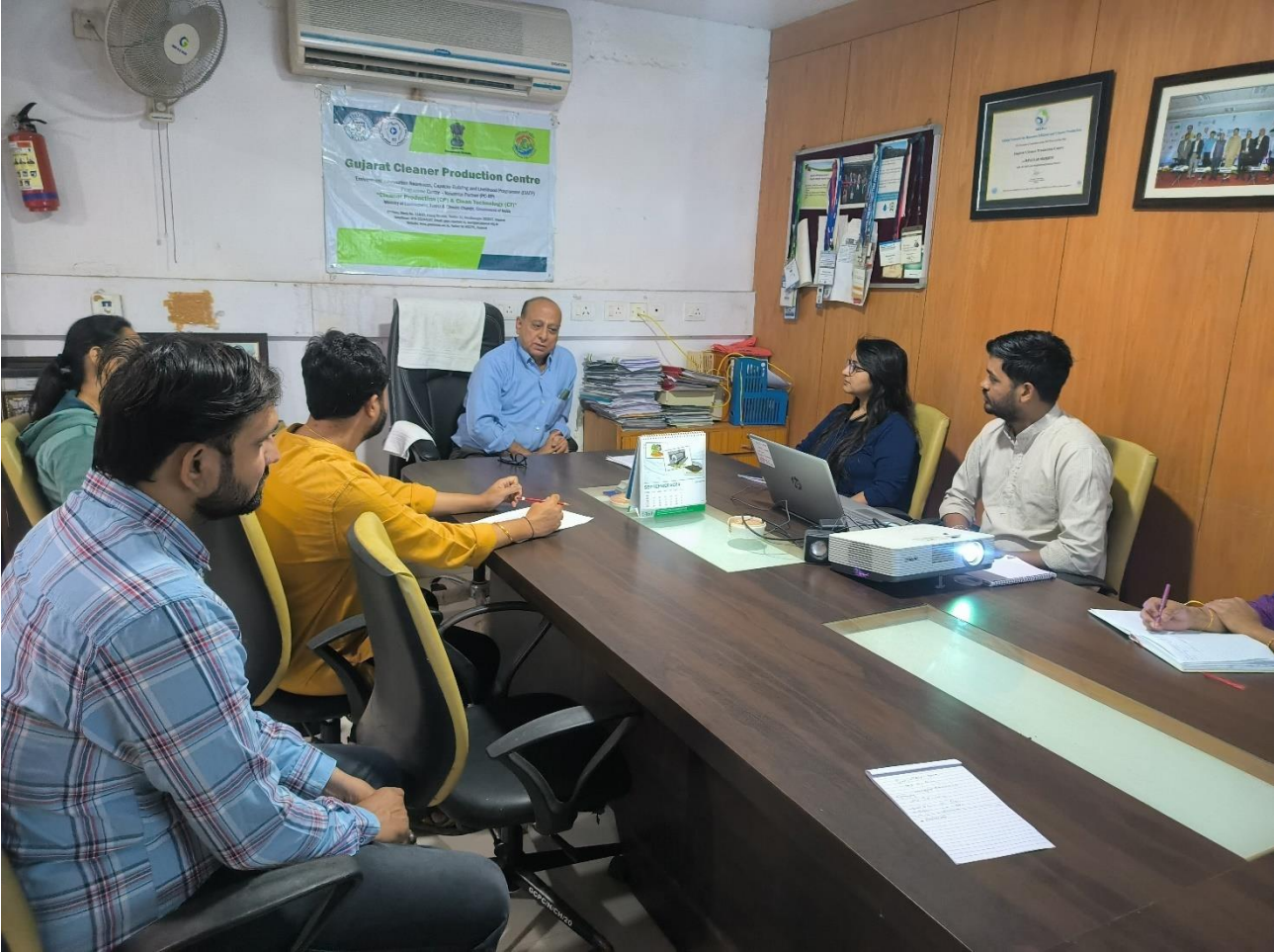
a preventive approach toward environmental hazards and to prioritize safety in all industrial activities.

To deepen understanding, a documentary (YT- DW Documentary) on the Bhopal Gas Tragedy was screened for the team. The documentary shed light on the scale of the disaster, including the immediate loss of lives, long-term health effects on survivors, and irreversible environmental damage. It also underscored the importance of adopting cleaner production techniques and strict compliance with environmental safety regulations.

The observance concluded with a reflection on the role of organizations like GCPC in fostering sustainable industrial practices and promoting awareness about pollution prevention. The session left a lasting impression on the team, reinforcing the commitment to safeguarding the environment and public health through cleaner and safer industrial processes.

As part of the observance of National Pollution Control Day, Gujarat Cleaner Production Centre (GCPC) enhanced its outreach efforts by uploading **three educational posters**, a **comprehensive PowerPoint presentation**, and a **documentary video** sourced from DW Documentary on YouTube. The documentary provided an in-depth exploration of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy, shedding light on its causes, the devastating aftermath, and the critical lessons it offers for industrial safety and environmental protection. These resources were shared to raise awareness among a broader audience, emphasizing the importance of pollution control and proactive measures in preventing similar disasters in the future.

Photos of The Event





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