

Inter-School Drawing Competition on "World Toilet Day"

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An Inter-School Drawing Competition was organized in Janvikas on "World Toilet Day" on 19th November 2016. 200 children from more than 50 schools participated in the competition.

World Toilet Day (WTD) is a campaign to motivate and mobilize millions around the world on issues of sanitation. In 2013, the United Nations (UN) passed a resolution recognizing WTD as an official UN international day (UN Resolution A/67/L.75). It was estimated in 2015 that 2.4 billion (about 1 out of 3 people) lack access to improved sanitation facilities, and just under 1 billion continue to defecate openly. Sanitation is a human right, just like the human right to water. Lack of access to sanitation, impacts on health, dignity, and safety. The spread of many diseases (e.g. soil-transmitted helminthiasis, diarrhea, schistosomiasis) and chronic malnutrition in children is directly related to exposure to human feces.

Children beautifully depicted through drawing and painting their dream of creating an "Open Defecation Free Indore City". The winners were awarded with certificates and mementos. Certificate of participation was given to all children participated in the competition.

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