

ACTIVITY GUIDE

2026 | THE ALMANAC





Why this Almanac

This is a manual for guidance, reflection and learning!

“In a world consumed by the relentless pursuit of economic growth and productivity, we have lost sight of what truly matters – our core values, our wellbeing, and our care for future generations”

The Sulabh Sanitation Club living laboratory is a pioneering 18-year urban innovation initiative started in India. The club seeks to improve the wellbeing of young people by creating a space for collective reflection and connection in the field of WASH. It aims to cultivate a novel approach to innovation, by fostering change based on trust and care.

The almanac offers the students of Sikkim insights into the living laboratory’s proposed activities for AAGAZ 3.0 for the year 2026–27 in the schools of Sikkim. It serves as a guiding companion– inviting students, teachers, public sector leaders, activists, artists, entrepreneurs, educators, philanthropists, and others – to reflect on the past while imagining and co-creating the future trajectory of our state of Sikkim, where power is shared.

Additionally, this almanac aims to share valuable knowledge with other youth and student leaders in the Swachh Bharat initiative, and urban innovators around the country, highlighting how prioritizing youth wellbeing can serve as the cornerstone of 21st-century urban development.



Today, the students of Sikkim stand at a moment where their ideas, actions, and passion can help shape a healthier, more responsible, and more humane future. It is in this spirit that Project Aagaz 3.0, a joint venture between **Alkem Foundation** and **Sulabh Sanitation Club**, calls upon you to step forward and be part of a movement that truly matters. We are building a movement of difference-makers—young people who know that, together, we can do just about anything. It is not too late. If you are reading this, you are already making a difference. And when you share this message with someone else, you amplify your impact, and ours. In a competitive world,

being part of something meaningful like Aagaz 3.0 shows that you are not just qualified, but committed.

This Almanac will enlighten you about what the clubs offer as activities and how these experiences may shape your future. Beyond social service, these engagements build leadership, teamwork, communication, and problem-solving skills—qualities that strengthen not just your character but also your career prospects. If you want to do even more, The Sulabh Sanitation Club needs you. We need your perspective. We need your passion. We need your energy. Your voice matters because you see the world differently. You understand your communities, your schools, your towns, and your challenges better than anyone else. When students lead, solutions become grounded, practical, and powerful. This is our moment—let’s turn ideas into impact.

“You bring the spark—we’ll build the fire.”

Cheers!

Team Sanitation Club



GENERAL GUIDELINES

Timely Implementation

- All activities must be conducted strictly within the scheduled dates mentioned in the annual activity calendar/almanac.
- Delays should be avoided. Any unavoidable changes must be informed to us officially well in advance.

Adherence to Almanac

- Activities must strictly follow the themes and guidelines mentioned in this official almanac.
- Schools should not deviate from the prescribed theme, objectives, or format of the activity.

Documentation & Uploading

- Clear photographs and short videos must be uploaded on the official website WASHAPP using the **User ID and Password**.
- Ensure proper captions and school details are mentioned while uploading.
- If the school faces internet connectivity problems, the documentation (photos/videos) may be shared via:
 - Official Email (sulabhsanitationclub@gmail.com)
 - WhatsApp (9911104405)
- Ensure clear visuals and proper audio (where applicable).
- The Sanitation Club banner must be visible in major activities.
- The Sanitation Club In-charge Teacher and Student Leaders shall ensure smooth execution and timely reporting of all activities.

These instructions must be followed carefully to maintain uniformity, transparency, and effective documentation of all School Sanitation Club initiatives.



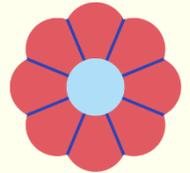
MARCH



ACTIVITY: WORLD WATER DAY CELEBRATIONS (22nd March)

Theme: "Water and Gender"

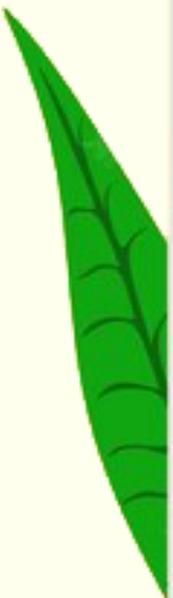
Slogan "Where water flows, equality grows"



In observance of **World Water Day**, the School Sanitation Club will organize meaningful and action-oriented activities throughout March, with a special programme on **22nd March**. The 2026 campaign—often promoted with the slogan "**Where Water Flows, Equality Grows**"—centres on how **access to water and sanitation affects women and girls disproportionately**, and why **gender-responsive water solutions** are essential for equitable development.

Students take a **water & equality pledge** and encourage their families to follow water-saving habits. It is important that the school involves local **women leaders** and **panchayat members** to talk about community water systems

- A **large collaborative wall painting** showing how water impacts daily life, especially for girls and women in homes and communities
- Students **carry placards about clean water** and gender equality along local roads or village paths.
- Create a "**Poem Wall**" or perform at the assembly
- **Projects** on low-cost water filters, rainwater harvesting models, or water saving innovations
- A **group dance** /flash mob themed on "**Water for All**" or "**Equal Access, Equal Opportunity**"
- **Plant local species** near water bodies to protect watershed areas



- **Please involve SMC members** or Panchayat representatives and ensure maximum student participation.
- Capture clear high-resolution photographs and short videos of the events.
- Ensure the **Sanitation Club banner** is clearly visible.
- Submit all pictures and videos by **23rd March 2026** for documentation and reporting.





APRIL



ACTIVITY: TOILET CLEANING & WASHROOM CLEANLINESS CAMPAIGN

Theme: My Toilet, My Responsibility

Clean school toilets are essential for students' health, dignity, and regular attendance. This activity builds awareness about hygiene, proper toilet use, and shared responsibility. It helps students develop respect for common spaces and understand that cleanliness is everyone's duty.

A clean washroom means a healthier, happier school.

During the month of **April**, schools shall organize a **Toilet Cleaning & Washroom Cleanliness Campaign** to promote hygiene awareness and responsible behavior among students.

Suggested Activities

Students from **Classes VII and above** may participate in supervised cleanliness activities on a rotational basis. Activities should be guided by teachers and carried out safely. Students can conduct a mini survey on washroom usage, identifying the problems (water leakage, broken taps, soap availability) and suggest low-cost solutions.

Have a Pledge & Wall of Commitment in the school. Create a large chart titled:

"I Promise to Keep My School Clean". The students sign with thumb impressions or colored handprints.

Mandatory School Toilet Cleanliness Drive - Classes VII and above take weekly responsibility (with supervision). Students create a **"Washroom Monitoring Chart"** and display before/after improvement checklist. Schools should also organize activities like: Removal of dry leaves and weeds from the school compound, Identification and safe disposal of broken furniture or



unusable equipment, review and sorting of old records/files as per school procedure, Cleanliness of drinking water areas and handwashing stations.

Infrastructure Audit Activity; Students may conduct a simple survey to identify:

Leaking taps or pipelines, Damaged toilet pans, doors, or locks, Non-functional flush systems, broken electrical switches or lights in washrooms, Lack of soap or water availability. The findings should be compiled and submitted to the principal, with a copy shared via email to: sulabhsanitationclub@gmail.com or Whatsapp us @9911104405

Conduct Awareness Sessions: Sanitation Club teachers may conduct special sessions for other students on: Why toilets must be kept clean, Importance of handwashing with soap and why we should respect school safai workers and realize their contribution.

Timeline & Submission

- The activity must be completed by **20th April**.
- Clear photographs documenting student participation must be shared in WASHAPP by **22nd April**. If there is network problem, then it should be sent to our WhatsApp@9911104405 or to our email sulabhsanitationclub@gmail.com
- Ensure high resolution images and videos that reflect active involvement and supervised participation.



MAY



ACTIVITY: MENSTRUAL HYGIENE DAY – 28th MAY

On **28th May**, schools across the world observe **Menstrual Hygiene Day**, a global movement dedicated to breaking taboos surrounding menstruation and ensuring that every girl has access to safe, dignified, and informed menstrual hygiene management.

This day should be celebrated in a **grand and impactful manner**, transforming the school into a vibrant space of awareness, confidence, and empowerment. The celebration must be interactive, educational, and engaging, ensuring that students participate enthusiastically and openly.

Make It a Celebration of Confidence

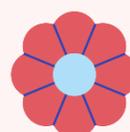
- Decorate the venue with informative charts and positive messages.
- Encourage boys' participation in awareness sessions to promote inclusivity and sensitivity.
- Recognize active student volunteers or peer educators.

The celebration should not just be an event – it should be a **movement within the school**, empowering young minds, fostering dignity, and ensuring that menstruation is discussed openly and respectfully.



Suggested Activities

1. Menstrual Hygiene Pledge Ceremony (Mass Pledge of 200 students) with awareness Rally and Poster Display within school premises or auditorium. It would be great if Mother–Daughter Interactive Session (if feasible) is conducted the same day

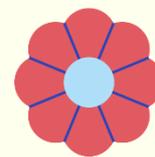


2. Peer Educator Talks by trained Sanitation Club members and demonstration session on correct usage and disposal methods of sanitary napkins.
3. Survey on Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) among students of other schools in the vicinity or selected communities of the area.
4. Session with a Health Professional / ASHA Worker / Nurse on issues related to menstrual hygiene.

All submissions must be original and self-created.

- Activities must be completed by **28th May**.
- Action videos and high-resolution images must be shared by **3:00 PM on 28th May**.
- Ensure that photos and videos should clearly reflect active student participation.





JUNE



ACTIVITIES: WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY – 5th JUNE

Theme: Climate Action (focusing on systemic changes, renewable energy, and reducing emissions).

World Environment Day is celebrated on **5th June** every year to raise global awareness about environmental protection. Each year, a global theme is announced, and schools are encouraged to align their activities with the current theme. The 2026 theme underscores that climate action is not just about reducing carbon emissions—it is about rethinking the systems that power our economies and repairing our relationship with the climate. By doing so, we can secure a safer, healthier, and more just future for all.

Activities

Green Innovation & Start-Up Exhibition

Schools are encouraged to organize a **Green Innovation / Start-Up Exhibition** showcasing student-led ideas and practical solutions for environmental challenges.

Students may develop:

- Innovative models on **air and water pollution control**
- Disaster preparedness or early warning system prototypes
- Eco-friendly product designs
- Mobile app concepts related to environment, sanitation, or disaster response
- **Organise Eco-Debate or Youth Parliament on the topic** - “Development vs Environment”.
- Conduct Sustainable Fashion Walk with Upcycled clothing fashion show. Students explain how fashion impacts the planet. Can include a “Swap Your Clothes” corner.



- **Conduct Youth Podcast / Talk Show**– Students interview either Local environmentalists or Municipal workers or Farmers
- **Adopt a Spot” Initiative**–Identify a neglected public area. Clean and beautify it with plants or wall art. Document before-and-after visuals.
- Activities must be completed by **5th June**.

All Action videos and high-resolution images must be shared by **12 PM on 5th June**. **Please ensure that in all images and videos the banner of Sulabh Sanitation Club is clearly visible.**

INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY – 21st JUNE

International Yoga Day is celebrated annually on **21st June** to promote awareness about the physical, mental, and emotional benefits of yoga and meditation.

Guidelines for Celebration

- Schools should organize a **mass yoga session** involving at least **100 students**.
- The session may be conducted on the school ground or in the auditorium.
- Basic asanas, pranayama, and meditation practices can be included.
- A brief session on the importance of holistic health and mental well-being may also be conducted.
- Students may take a pledge for healthy living and environmental responsibility.

Submission Guidelines

- Clear group photographs and short video clips must be uploaded by **2:00 PM on 21st June**. Please ensure that in **all activities conducted on Yoga Day**, the official **Sulabh Sanitation Club banner** is clearly displayed and visible in all photographs and video recordings.

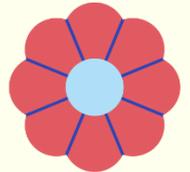
Let us make **June a month of sustainability, innovation, and holistic well-being** by combining environmental responsibility with physical and mental fitness.



JULY

ACTIVITY: ECO-INNOVATORS – BEST OUT OF WASTE

*Theme: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle –
For a Cleaner & Greener Future*



The school is required to conduct the activity **“ECO-INNOVATORS: BEST OUT OF WASTE”** during the month of **July**.

Students will creatively use unwanted or discarded materials in the most productive and innovative way. Materials such as thermocol, plastics, used paper, cardboard, bottles, matchboxes, fabric scraps, etc., can be transformed into useful and meaningful products.

This activity aims to:

- Promote environmental awareness
- Encourage responsible waste management
- Reduce non-biodegradable waste
- Build creativity and innovation skills among students



The activity must be **completed before 25th July** uploaded in **WASH APP** or **sent to our mail at sulabhsanitationclub@gmail.com**.

Images and time-lapse videos of students actively making the crafts must be shared with us latest **by 25 July**. We will only accept images and videos that clearly show students creating the crafts themselves. Ready-made or externally prepared items or articles made earlier will not be considered. We may also visit the school to observe and assess the work done by the students.



Materials That Can Be Used

- Old newspapers
- Used notebooks and chart paper
- Cardboard and book covers
- Paper plates, spoons & disposable glasses
- Used pens and refills
- Old CDs & DVDs
- Toothpicks and matchsticks
- Dry stems of plants and trees
- Mango seeds & fruit seeds
- Old curtains & table covers
- Used foil paper
- Jute rope
- Plastic bottles
- Strings, ribbons, sequins, etc.



Submission Guidelines

- **Share clear images and short time-lapse videos** of the making process.
- Ensure students are visibly involved in the creation and prominent display of the Sanitation Club banner while they are making it.
- Submit all documentation before the deadline.

Let us make **July a month of sustainability, creativity, and environmental responsibility!**



AUGUST

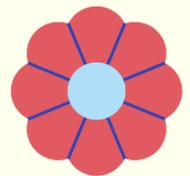
ACTIVITY: WASH CREATIVE ACTION MONTH

The School Sanitation Club may organize a series of **theme-based creative group activities** focusing on key areas such as **Water Conservation, Menstrual Hygiene Management, Handwashing Practices, Climate Change Awareness, and Plastic-Free Schools.**

Suggested Group Activities (Theme-Based & Original)

All activities must be performed **in groups** and strictly aligned with the selected WaSH /environmental theme:

- **Theme-Based Group Songs** (self-composed lyrics and music)
- **Theme-Based Group Rhymes**
- **Theme-Based Group Rap Performances**
- **Original Jingles (Self-Composed)**
- **Short Acts/Skits (Self-Written Scripts) 5 minutes**
- **Theme-Based Group Dance Performances 5 Min**
- **Creative Fashion Show using recycled or waste materials (Trash-to-Treasure Concept)**





Originality & Undertaking

All submissions must be **completely original** and not copied or adapted from any online or external source. PLEASE ENSURE THAT IN **ALL ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED** THE OFFICIAL **SULABH SANITATION CLUB BANNER** IS CLEARLY DISPLAYED AND VISIBLE IN ALL PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO RECORDINGS.

Video Submission Guidelines

- Each group performance must be **properly recorded in video format**.
- Ensure **clear visuals** and **good-quality audio output** (voices and music must be clearly audible).
- The video should capture the **entire performance without interruption**.
- Background noise should be minimized for clarity.
- All pictures and videos must be submitted to us on or before **15 August**.

This initiative aims to encourage creativity, teamwork, environmental responsibility, and ownership among students while strengthening WASH awareness in schools.



SEPTEMBER



ACTIVITY: COMMUNITY RALLY & OUTREACH DRIVE

The School Sanitation Club should organize a **community rally** on themes such as:

- **“Anti-Plastic Campaign”- “Say No to Single-Use Plastic”**
- **“Clean Sikkim Movement”**
- **“Our Village, Our Responsibility”**

The rally should be conducted from the school to any of the local market and back. The preferred date is between **5th – 10th September**.

Community Participation

- School should involve maximum participation from students, teachers, parents, and community members.
- The rally may visit the office of the local **Deputy Commissioner (DC)** or ADM to seek his / her blessings or record a short motivational video message from him supporting the initiative.
- Additionally, the school should also organize a **School Management Committee (SMC) meeting**, involving **Panchayat members**, to:
 - Brief them about the work carried out by the School Sanitation Club from **April to August and show them a PPT presentation**.
- Discuss with them about community collaboration for strengthening WaSH and environmental practices in the school and community. Students must carry **proper placards, posters, and banners** highlighting the theme while going for a rally.
- The **Sanitation Club banner must be clearly visible and prominently displayed**.
- Banners of **NSS/NCC** may also be used, but visibility of the **Sanitation Club identity is mandatory**.



Documentation

- Ensure clear and well-captured **photographs and short video clips** of:
 - The rally procession
 - Community interaction or video messages from SMC or VIP's
 - Meeting with DC or SDM (if conducted) and his /her video message
 - SMC/Panchayat meeting should be well documented
- All pictures and videos must be shared with us by **11th September** for uploading on the **WashApp platform or by sending to sulabhsanitationclub@gmail.com**. Or WhatsApp us @9911140282

This activity aims to strengthen community engagement, promote environmental responsibility, and showcase the impactful work done by the School Sanitation Club.



OCTOBER



ACTIVITY: GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY CELEBRATIONS (15th October)

The School Sanitation Club will organize **Handwashing Awareness Activities** on **15th October**, marking the Global **Handwashing Day**.

Activity Guidelines



The programme may include:

- **Mass Handwashing Activity (100 plus students)** during the school assembly where in a **Group Handwashing Demonstration** by Sanitation Club members is conducted
- **Schools can conduct 30-Second Reel / Short Video Contest.** The Theme ideas are: "Before Eating, After Toilet"/ "Soap is Superpower"/ "Break the Germ Chain"

The schools can upload on the WASH APP platforms or WhatsApp us @991104405

- Schools can make a **"7 Steps Selfie Booth"**. Create a backdrop showing 7 handwashing steps. Students click pictures while demonstrating steps correctly and send it to us in WhatsApp or mail.
- Conduct **Hygiene Storytelling / Poetry Slam**: Students write poems, rap songs, or short stories on: Life of a germ or Journey of soap or A Day without handwashing. The videos and images can be sent to our mail or WhatsApp.
- **Self-composed Jingles or Short Performances** promoting hand hygiene

Sanitation Club members should actively lead the session by:

- Demonstrating the **proper 7 steps of handwashing**



- Explaining when and why handwashing is essential (before meals, after toilet use, etc.) Ensure maximum participation of students to create a strong hygiene message across the school.
- Capture clear **photos and short videos** of all activities. Take videos from students asking them why they need hand washing
- Ensure that demonstrations and group activities are properly visible.
- All pictures and videos must be uploaded on the **same day (15th October)** by **12:00 noon** without fail.

This celebration should reinforce healthy habits and strengthen the culture of hygiene within the school community.



NOVEMBER



ACTIVITY: WORLD TOILET DAY – A SANITATION FESTIVAL (19th November)

Celebrating Dignity, Cleanliness & Healthy Living

In celebration of **World Toilet Day**, the School Sanitation Club shall organize the day as a **Sanitation Festival** – joyful, participatory, and impactful – on **19th November**.

The celebration should create a festive atmosphere in the school while reinforcing the importance of clean and safe toilets.

Festival-Style Celebration Plan

School Decoration

- Decorate toilet areas and school corridors with:
 - Posters and sanitation slogans
 - Paper crafts, rangoli, and awareness charts
 - Balloons and theme-based displays
- Ensure toilets are cleaned and beautified prior to the celebration.



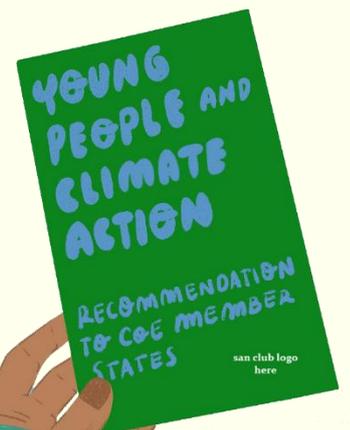
“My Clean Toilet” Drive

- Conduct a supervised cleanliness and inspection activity.
- Reward the **Best Maintained Toilet Block** (Boys/Girls).
- Appreciate support staff and sanitation workers publicly during assembly.

Cultural Performances (Festival Segment)

Organize theme-based group performances such as:

- Short skits on toilet dignity and hygiene
- Self-composed songs, rhymes, or jingles
- Awareness rap or creative presentations



- Street-play style performances within campus
- Conduct a special assembly on **19th November**.
- Students and teachers take a **Sanitation Responsibility Pledge**.
- Invite a local official or Panchayat representative for a short motivational message (if feasible).

- Capture vibrant photographs and short videos showing:
 - Decorations
 - Performances
 - Cleanliness drive
 - Pledge ceremony
- Ensure clear visibility of the **Sanitation Club banner**.
- Submit all documentation by **20th November**.

This day should be celebrated like a **festival of dignity and cleanliness**, reinforcing that **safe toilets are not just facilities – they are symbols of health, respect, and human dignity**



SULABH AWARD CRITERIA



Schools will be judged/ evaluated on the following parameters:

1. **Achievement & Outreach** – Extent to which programme objectives are met, number of students involved, and community outreach achieved.
2. **Inter-School Participation** – Additional weightage for activities involving more than three schools.
3. **Creativity & Innovation** – Original (not plagiarized), innovative, and impactful initiatives.
4. **Consistency & Commitment** – Regular and sincere conduction of all monthly activities without any kind of disruption. Monitoring will be done through the WashApp platform and also by District Education Department officials.
5. **Meeting Participation** – Mandatory attendance of designated teachers in all scheduled online **G-Chat meetings** that are scheduled to be conducted by Sanitation Club, Delhi.
6. On the basis of the performance **Best School, Best Teacher and Best Students** shall be awarded.
7. **Originality** – All submissions must be original. Plagiarism at any stage will result in disqualification.
8. **Final Decision** – Decision/s of the Sulabh Sanitation Club shall be final and binding.

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