



## Secretary Higher Education conducts inspection and reviews progress under Special campaign 5.0 to underscore cleanliness initiatives

### Ministry of Education actively participates in Special Campaign 5.0 to promote Swachhata (cleanliness)

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Under the ongoing Special Campaign 5.0, Dr. Vineet Joshi, Secretary, Higher Education in the Department of Higher Education (DoHE), Ministry of Education conducted an inspection to review and assess the standards of cleanliness in the Education department on 8th October with senior officials. The inspection was undertaken across the office premises of Ministry of Education in Shashtri Bhawan, to examine the progress of setting higher goals and expanding the ministry's efforts towards cleanliness.

Other Senior officials present during the inspection included Syed Ekram Rizvi, Joint Secretary in the Department of Higher Education and Rina Sonowal Kouli, Joint Secretary in the Department of Higher Education.

The ongoing review of the Special Campaign 5.0 is in accordance with the Implementation Phase scheduled from 2nd October to 31st October 2025 focussing on clearing pending matters, including MP's references, PMO and inter-ministerial communications, public grievances, and Parliamentary assurances etc. Participating offices are required to report their progress on daily basis.

The Preparatory Phase was launched on 15th September and was concluded on 30th September 2025. Several heads / faculties of Centrally funded Institutions, UGC, AICTE and officials of DoHE have been requested to set specific targets, identify pending references, and outline key areas for cleanliness and space management during the Preparatory Phase. Special attention has also been given to record management, disposal of outdated materials, e-waste and the beautification of offices.

The DoHE is committed to make Special Campaign 5.0 more successful by setting higher goals and expanding its efforts in cleanliness, record management and reducing pending matters. This year's campaign is aimed at surpassing the milestones of Special Campaign 4.0 by improving the efficiency of offices, enhancing digitalization efforts and accelerating the disposal of e-waste and outdated records.

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