

SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT THROUGH WORK EDUCATION AND ACTION (SEWA)

Report on Making a Compost Pit in the School

The growing mounds of garbage, landfills, open littering, non-segregation of waste is becoming a big concern. This attitudinal change should be sown early among students.

In a small way, a group of 40 'eco-sensitive' members of Grade XI and XII put their heads together to collect 'green waste' or 'kitchen waste', carry the vegetable peels, food waste, spoilt veggies for three days. All 40 of them pooled it together. Initially it was difficult but once they began it became a 'good habit'.

The School permitted them to use the existing Compost Pit to carry out the Project. All the decomposable waste was collected for more than two weeks.

The Students also took professional help from the School Gardener, Builder and Plumber to speeden up the work. Funds to buy the PVC Pipes, Bricks and Cement was mobilised by the Team.

The team succeeded in collecting approximately 10 kg of biodegradable waste to keep the project going.



Recycling of kitchen waste and creating natural manure



Organic materials, such as coffee grounds, egg shells, grass clippings or fallen leaves are added in the pit



Adding a layer of soil and repeating the layers in order



Fitting Pipes in the Compost Pit



Layering the ingredients in the Compost Pile