Department of Science and Technology Successfully Concludes Special Campaign 6 with Significant Achievements in Swachhata, Record Management, reducing Pendency, improving Record Management and Optimising Office Space

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The **Department of Science and Technology (DST)** has successfully concluded **Special Campaign 6**, conducted from **2nd to 31st October, 2026**, reaffirming its commitment to institutionalising **Swachhata**, reducing pendency, strengthening record management, and optimising office space across the Department and its Autonomous Institutions, Subordinate offices, Missions, Technology Innovation Hubs (TIHs). The campaign was implemented in accordance with the guidelines of the Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances (DARPG).

Major Achievements of Special Campaign 6

During the campaign, a total of **906 cleanliness sites** have been cleared across the Department and its Autonomous Institutions and Subordinate Organisations, significantly surpassing the target of **584 campaigns**. These initiatives covered offices, laboratories, campuses and public spaces, promoting cleanliness and creating a sustainable workplace environment.

The Department achieved **100% disposal of all 12 Members of Parliament (MP) References** received during the campaign period. It also resolved**164 Public Grievances** and disposed of **21 Public Grievance Appeals**, demonstrating its commitment to responsive and citizen-centric governance.

The campaign resulted in the generation of**₹25.96 lakh** through disposal activities and the release of **1,72,798 square feet** of office space through the systematic disposal of obsolete records, scrap, unused furniture and other redundant materials.

Under the **Record Management** initiative, the Department reviewed **15,665 physical files**, substantially exceeding the target of **9,199 files**, while achieving **100% review of all 2,516 identified e-files**. As a result, **13,031 physical files were weeded out** and **1,786 e-files were closed**, taking the total number of files weeded out or closed to **14,817**. These efforts have significantly improved record management, reduced pendency and enhanced administrative efficiency.

Recognising the importance of public outreach and stakeholder engagement, the Department extensively showcased the activities undertaken under **Special Campaign 6** through its official digital and social media platforms. More than **690 social media posts** highlighting cleanliness drives, record management initiatives, e-waste disposal, space optimisation and other best practices were disseminated through **X, Facebook, LinkedIn and YouTube**, ensuring wider public awareness and encouraging greater participation by its Autonomous Institutions, Subordinate offices, Missions, Technology Innovation Hubs (TIHs).

The successful completion of **Special Campaign 6** reflects the Department of Science and Technology's continued commitment to transparent, efficient and accountable governance. Through sustained efforts in cleanliness, scientific waste

management, record management, timely disposal of public grievances and references, and effective public outreach, the Department has further strengthened administrative efficiency while creating cleaner, more organised and citizen-centric workplaces.

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