

Village Maintenance Worker (VMW) Empowerment

Background: Mr. Ramesh Saud, a 24 years old young man, from Dipayal Silgadhi Municipality-9, Doti, Far West province lives with his family whose major source of income is agriculture and animal husbandry. He is also a Village Maintenance Worker (VMW) of Kaudhunga Kalena WSS.

Innovation: Mr. Ramesh Saud is very enthusiastic young man who has positive mind set for the development of his area. He participated in the 3 days WSP training organised by Civic Forum very actively and learnt water quality testing procedure step by step. He also gained ideas on system chlorination and different aspects of safe drinking water during the training.

Outcomes: As a result, he was found to be fully capable of using MICS kit for *E. Coli* test collecting sample from different places. He presented a demonstration of water quality test using MICS during the MOU signing event in front of Mayor of Dipayal Silgadhi Municipality, Mrs. Manju Malasi, and other representatives from Dipayal Silgadhi Municipality. Everybody appreciated his positive learning attitude.

Conclusion: Every WSUC and water supply scheme needs VMW like Mr. Ramesh Saud who has positive learning attitude on different aspects of safe drinking water.



Mr. Ramesh Saud learning to use MICS kit during the 3 days WSP training



Mr. Ramesh Saud demonstrating water quality test using MICS kit in presence of Palika representatives