

Training of Teachers on WASH in Schools in Kolkata

The Training of Trainers Programme in Kolkata was organized on 22 - 23 September 2015. A total of 60 TGT / PRT teachers representing 30 Kolkata Municipal Corporation Primary Schools attended the programme. The main objectives of the training was to educate school teachers on the issues pertaining to Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) and thus making them peer educators within their school; strive for behavioral change amongst the students and establish linkages between hygiene practices, poor sanitation, polluted water sources and disease and encouraging them to create a multiplier effect and enhancing learning of students on key issues of WASH. The training was interspersed with panel discussion, key note speeches, group activity, simulation exercises and film screenings and was delivered in both Bengali and English. The training covered topics like, WASH: Local and National perspective, WASH and its interpretation in Education, policy and society, water quality, handling, storage and its treatment, waste disposal and management, ways and means to integrate hygiene education into the curriculum and triggering change.