

## **“Workshop for improving the health of Peace Officers (Traffic Police) in the city of Bhubaneswar”**

Organized by XIM University in partnership with Swechha India supported by the  
American Centre and US Embassy India

Venue: Room No 130, New Academic Block, 1<sup>st</sup> floor  
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Plot No 12(A), Nijigada Kurki, Harirajpur-752050. Dist: Puri, Odisha.

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XIM University in partnership with Swechha India, conducted a “Workshop for improving the health of Peace Officers (Traffic Police) in the city of Bhubaneswar “The event was supported by American Center and US embassy, India.

The event was graced by the Fr. Antony R Uvari, S.J Vice Chancellor, XIM University, Father S. Antony Raj S.J Registrar, XIM University, Mr. Vimlendu Jha, Founder Swechha India, Mr. Salil Kader, Advisor - Strategic Public Engagement at U.S. Consulate General, Hyderabad, Diplomacy & Public Affairs and Prof. Sutapa Pati, Dean School of Sustainability. The Guest of honor was Shri S.K. Priyadarsi, IPS, Commissioner of police, Bhubaneswar- Cuttack.

SDG 3.9.1 and 11.6.2 calls for reduction in deaths and illnesses from air pollution, improve the air quality of cities. The above goals were addressed to improve health of peace officers ( traffic personnel) who bear the brunt of air pollution.

It was a two-day workshop where several speakers were invited to address the selected peace officers where they focused on informative topics such as occupational hazards, environmental pollution, diet and lifestyle of peace officers, pollution apps to keep track on noise & air pollution index and mental health management. 24 Peace officers (12 male and 12 female) from Bhubaneswar attended the workshop.

Students from XIM University, Institute of Chemical Technology, Bhubaneswar, Odisha University of Technology and Research (Formerly CET), ICMR-Regional Medical Research Centre, Bhubaneswar, MITS School of Biotechnology had participated in this workshop where they had a very insightful focused group discussions with the officers and talked about issues faced by them to try and find plausible solutions to these problems. The workshop ended with a yoga session which is an alternative therapy to address pollution. With this workshop we are hoping to create health awareness due to air pollution faced by the peace officers.

Dr. Elizabeth Abba, Associate Professor, School of Sustainability, XIM University, Fulbright Doctoral & Professional Research Scholar coordinated the workshop.

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