

## **SWACHH BHARAT ABHIYAN CLTS Training Programme [7th - 11th Nov, 2016]**

As part of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (SBA) initiative, NSS volunteers from CUJ participated in a 5-day **Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS)** training programme organised at the DC office complex, Samba by the District Administration in collaboration with Tata Water Mission, Knowledge Links and Ministry of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj starting from 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2016. CLTS, is an approach that triggers communities to engage in participatory analysis and collective local action to end open defecation. It looks at Sanitation primarily as a community and not merely an individual household issue.



The 5-day training involved intense pre-triggering and triggering exercises, presentations and field visits. It provided immense knowledge about the hazards and ill-effects from defecating in open. The successive sessions, covered various issues ranging from Health hazards, Reports on Open defecation, Low cost toilet making, triggering tools knowledge. The Triggering experience during the field visits were reported and presented/shared with other teams of facilitators for collaborative knowledge sharing. Six Panchayats of Samba districts were taken up on the pilot basis, during the programme.