## Organized Swachhta awareness program at village Pundrak, Karnal

The ICAR-Central Soil Salinity Research Institute, Karnal organized an awareness program under ongoing SwachhtaPakhwada (16-31<sup>st</sup> December, 2021) at village Pundrak, Karnal on 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 in which more than 50 villagers were participated. At the outset, Dr Rakesh Banyal, team leader briefed about the ongoing swachhta campaign and the activities which can be taken at individual level for keeping personal and surrounding hygiene. He requested the participants for not doing littering and to motivate others for the same. Dr Arvind Kumar has highlighted the importance of cleanliness in day to day life and requested the villagers to avoid excessive use of fertilizers and pesticides in agriculture to produce safe and healthy food. ShVikram Singh, Sarpanch of the village has also expressed his views on swachhta and briefed about the cleanliness works done at village level. Some villagers also put their points and doubts about the cleanliness and farming, which were addressed adequately. Villagers were also motivated to plant trees on their farm bunds to safe guard the environment and for additional income options. The program was ended by presenting vote of thanks to one and all present in the program.

Team also visited vermicompost unit and gave the suggestions for cleanliness and for better management of the unit at the village.













Briefing about the cleanliness to the Vermicompost unit staff by the team members