

## Majboot Loktantra – Roshan Uttarakhand

Light, fire or sunrays are a powerful medium in nature pertaining to attract all living beings. Similarly it cannot be denied that the power of every vote attributes in strengthening the spirit of democracy and we at SVEEP uttarakhand tried to spread the light of democratic enlightenment by organizing a series of programs under Majboot Loktantra – Roshan Uttarakhand. Traditionally light has been used as a means of conveying messages and giving signals in the arduous

hilly terrains of the state. People used resin rich pine trees to make torches and flambeaus and used them to translate messages and signals. This local tradition was revived by SSR by organizing a Programme “ Majboot Loktantra – Roshan Uttarakhand ” on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Under this programme the message of Keval 5 Din shesh (Only 5 days remaining) to get registered as a voter was communicated to masses. In every district, each booth was lightened by burning torches and flambeaus. A significant rise in the voter registration from 1,40,528 to 3,63,845 was seen. In every polling booth BLO along with locals lighted candles, flambeaus and earthen lamps. Processions were organized and people participated enthusiastically in the drive to spread the message of getting oneself essentially registered in voter list.

This activity proved to be highly effective as people came forward for registration of form 6. The programmed was a huge success in replacing the darkness of ignorance by the light of new knowledge and information relating to elections among the Youth and masses.

