

## STRENGTHENING AND PROMOTING WASH IN HUNDRED GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS IN BAHADURPURA AREA OF HYDERABAD

### PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Rotary India leadership has learnt from past experience that sensitisation, prevention efforts, bridge schools and income generation activities do not combat the problem of child labour in a sustained manner unless and until the existing school and college infrastructure is strengthened especially in the rural areas and slums. This project aims to strengthen the existing Government Schools with adequate water and sanitary facilities so that a child-friendly and parent-friendly atmosphere is created in 100 Government Schools in Bahadurpura, the old city of Hyderabad.

With the call given by the Rotary India Leadership, R.I. District 3150 has adopted these Government High Schools to convert them as HAPPY SCHOOLS while the proposed project aims at “promoting these Government High Schools with safe drinking water and group handwashing facilities to ensure that necessary behavioural changes are inculcated among the children”. This implies:

- Fifty schools lacking access to safe drinking water will have this facility in the school well maintained with health and hygiene practices;
- Hundred schools having no proper handwashing facility will be provided with group handwashing facility to inculcate the habit of washing their hands before meal and after using the toilet.
- Necessary behavioural changes are inculcated among the children in these schools and all the children follow good and healthy practices not only in the school but also act as agents of change by preaching them at household and community level;
- Child committees are promoted and strengthened to constantly monitor the proper usage and maintenance of these structures;
- School Management Committees are streamlined and are actively involved in the regular functioning of the schools and overseeing the progress of the children and taking steps to improve the quality of education eventually;
- Parents meetings are regularised and child-friendly and parent-friendly atmosphere is created in these schools;

### Who will benefit from this global grant? Provide the estimated number of direct beneficiaries.

The project will directly benefit 14,000 children studying in hundred Government schools at present. However, the project indirectly benefits the total population of these fifteen and surrounding habitations as these schools cater the needs of the children of all these habitations.

### Where will your project take place?

**Community:** Hundred Government High Schools

**City or Village:** Bahadurpura Mandal, Hyderabad

**Country:** India

### Outline your project implementation schedule

| No. | Activity  | Duration                                   |
|-----|---|--|
| 1.  | Orientation on the Project and its objectives to all the stakeholders (Including the Local Government)              | 1 <sup>st</sup> Month                      |
| 2.  | Provision of safe water in 50 Schools   | 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Months |
| 3.  | Provision of Group Hand Washing Stations in 100 Schools   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Months |
| 4.  | Training SMC Members of fourteen high schools for active participation  | 6 days in intervals                        |
| 5.  | Formation of Child Committees and raising awareness among them for improving health, hygiene and sanitary practices | 12 months                                  |

### SUSTAINABILITY

**What community needs will your project address and how were these needs identified?  
Provide any relevant data or survey results**

Rotary District 3150 has been pioneer in addressing the needs of children in Government schools, especially in rural areas. Its close association with these schools through their adoption program has yielded significant results in improving the quality of education in these respective schools apart from the following significant elements to make these schools child friendly and parent friendly:

- Enhanced infrastructure facilities by fulfilling all the required amenities including furniture and fittings in the schools; Provision of adequate teaching and learning material;
- Improving the capacities and capabilities of teaching faculty and constantly motivating them to perform their tasks effectively;
- Regularised health and moral education classes for the children; Periodic health check-up camps;
- Organising educational, recreational, sports, extra-curricular and national events among the children at the school level and also inter-school;
- Conducting parents meetings periodically to enlighten the progress of the children and to have inter-active sessions in between the teachers and parents;
- Strengthening School Management Committees and ensure they perform their tasks effectively and efficiently for the better functioning of the schools with the improved quality of education;
- Promotion of child forums and child protection committees and enabling them to ensure their rights are fulfilled as stipulated in the Right to Education Act;

Accordingly, with the directions given by the Rotary India Leadership, Rotary Clubs of R.I. District 3150 in the respective areas have adopted ten Government schools in tune with the agreement entered by the Rotary India leadership to bring behavioural changes among the children under WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Education) program.

Respective Rotary Clubs have already conducted survey in these hundred schools with the support of United Way of Hyderabad, who is executing "Nayee Taleem" (Renewed Education Process) in Bahadurpura Mandal of Hyderabad with the support of Deloitte, Hyderabad. Analysis of this survey can be summarised as follows:

- In fifty schools, children have no access to safe drinking water and suffer accordingly.

- Hand wash facility in sanitary units is not existing in hundred schools. So, there is no provision for the children to inculcate good behaviour such as washing hands with soap before taking meal or after using toilet.

Based on these results, the following needs and demands have emerged from the field to provide safe drinking water, improved sanitary facilities separately both for boys and girls and hygiene education that encourage the development of healthy behaviours for life:

- Fifty schools require safe water through the provision of water treatment plant of 200 litres per hour capacity with Reverse Osmosis Technique aiming at access of safe water to children in all the hundred schools;
- Group hand washing facilities need to be provided in 100 schools to enable all the children inculcate the habit of hand washing with soap either after going to toilet or before taking a meal;
- School Management Committees existing in all the schools need to be streamlined and introduce a proper system and procedures to make these committees perform their tasks effectively and efficiently for the improved quality of education among their own children;
- Promote and strengthen child forums and child protection committees not only to oversee the utilisation and maintenance of water and sanitary blocks and behavioural changes but also to make sure that their rights are fulfilled;

#### **BUDGET:**

| SN | ITEM                             | PARTICULARS         | TOTAL AMOUNT     |                |
|----|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------|
|    |                                  |                     | INR              | US\$           |
| 1  | Group Handwashing Stations (100) | at INR 25,000 each  | 2,500,000        | 38,462         |
| 2  | Water Treatment Plants (50)      | at INR 100,000 each | 5,000,000        | 76,923         |
|    | <b>Total</b>                     |                     | <b>7,500,000</b> | <b>115,385</b> |

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#### **PROPOSED FUNDING PATTERN:**

| SN | ITEM   | TOTAL AMOUNT     |                |
|----|--|------------------|----------------|
|    |  | INR              | US\$           |
| 1  | DDF being requested from partnering District | 1,950,000        | 30,000         |
| 2  | DDF from Rotary District 3150                | 487,500          | 7,500          |
| 3  | Cash contribution from Rotary District 3150  | 1,750,000        | 26,923         |
| 4  | Matching from World Fund                     | 3,312,500        | 50,962         |
|    | <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>7,500,000</b> | <b>115,385</b> |

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