

Vedanta commemorates World Toilet Day

Builds sanitation complexes in three schools in Tuticorin, Tamil

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• Vedanta a signatory of the WBCSD WASH Pledge, extends access to safe

water, sanitation and hygiene to its host communities.

• Banjari Village in Odisha made Open Defecation Free (ODF)

Building 4,000 modernized Anganwadis with 8000 toilets, in partnership with

MoWCD

New Delhi, November 18, 2016: Vedanta Limited, India's leading diversified natural resources

company, is committed to promote awareness on sanitation and hygiene in schools and villages in

India. In commemoration of World Toilet Day, Vedanta invested Rs.10.5 lakhs to build sanitation

complexes in three schools, TNDTA Primary School, Meelavittan, TNDTA primary School,

Periyanayagipuram and RC Primary School, Vadakusilukkanpatti. These complexes will benefit

over 200 students in Tuticorin, Tamil Nadu.

"Vedanta's social investment programmes support the local governments in achieving their

development goals. Accessibility to clean sanitation facilities is essential for a broad-based socio-

economic development. The Prime Minister's 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyan' is a visionary initiative

that addresses crucial issues such as the importance of sanitation and hygiene in reducing the

spread of diseases," said Ms. Roma Balwani, President, Group Communication and Sustainable

Development.

Vedanta is one of 30 multinational companies to have signed the World Business Council for

Sustainable Development (WBCSD) WASH Pledge - a business - led initiative that secures access

to safe water, sanitation and hygiene for all employees in the workplace. The company extends

access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene to its host communities.

Vedanta's efforts in partnership with the State Government of Odisha led to 100% households in

the Banjari Village in Jharsuguda District becoming Open Defecation Free. In Rajasthan, Cairn

India completed construction of about 8000 household toilets till date and the project will

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ultimately benefit community members of 25 gram panchayats. Under Hindustan Zinc's sanitation

project about 10,000 toilets have been constructed and the completion of the programme will

benefit 80 rural villages. At Tuticorin, Vedanta's subsidiary Sterlite Copper constructed 315 toilets

to benefit 2000 people in the region and six school toilet complexes constructed benefits about

5000 students.

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Vedanta's flagship CSR project, Nand Ghar, a service delivery unit established under the

Integrated Child Development Scheme by the Government of India is focused on child

development and women empowerment. The Nand Ghar project is aligned with Prime Minister of

India's campaigns of Digital India, Swachh Bharat and Skill India. Across India, in three years,

4000 modern Anganwadis built with 8000 toilets will benefit an estimated 25 lakh community

members.

Vedanta's Sanitation projects include awareness programmes initiated to impress upon the

villagers the importance of a household toilet. Meetings with groups of families are held on a

phased manner over a period of several weeks. The villagers were educated about spread of

diseases like Malaria and minimizing the risk of contamination of drinking water sources.

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