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PREFACE

This is the impact assessment report of a CSR project undertaken by Rashtriya Chemicals And Fertilizers Limited (RCF) during the financial year 2023-2024, across all location in India.

The assessment report in brief presents the company CSR policy, budget allocations and the aspects of thrust areas as well. The impact assessment report has various chapters on aspects including Crux approach and methodology, followed by analysis of key components, analysis and results, and recommendations and suggestions.

Crux team of subject matter experts along with project head have carried the impact assessment evaluation and the resultsevaluated herewith are derived from quantitative and qualitative data collected and analyzed across all projects and perspectives of all stakeholders involved in the process is enumerated.

The suggestions and recommendations are specific to the thematic areas in general which may be adopted as per suitability in the future endeavors.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CSR	Corporate Social Responsibility
RCF	Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Limited
PSU	Public Sector Unit
DPE	Department of Public Enterprises
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
BPL	Below Poverty Line
MoU	Memorandum of understanding

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CSR INTRODUCTION

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Driven by a desire for positive social impact, risk mitigation, and strategic growth, CSR has evolved into a key component of corporate strategy in the contemporary business landscape. The continued evolving of CSR is expected as businesses respond to the changing expectations of consumers, investors, and the global community

CRUX RESEARCH INITIATIVES

Crux has mandated itself and has a vision to provide services in CSR space and thus to conduct several activities related to capacity building, mindset changing, empowerment of women and children, health awareness and preventive measures. Crux partners with various organizations both public sector and private sector and provides solutions in CSR studies including baseline surveys, for impact assessment, CSR audit and CSR planning.

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METHODOLOGY FOR THE EVALUATION

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Effectiveness & Uniqueness

Did the outputs help achieve the goal? Did the project have any unique feature?

Comparing the inputs to the extent of goals achieved, can project implementation be considered to be effective?

Can the project be replicated?

Impact

What were the various tangible and intangible?

Positive and negative impacts (Socio-economic, Environment, Policy,

Technology, Awareness) On different stakeholders of the project?

Sustainability

Would the impacts created by the project sustain?

Considering the present course of project, is the project sustainable?

If not, what modifications and corrections need to be done with project execution methodology?

Research Objectives

1. To assess if project objectives were in line with the desired output
2. To evaluate if benefits reached the target population
3. To assess the effectiveness of the program in terms of the changes

Data collection

The present study was conducted for multiple projects across different geographies and thematic areas CSR programs so there were separate methods and tools used to collect information from different stakeholders of all the programs.

Tools of the Study:

- Questionnaire for beneficiaries of project
- Interview Schedule with RCF officials
- Interview Schedule with Implementing partners of each project

Objectives	Sources	Tools
To assess if project objectives were in line with the needs of baseline survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RCF Implementing agency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secondary Data like Project Proposal, MoU with partners Interview Schedule with RCF Interview Schedule with Implementing agency
To evaluate if benefits reached the target population	Beneficiaries Site visit (for infrastructure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questionnaires for beneficiaries Observation notes of researcher
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Sources of Data

The research team focused and collected only primary data from the field. They had interviews with the beneficiaries and got their views to understand the impact of the program. To get a more holistic view, they interviewed the implementing agencies to understand the implementation, strengths and challenges.

Sampling criteria

A simple random sample was best practice adopted to be an unbiased representation of a group.

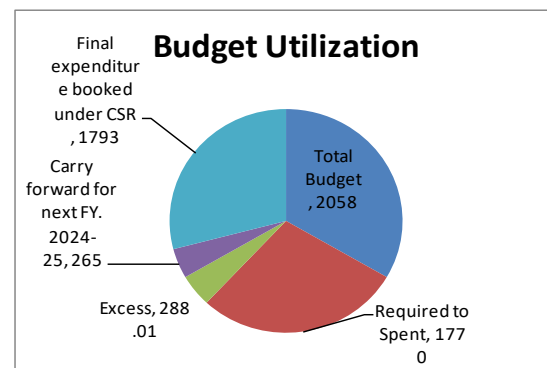
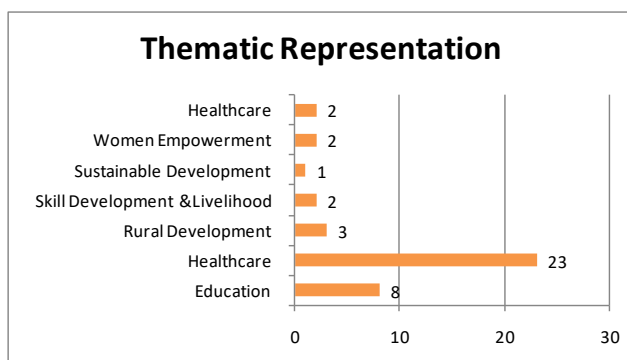
Summary of the Project evaluated for the assessment

Thematic area representation

Thematic area	No of projects
Promotion of Education	8
Promotion of Healthcare	23
Promotion of Rural Development	3
Promotion of Skill Development and Livelihood	2
Promotion of Sustainable Development	1
Promotion of Women Empowerment	2
Promotion of Healthcare	2
Grand Total	41

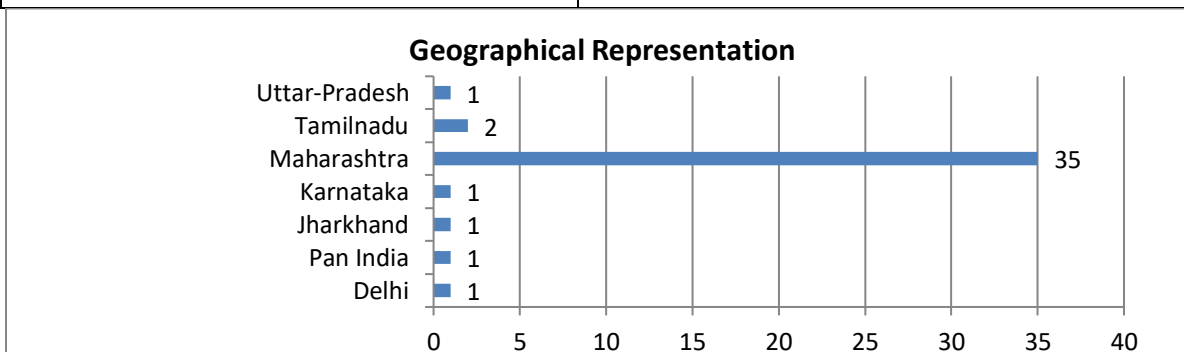
Budget for the year

Budget Spent in the year	Amount
Total Budget Rs Lakhs	2,058
Required to Spent	1770
Excess	288.01
Carry forward for next FY. 2024-25	265
Final expenditure booked under CSR	1793



Geographical spread of the projects

Geographical Representation	
Location	No of projects
Delhi	1
Pan India	1
Jharkhand	1
Karnataka	1
Maharashtra	35
Tamilnadu	2
Uttar-Pradesh	1



Evaluations had the following characteristics:

The five valuation criteria of Relevance, Effectiveness, Efficiency, Impact and sustainability are covered, cross-cutting issues, such as poverty, gender and environment, are taken into consideration, and the intervention logic is analyzed.

Relevance	Are we doing the right thing? How important is the relevance or significance of the intervention regarding local and national requirements and priorities?
Effectiveness	Are the objectives of the development interventions being achieved? How big is the effectiveness or impact of the project compared to the objectives planned (Comparison: result – planning)?
Efficiency	Are the objectives being achieved economically by the development intervention? How big is the efficiency or utilization ratio of the resources used (Comparison: resources applied – results)?
Impact	Does the development intervention contribute to reaching higher level development objectives (preferably, overall objective)? What is the impact or effect of the intervention in proportion to the overall
Sustainability	Are the positive effects or impacts sustainable? How is the sustainability or permanence of the intervention and its effects to be assessed?

Assessment on REESI Parameters

Sl no	Project Details	Parameters - Rated on High(H) , Medium(M) & Low(L)				
Name of projects		Relevance	Efficiency	Effectiveness	Uniqueness	Impact & sustainability
1	Medical Equipment to Shatabdi Hospital	H	H	H	M	M
2	Mid-day-Meal to school	H	H	H	H	M
3	Dustbins to Slums and residential societies	H	H	H	H	M
4	Supply of Water to Village in Raigad Districts	H	H	H	M	M
5	Equipment to Primary Healthcare centres	H	H	H	M	M
6	Mobile Medical Van at Thal & Trombay	H	H	H	M	M
7	Fin Asstt for construction of Toilet blocks in the wellness and culture centre at Jalna	H	H	H	H	H
8	Fin Asstt for installation of Water coolers in School, Shegaon	H	H	H	H	H

9	Repair of Savitribai Phule School, Chembur	H	H	H	H	H
10	Construction of Roads nearby RCF Thal Unit	H	H	H	H	M
11	Scholarship to SC/ST students _Thal villages	H	H	H	M	M
12	Supply of Saplings, seeds to farmers	H	H	H	M	H
13	Fin Asstt for purchase of 20 Computer to Anjuman Islam Janjira School, Mhasala	H	H	H	H	H
14	Nutrition & Patients welfare Centre	H	H	H	M	M
15	Lifesaving Medical aid to 50 patients	H	H	H	M	M
16	Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
17	Installation of Community Fitness Centres across Bidar district, Karnataka	H	H	H	H	H
18	Women Power – ‘Strengthening Self Help Groups and uplifting women and girls through entrepreneurship for social impact	H	H	H	H	M
19	Fin. Asstt. for Project for educational empowerment of SC/ST students.	H	H	H	H	H
20	Fin. Asstt. for providing general OPD and free medicines to patients visiting Sushrut hospital, Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
21	Fin. Asstt. for organize “Promotion of prevention of cancer” program in schools at Kharghar, Mumbai	H	H	H	H	M
22	Fin. Asstt. Vocational/Skill Training cum livelihood project for the disabled	H	H	H	H	H
23	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of new Audio system for school	H	H	H	H	H
24	Fin. Asstt. for installation of Solar system in the Collage Building	H	H	H	H	H
25	Fin. Asstt. for distributions of educational material to students nearby Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
26	Fin. Asstt. for arrangement of Medical camp nearby Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
27	Fin. Asstt. for distribution of Educational Material and furniture to school	H	H	H	M	M
28	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of Medicines and hygiene kits for school	H	H	H	M	M
29	Fin. Assistance for purchase of ration to Divija Old age Home	H	H	H	M	M
30	Financial Assistance for title sponsorship to their new Hospital building under CSR	H	H	H	H	H
31	Financial Assistance for conducting Community based mass screen programme for ovarian cancer and other tests including free distribution of sanitary napkins to underprivileged society	H	H	H	H	H
32	Financial Support to project WINGS – Women’s Income Generation Through Sanitary Pads manufacturing units	H	H	H	M	M
33	Fin. Asstt. For construction of Toilet Blocks for Science Innovation and Activity Centre	H	H	H	M	M

34	Fin. Asstt for purchase of Gymnasium equipment of nearby Grampanchyat of RCF Thal unit.	H	H	H	H	H
35	Fin. Asstt for purchase of modular toilet blocks for Fisherman Societies, local schools nearby RCF Thal unit.	H	H	H	H	M
36	Fin. support for purchase of Gym Equipment for gymnasium for senior citizens	H	H	H	H	H
37	Fin asstt to purchase of Medical equipment to Rajawadi Hospital	H	H	H	H	H
38	Purchase of Agriculture Spray Drones under PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme to Distribute SHGs of all over India	H	H	H	H	H
39	Implementation of Swachha Bharath Abhiyan at District Civil Hospital, Alibaug	H	H	H	H	H
40	Financial Asstt for construction of school at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School, Alampadi, Tamilnadu	H	H	H	H	H
41	Fund to Swachha Bharat Kosh	H	H	H	H	H

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

RCF in future can adopt the following in its CSR program planning

Recommendations and Conclusions

To improve the CSR projects across various thematic areas, the following recommendations have been developed. Each set of recommendations addresses specific gaps observed in the projects, covering areas like healthcare, education, infrastructure, and community development. These suggestions will aid to ensure comprehensive improvement and implementing them will ensure that RCF's CSR initiatives are sustainable, effective, and deliver long-term benefits to the communities they serve-

1. Strengthen Community Engagement: Increase engagement with local community leaders and beneficiaries during the project planning phase to ensure that projects are not just beneficial but also aligned with cultural and local priorities.
2. Combine Infrastructure with Awareness Programs: Combine physical infrastructure projects (e.g., water tanks, school buildings) with community awareness programs to ensure full utilization and engagement by the beneficiaries.
3. Enhance Collaboration with Local Authorities: Improve collaboration with local government bodies to address challenges quickly and streamline project implementation, especially in regulatory or licensing matters.

4. Enhance Project Management Processes: Implement better project management practices to reduce delays and cost overruns, such as using digital tools for tracking milestones and budget expenditure.
5. Standardize Procurement Procedures: Create standardized procurement processes to reduce time delays and improve cost efficiency, especially for projects involving the supply of materials or equipment.
6. Scale Successful Pilots: Identify small-scale projects that showed high success and look for ways to scale them to other locations, using the lessons learned to improve replication.
7. Develop Local Maintenance Committees: Form local committees to oversee the maintenance of facilities, like water supply systems or school buildings, ensuring their upkeep even after the project's end.
8. Introduce Financial Literacy Programs: For income generation projects, include financial literacy training to help beneficiaries manage their earnings and plan for sustained growth.
9. Strengthen Partnerships for Ongoing Support: Enhance partnerships with local NGOs, government agencies, and community organizations to ensure continued support and resource sharing even after the project's initial phase concludes.
10. Focus on Capacity Building: Invest more in training programs that build local capacities, such as training healthcare workers or educators, ensuring that the community can sustain the benefits of the project independently.
11. Create a Maintenance Fund for Key Infrastructure Projects: For projects like healthcare equipment or educational infrastructure, consider setting up a dedicated fund for future repairs or maintenance, ensuring these resources remain operational.
12. Adopt Environmentally Sustainable Practices: Ensure projects integrate environmentally friendly practices. For instance, water projects should focus on sustainable water management, and construction projects should use eco-friendly materials where possible.
13. Encourage Local Ownership Models: Wherever feasible, transfer ownership of projects to local community groups or cooperatives. This model encourages a sense of responsibility and ensures the project remains a community asset for years to come.
14. Establish Water User Committees: Form local water user groups responsible for the regular maintenance of water supply infrastructure, ensuring proper usage and upkeep.
15. Include Maintenance Funds in Project Budgets: Allocate a dedicated portion of the project budget for future repairs and maintenance, particularly for projects involving physical infrastructure like buildings and community centers.

16. Enhance Market Linkages: Form partnerships with local businesses, cooperatives, and e-commerce platforms to provide better market access for products created through livelihood initiatives, helping sustain income generation.
17. Conduct Environmental Awareness Workshops: Host community workshops focused on the importance of conservation, waste management, and sustainable practices, encouraging more eco-friendly behaviors.
18. Integrate Sustainable Practices Across Projects: Adopt environmentally friendly practices in all infrastructure projects, such as using solar energy, rainwater harvesting, and recycled materials. Biodiversity.
19. Enhance Stakeholder Communication: Improve regular communication with stakeholders, including local authorities, community members, and employees of RCF, to keep them informed and engaged throughout the project lifecycle.
20. Create Sustainability Plans for Each Project: Develop clear sustainability plans for each project, outlining how they will be maintained and funded beyond the initial implementation period.

These recommendations aim to address the specific issues identified within the projects, fostering improved relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, impact, and sustainability across various CSR initiatives.

Specific Recommendations across Project Types/Thematic areas

- Healthcare Projects: Regularly assess health indicators to determine improvements. Consider partnerships with local healthcare providers to enhance service delivery and training.
- Educational Initiatives: Track the improvement in educational metrics, such as enrollment rates, attendance, and academic performance. Ensure infrastructure projects like the construction of school buildings or provision of computers are accompanied by training for effective use.
- Water and Sanitation: Focus on creating awareness about hygiene practices along with providing infrastructure. This ensures that facilities like toilets, water coolers, and dustbins are used effectively and maintained properly.
- Women Empowerment and Livelihoods: Prioritize skill development and market linkages for projects that focus on women's income generation. Track increases in income and self-sufficiency levels.

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The corner stone of CSR are engagement and well-being of all stakeholders while pursuing profit goals.

The organizations world around have embraced the fact the stake holder management is a fundamental requirement for sustained and meaningful growth. Recognizing that businesses impact a wide range of stakeholders, including employees, customers, communities, and the environment, CSR philosophy emphasizes engaging with and addressing the needs of these diverse groups.

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CSR can be defined as - the alignment of business operations with social values. CSR consist of integrity the interest of stakeholders all those affected by the company's conduct into the company's business policies and action.CSR focus is on the social environment and the financial or economic success of a company. CSR is concerned with treating the stakeholders of the firm ethically or in a responsible manner. Ethically or responsible means treating stakeholders in a manner deemed acceptable in civilized society. Social includes economic responsibility. Stakeholder exist both within a firm an outside. The wider aim of social responsibility is to create higher and higher standard of

living, while preserving the profitability of the corporation, for people's b within and outside the corporation.

Triple Bottom Line is also implicit, since the third part of the triple is the environment, and we have to consider the environment to be a stakeholder of the company. Nevertheless, many prefer the term corporate responsibility.

As it is observed that CSR funding is majorly a social Investment. CSR philosophy emphasizes social investment as a strategic choice, recognizing that investing in community development, education, healthcare, and social welfare not only benefits society but also contributes to the long-term success and reputation of the business.

While the landscape of CSR funding has evolved and expanded, the growth of CSR has been notable in recent years, driven by several factors:

Globalization: As businesses operate on a more global scale, there is increased awareness of the interconnectedness of economic, social, and environmental issues. Companies recognize the need to address global challenges through responsible business practices.

Regulatory Pressures: Many countries have implemented or are considering regulations that mandate or encourage CSR activities. Compliance with these regulations has become a factor in corporate decision-making.

Investor Influence: Investors are increasingly considering environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors in their investment decisions. Companies with strong CSR practices are often viewed more favorably by socially responsible investors.

Consumer Expectations: Consumers are becoming more conscious of the social and environmental impact of their purchases. Businesses that align with consumer values and demonstrate responsible practices are better positioned for success.

Technology and Transparency: Advancements in technology have increased transparency, making it easier for consumers and stakeholders to access information about a company's practices. This transparency puts pressure on businesses to operate responsibly.

In conclusion, CSR funding reflects a philosophy that recognizes the broader responsibilities of businesses in society. Driven by a desire for positive social impact, risk mitigation, and strategic growth, CSR has evolved into a key component of corporate strategy in the contemporary business landscape. The continued evolving of CSR is expected as businesses respond to the changing expectations of consumers, investors, and the global community.

Why we need CSR?

Today's heightened interest in the proper role of business in society has been promoted by increased sensitivity to ethical issues. Government regulation regarding environmental and social issue has increased. Investors and investment fund manager have begun to make investment decision based on social sustainability as well as pure economics. Consumers have become sensitive to the social performance of the companies from which they have bought their goods and services. This accumulation of industry forces pressure firms to operate in an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable way. This is done by spending money on communities, improving project, endowing scholarship and encouraging workers to volunteer. For many corporations, communities outreach programs create goodwill in the community. This can indirectly increase revenue.

The Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) under Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises has introduced the Guidelines for CSR in March, 2010 for the Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs). The guidelines give a view about the concept of CSR and how a corporate needs to conceptualize its CSR interventions prior to their implementation. Earlier the trend was more of charity or philanthropy which was considered as CSR but in recent times a shift has taken place with focus on the participation of people with the employees in implementing CSR initiatives. The interventions are required to be thoroughly researched on the basis of that the programs have to be formulated which is a new and phenomenal development in the past 3-4 years. This interest and initiative is seen on part of the CPSEs as they gradually realize their responsibility towards the environment, people and the potential

of such a corporate in affecting change.

DPE GUIDELINES FOR CSR

India's new Companies Act 2013 (Companies Act) has introduced several new provisions which change the face of Indian corporate business Companies Act 2013 (Companies Act). One of such new provisions is Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). The concept of CSR rests on the ideology of give and take. Companies take resources in the form of raw materials, human resources etc from the society. By performing the task of CSR activities, the companies are giving something back to the society.

Ministry of Corporate Affairs has recently notified Section 135 and Schedule VII of the Companies Act as well as the provisions of the Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Rules, 2014 (CRS Rules) which has come into effect 1 April 2014.

CSR- India's companies Act 2013

Definition of the term CSR: The term CSR has been defined under the CSR Rules which includes but is not limited to:

- Projects or programs relating to activities specified in the Schedule; or
- Projects or programs relating to activities undertaken by the Board in pursuance of recommendations of the CSR Committee as per the declared CSR policy subject to the condition that such policy covers subjects enumerated in the Schedule.

This definition of CSR assumes significance as it allows companies to engage in projects or programs relating to activities enlisted under the Schedule. Flexibility is also permitted to the companies by allowing them to choose their preferred CSR engagements that are in conformity with the CSR policy.

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RCF has been implementing CSR activities since more than 50 years, much before it became as a mandate by Companies Act 2013. All PSUs came into ambit of CSR guideline by DPE on 2010 onwards. Accordingly RCF had lined up many activities keeping in view of CSR mandate. Many of the activities are of continuous & ongoing in nature & have been formulated keeping in mind the location of plant & requirement of beneficiaries.

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3. CSR Programs

3.1 Activities: RCF shall take up any of the following programs/Projects which have direct bearing on the welfare of the target community, adhering to the requirements of applicable Rules and guidelines:

- a) Promoting Education.
- b) Promoting preventive healthcare.
- c) Making available safe drinking water.
- d) Taking measures for reducing inequalities faced by socially and economically backward groups.
- e) Rural development projects.
- f) Ensuring environmental sustainability, ecological balance, and conservation of natural resources and maintaining quality of soil, air and water.
- g) Make contributions to different Funds authorized under the Companies Act 2013.

3.2 Geographical area:

The geographical area of RCF's CSR/SD activities shall be as under:

- a) Mainly the immediate surroundings of the operating units at Thal and Trombay.
- b) Specific area / part of any State, where RCF has its marketing interest.

4.0 CSR Committee:

CSR Committee, constituted by the Board and comprising of at least one independent Director shall formulate the Annual CSR Plan of Activities and an annual Budget, in line with requirements of Companies Act, 2013 and DPE Guidelines. The Annual CSR Budget shall be put up to Board for approval in the beginning of a financial year. The Committee shall periodically meet and review the execution of programs/projects. CSR

Committee shall be assisted by a below Board level committee of executives representing related functions who would coordinate and carryout the directions of the CSR Committee /Board.

5.0 Approach

RCF by itself or through any registered trust or registered society or a company may undertake the execution of the programs/projects promoted by RCF or otherwise.

Necessary partnerships will be forged with a range of stakeholders at the local, state and national level, including Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), technical support organizations, public representatives and opinion makers, other Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs), private sector and concerned government departments. Where needed, the services of individual experts/ consultants will also be solicited. Company will review the Policy from time to time based on changing needs and aspirations of the target beneficiaries and make suitable modifications, as may be necessary.

6.0 Impact assessment, monitoring and evaluation

6.1 RCF may engage any reputed third parties who will, on need basis, provide suitable suggestions to enable effective results based delivery and ensure accountability and transparency of various CSR initiatives of RCF.

6.2 The third party will also create the framework for accountable and participatory monitoring, evaluation and impact assessment by preparing mid-and-annual impact assessment reports.

CHAPTER 2: METHODOLOGY

Research Design

A research design is a plan, structure and strategy of investigation so conceived as to obtain answers to research questions or problems. The plan is the complete scheme or program of the research. It includes an outline of what the investigator will do from writing the hypotheses and their operational implications to the final analysis of data.

Descriptive study designs can help you show whether your program is operating as planned, provide you with feedback about the services you offer, determine whether your program is producing the types of outputs and outcomes you want, and help clarify program processes, goals and objectives. This is an ideal design for an evaluation study where the context is known to the researcher and the research questions need further description to evaluate the program.

Thus, a Descriptive study design was used with Quantitative method to collect information from the beneficiaries and Qualitative method to gain insights in the workings of the implementing partners and RCF officials. The quantitative descriptive design is concerned with describing the characteristics of a particular group, with description of certain facts concerning that group.

Quantitative Method was used as is normally done in a Descriptive study design. This helped best to establish the incidence, extent and magnitude of the program. There was an attempt to seek information about the program to evaluate its planning, implementation and outcomes. There was no attempt to theorize the data to explain the phenomena. Findings are generalized based on the response of the sample.

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Effectiveness & Uniqueness

Did the outputs help achieve the goal? Did the project have any unique feature?

Comparing the inputs to the extent of goals achieved, can project implementation be considered to be effective?

Can the project be replicated?

Impact

What were the various tangible and intangible?

Positive and negative impacts (Socio-economic, Environment, Policy, Technology, Awareness)

On different stakeholders of the project?

Sustainability

Would the impacts created by the project sustain?

Considering the present course of project, is the project sustainable?

If not, what modifications and corrections need to be done with project execution methodology?

Research Objectives

- To assess if project objectives were in line with the desired output
- To evaluate if benefits reached the target population
- To assess the effectiveness of the program in terms of the changes

Data collection

Data collection is a vital part of research to bring the facts and validate them. The present study was conducted for multiple projects across different geographies and thematic areas CSR programs so there were separate methods and tools used to collect information from different stakeholders of all the programs.

Tools of the Study:

- Questionnaire for beneficiaries of project
- Interview Schedule with RCF officials
- Interview Schedule with Implementing partners of each project

Objectives	Sources	Tools
To assess if project objectives were in line with the needs of baseline survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCF • Implementing agency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary Data like Project Proposal, MoU with partners • Interview Schedule with RCF • Interview Schedule with Implementing agency
To evaluate if benefits reached the target population	Beneficiaries Site visit (for infrastructure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questionnaires for beneficiaries • Observation notes of researcher
To assess the effectiveness of the program in terms of the changes	Beneficiaries Implementing agency RCF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questionnaires for beneficiaries • Interview Schedule with RCF • Interview Schedule with Implementing agency • Observation notes of researcher

Sources of Data

The research team focused and collected only primary data from the field. They had interviews with the beneficiaries and got their views to understand the impact of the program. To get a more holistic view, they interviewed the implementing agencies to understand the implementation, strengths and challenges. Questionnaires consisting of majorly close-ended questions focused on the information and experiences of the beneficiaries of various programs services were prepared respectively. Interview schedule for the officials of implementing agencies was prepared which comprised of open ended questions.

Sampling criteria

Sampling is simply stated as selecting a portion of the population, in the research area, which will be a representation of the whole population. The usual goal in sampling is to produce a representative sample (i.e., a sample that is similar to the population on all characteristics, except that it includes fewer people because it is a sample rather than

the complete population). Simple random sampling was used in order to select the samples. A simple random sample is meant to be an unbiased representation of a group. It is the most basic sampling procedure to draw the sample.

Summary of the Project evaluated for assessment

Thematic area representation

Thematic area	No of projects
Promotion of Education	8
Promotion of Healthcare	23
Promotion of Rural Development	3
Promotion of Skill Development and Livelihood	2
Promotion of Sustainable Development	1
Promotion of Women Empowerment	2
Promotion of Healthcare	2
Grand Total	41

Budget Spent in the year

Category	Amount
Total Budget Rs Lakhs	2,058
Required to Spent	1770
Excess	288.01
Carry forward for next FY. 2024-25	265
Final expenditure booked under CSR	1793

CHAPTER 3: DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

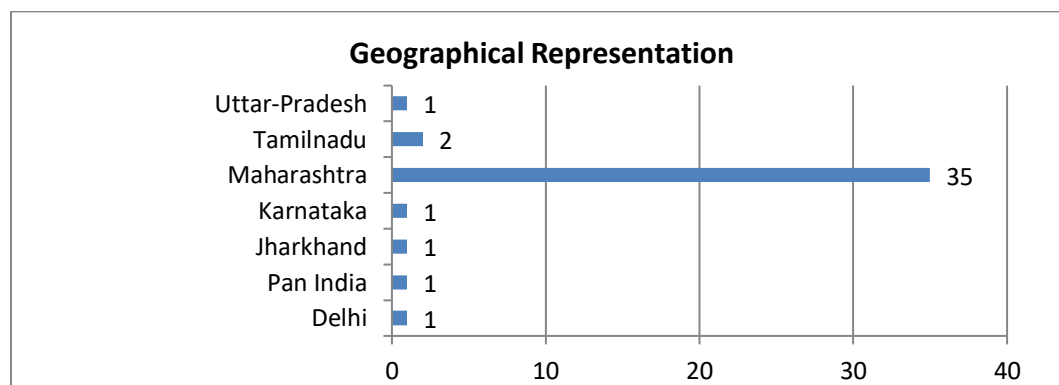
RCF corporate office is earmarked to carry out CSR projects Majorly in Thal, Trombay its adjutant Districts and in few programs in states like Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka and Assam.

Demographics

- The geographical location of the projects is all neighboring rural areas of RCF Thal, Trombay plant except few that have implemented in Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Assam states.
- All the beneficiaries are from the rural areas mostly located near the RFC plants.
- The age group of beneficiaries is as young as infants to new born, young children, teenager adolescents and projects to even above 70 years for the health projects.
- The beneficiaries are from low income profile and both males and females have accrued the benefits from all the projects.
- The beneficiaries' are from all communities including the SC/ST communities, Adivasis and others.

Geographical Spread of the Projects executed

Geographical Representation	
Location	No of projects
Delhi	1
Pan India	1
Jharkhand	1
Karnataka	1
Maharashtra	35
Tamilnadu	2
Uttar-Pradesh	1



CHAPTER 4: PROGRAMS AND THE IMPLEMENTING AGENCIES

The CSR projects of RCF are being implemented since 2015, it is only imperative that a final assessment is made to take stock of the (i) implementation progress and key achievements; (ii) key processes instituted with respect to results indicators; (iii) key issues faced with respect to progress, scaling-up and quality; and (v) any changes/corrective measures and restructuring that would be required for accelerating implementation and scaling-up, improved project outcomes and utilization of funds.

Project Details

DATA ANALYSIS

SN	Name of the Project	Thrust area	Amount spent (Rs.- Lakh)	Start Year	Implementing Partner
					Name
1	Medical Equipment to Shatabdi Hospital	Healthcare	17.01	2023	RCF
2	Mid-day-Meal to school	Healthcare	83.64	2023	RCF
3	Dustbins to Slums and residential societies	Healthcare	10.4	2023	RCF
4	Supply of Water to Village in Raigad Districts	Healthcare	217.4	2023	RCF
5	Equipment to Primary Healthcare centres	Healthcare	5.56	2023	RCF
6	Mobile Medical Van AtThal&Trombay	Healthcare	97.34	2023	RCF/NGO
7	Fin Asstt for construction of Toilet blocks in the wellness and culture centre at Jalna	Healthcare	10	2023	ISKON
8	Fin Asstt for installation of Water coolers in School, Shegaon	Healthcare	1	2023	Youth Council
9	Repair of Savitribai Phule School, Chembur	Education	12.87	2023	RCF
10	Construction of Roads nearby RCF Thal Unit	Rural Development	98.56	2023	RCF
11	Scholarship to SC/ST students _Thal villages	Education	1.44	2023	RCF
12	Supply of Saplings, seeds to farmers	Rural Development	16.51	2023	RCF
13	Fin Asstt for purchase of 20 Computer to Anjuman Islam Janjira School, Mhasala	Education	7.7	2023	Anjuman Islam Janjira
14	Nutrition & Patients welfare Centre	Healthcare	12.31	2023	Access Life Assistance Foundation
15	Lifesaving Medical aid to 50 patients	Healthcare	15	2023	Modern Education Social & Cultural Organization (MESCO)

Sno	Name of the Project	Thrust area	Amount spent	Start Year	Implementing Partner
16	Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur	Healthcare	1.5	2023	Chandra Sundra Trust (CST)
17	Installation of Community Fitness Centres across Bidar district	Healthcare	250	2023	Sarvodaya Integrated Rural Development Society
18	Women Power – ‘Strengthening Self Help Groups and uplifting women and girls through entrepreneurship for social impact	Women Empowerment	99.6	2023	All India Institute of Local Self-Government (AIILSG)
19	Fin. Asstt. for Project for educational empowerment of SC/ST students.	Education	24.93	2023	Integrated Rural Development Centre (IRDC)
20	Fin. Asstt. for providing general OPD and free medicines to patients visiting Sushrut hospital, Chembur	Healthcare	5	2023	Sushrut Hospital and Research Centre, Chembur Mumbai
21	Fin. Asstt. for organize “Promotion of prevention of cancer” program in schools at Kharghar, Mumbai	Healthcare	5	2023	Brahmaputra Cancer care society, Kharghar, Mumbai
22	Fin. Asstt. Vocational/Skill Training cum livelihood project for the disabled	Skill Development and Livelihood	14.25	2023	The National Association of Disabled’s Enterprises (NADE), Mumbai
23	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of new Audio system for school	Education	5.5	2023	Lokmanya Shikshan Sanstha, Chembur, Mumbai
24	Fin. Asstt. for installation of Solar system in the Collage Building	Sustainable Development	15	2023	Janata Shikshan Mandal, Alibag, Raigad
25	Fin. Asstt. for distributions of educational material to students nearby Chembur	Education	4.3	2023	AsmitaMahila Mandal
26	Fin. Asstt. for arrangement of Medical camp nearby Chembur	Healthcare	9.5	2023	AsmitaMahila Mandal
27	Fin. Asstt. for distribution of Educational Material and furniture to school	Education	1.34	2023	Pancharatna Mitra Mandal (PMM)
28	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of Medicines and hygiene kits for school	Healthcare	0.78	2023	Pancharatna Mitra Mandal (PMM)
29	Fin. Assistance for purchase of ration to Divija Old age Home	Healthcare	2	2023	Swastik Foundation, Sindudurg District, Maharashtra
30	Financial Assistance for title sponsorship to their new Hospital building under CSR	Healthcare	200	2023	Lions Health Foundation
31	Financial Assistance for conducting Community based mass screen programme for ovarian cancer and other tests including free distribution of sanitary napkins to underprivileged society	Healthcare	14	2023	Savera Foundation Trust (SFT), Delhi

32	Financial Support to project WINGS – Women's Income Generation Through Sanitary Pads manufacturing units	Women Empowerment	106.6	2023	BADLO RE , Delhi
33	Fin. Asstt. For construction of Toilet Blocks for Science Innovation and Activity Centre	Healthcare	15	2023	DevrukhShikshanPrasarak Mandal, Ratnagiri District
34	Fin. Asstt for purchase of Gymnasium equipment of nearby Grampanchyatof RCF Thal unit.	Healthcare	16.45	2023	RCFL
35	Fin. Asstt for purchase of modular toilet blocks for Fisherman Societies, local schools nearby RCF Thal unit.	Rural Development	34.84	2023	RCFL
36	Fin. support for purchase of Gym Equipment for gymnasium for senior citizens	Healthcare	15	2023	KridaBhuvan, Alibag
37	Fin asstt to purchase of Medical equipment to Rajawadi Hospital	Healthcare	19	2023	Rotary Club
38	Purchase of Agriculture Spray Drones under PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme to Distribute SHGs of all over India	Promotion of Skill Development and Livelihood	246.7	2023	RCF
39	Implementation of Swachha Bharath Abhiyan at District Civil Hospital, Alibaug	Healthcare	10	2023	Surabhi Swayansevi Sanstha
40	Financial Asstt for construction of school at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School, Alampadi, Tamilnadu	Education	15	2023	Sree Krishna Educational Trust

CSR PROGRAMS – THRUST AREAS

SN	Name of the Project	Thrust area	Promotion of Healthcare	Promoting Education	Ensuring environmental sustainability	Making available safe drinking water	Livelihood enhancement	Inclusive India- reduce inequalities
1	Medical Equipment to Shatabdi Hospital	Healthcare						
2	Mid-day-Meal to school	Healthcare						
3	Dustbins to Slums and residential societies	Healthcare						
4	Supply of Water to Village in Raigad Districts	Healthcare						
5	Equipment to Primary Healthcare centres	Healthcare						
6	Mobile Medical Van AtThal&Trombay	Healthcare						
7	Fin Asstt for construction of Toilet blocks in the wellness and culture centre at Jalna	Healthcare						
8	Fin Asstt for installation of Water coolers in School, Shegaon	Healthcare						
9	Repair of Savitribai Phule School, Chembur	Education						
10	Construction of Roads nearby RCF Thal Unit	Rural Development						
11	Scholarship to SC/ST students _Thal villages	Education						
12	Supply of Saplings, seeds to farmers	Rural Development						
13	Fin Asstt for purchase of 20 Computer to Anjuman Islam Janjira School, Mhasala	Education						
14	Nutrition & Patients welfare Centre	Healthcare						
15	Lifesaving Medical aid to 50 patients	Healthcare						
16	Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur	Healthcare						
17	Installation of Community Fitness Centres	Healthcare						
18	Women Power – ‘Strengthening Self Help Groups and uplifting women and girls through entrepreneurship for social impact	Women Empowerment						

SN	Name of the Project	Thrust area	Promotion of Healthcare	Promoting Education	Ensuring environmental	Making available safe drinking	Livelihood enhancement	Inclusive India- reduce inequalities
19	Fin. Asstt. for Project for educational empowerment of SC/ST students.	Education						
20	Fin. Asstt. for providing general OPD and free medicines to patients visiting Sushrut hospital, Chembur	Healthcare						
21	Fin. Asstt. for organize "Promotion of prevention of cancer" program in schools at Kharghar, Mumbai	Healthcare						
22	Fin. Asstt. Vocational/Skill Training cum livelihood project for the disabled	Skill Development and Livelihood						
23	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of new Audio system for school	Education						
24	Fin. Asstt. for installation of Solar system in the Collage Building	Sustainable Development						
25	Fin. Asstt. for distributions of educational material to students nearby Chembur	Education						
26	Fin. Asstt. for arrangement of Medical camp nearby Chembur	Healthcare						
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36	Fin. support for purchase of Gym Equipment for gymnasium for senior citizens	Healthcare						
37	Fin asstt to purchase of Medical equipment to Rajawadi Hospital	Healthcare						
38	Purchase of Agriculture Spray Drones under PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme to Distribute SHGs of all over India	Promotion of Skill Development and Livelihood						
39	Implementation of Swachha Bharath Abhiyan at District Civil Hospital, Alibaug	Healthcare						
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The project wise analysis on various parameters is detailed as below:

1. Impact Assessment Report - Medical Equipment to Shatabdi Hospital, Govandi, Mumbai

Project Name: Medical Equipment to Shatabdi Hospital

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 17.01 lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 5000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing Agency: RCFL |

Brief Description:

RCF (Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Ltd.) procured medical equipment for Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya Shatabdi Hospital in Govandi, Mumbai. The procurement and providing 4 Cautery Machines aims to enhance healthcare services for the local community by providing essential medical tools and infrastructure.

Healthcare remains one of the most critical pillars for the development and well-being of a community, particularly in rural India. Access to quality healthcare is often limited in these areas due to a shortage of medical facilities, equipment, and trained staff. Rural populations face significant health challenges, including a higher burden of communicable diseases, maternal and child health issues, and non-communicable diseases, compounded by a lack of healthcare infrastructure.

By focusing on the promotion of healthcare, projects like this aim to bridge the gap between healthcare needs and available resources. Equipping hospitals with the necessary medical tools is essential for improving the overall health outcomes of rural and underserved populations. This thematic area supports achieving SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being) by ensuring access to essential healthcare services, promoting universal health coverage, and reducing mortality rates.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project is highly relevant to the healthcare needs of the local community. Govandi, while part of Mumbai, has pockets with lower access to quality healthcare, similar to rural areas. The equipment provided, Cautery Machine is often used during surgery to remove unwanted of harmful tissue. It can also be used to burn and thus seal blood

vessels. This helps reduce or stop bleeding during surgery or after an injury improves the hospital's ability to serve patients, especially those in urgent need of specialized treatments. The project aligns with SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), as it strengthens the health system in a high-demand region.

Efficiency

The procurement process for the medical equipment was completed in a timely and cost-efficient manner and 4 Cautery Machines received and Machines are installed & all 4 are in working condition. The funds were utilized to provide critical medical tools, which are now fully operational. The hospital staff has been trained to use the equipment, ensuring optimal utilization.

Effectiveness

The project has effectively improved the hospital's capacity to provide critical healthcare services. Patients from low-income groups who depend on the public healthcare system are benefiting the most. However, effectiveness could be further enhanced with complementary infrastructure support, such as maintenance facilities for the new equipment.

Sustainability

The project is sustainable in the short to medium term, as the hospital management has integrated the new equipment into their day-to-day operations. However, for long-term sustainability, there needs to be a structured plan for regular servicing and upgrading of the equipment. The project contributes to SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure) by improving healthcare infrastructure.

Impact

The immediate impact of the project is the increased ability of the hospital to serve more patients and provide better care. The medical equipment has particularly benefited low-income and vulnerable populations who otherwise might not have access to such facilities. The project has significantly improved health outcomes in the region.

Alignment with SDG Goals

- SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being):
- The project directly contributes to improving health and well-being by enhancing the hospital's capacity to diagnose and treat patients effectively.
- SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure):
- By upgrading the hospital's infrastructure, the project also supports innovation in healthcare and contributes to strengthening the public health system.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings:

Hospital staff and Dr. Jayant Chilkund MBBS , M D , FICOG Senior Medical officer B M C Shatabdi Hospital at Govandi Mumbai expressed that the new equipment has allowed them to handle increased patient loads more efficiently and is contributing to faster treatment and better health outcomes.

All Beneficiaries are nearby Chembur, Mankhurd, Navi Mumbai, Community members reported a noticeable improvement in healthcare services since the installation of the new equipment.

Healthcare providers have highlighted improved accuracy in treatment and patient management capabilities.

Recommendations

- Establish a Maintenance Support Plan: RCFL should collaborate with the hospital to establish a technical support and maintenance plan to ensure the equipment remains functional in the long run.
- Allocate a Budget for Regular Upkeep: Both the hospital and RCFL should consider allocating a dedicated budget for the regular upkeep and eventual upgrading of the medical equipment.

The project demonstrated significant benefits, particularly in improving healthcare outcomes in the Govandi area.

2. Impact Assessment Report Mid-day-Meal to school to school in Mumbai

Project: Mid-Day Meal to Schools

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 83.64 lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 2806 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing Partner: Annamrit Foundation |

Brief Description:

The promotion of healthcare, especially through nutritional interventions, is essential in addressing the widespread issue of malnutrition in rural and underserved urban areas of India. Malnutrition affects cognitive development, educational outcomes, and overall health, especially in children. Mid-Day Meal (MDM) schemes directly address the challenge of malnutrition by providing nutritious meals to schoolchildren, encouraging

regular school attendance, improving concentration in studies, and contributing to better health outcomes.

In rural India, where economic challenges are more acute, mid-day meal programs play a vital role in supplementing children's nutritional needs.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Mid-Day Meal project addresses a critical need for nutrition among schoolchildren in Mumbai's Trombay area, id-day-Meal to schools Students 1) Jawahar School, Chembur 2) Janta Welfare English School, Chembur& 3) Chembur Welfare School Chembur where many families struggle to provide regular, nutritious meals. By supplying meals to 2,800 students in 29 unaided schools, the project ensures that children from economically weaker sections receive daily sustenance, which is crucial for their health and learning. This initiative is highly relevant, as it aligns with both the Right to Education Act and the National Nutrition Mission.

Efficiency

The project was efficiently rolled out by the Annamrit Foundation with support from RCFL. Meals are prepared and distributed on time, ensuring that students receive fresh, hygienic food daily. However, there were occasional logistical issues, such as delays in food delivery due to traffic or weather conditions, which caused some disruption.

Effectiveness

The Mid-Day Meal program has been effective in achieving its primary goal of improving nutrition among schoolchildren. Teachers have observed better concentration and participation in the classroom, which can be attributed to regular meal intake. This has indirectly led to better academic performance.

Sustainability

The project is sustainable in the short term, as funding has been secured for the initial phase, and operational structures are in place. However, long-term sustainability may require continued financial support and collaboration between RCFL and local governments to ensure uninterrupted service.

Impact

The impact of the Mid-Day Meal project is substantial, both in terms of improving children's health and supporting their educational growth. Children are now more

regular in their school attendance, and their overall health and academic performance have improved due to regular nutritional intake.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This aligns with Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2: Zero Hunger, SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, and SDG 4: Quality Education.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Students: Sunil student of class IV, and many students expressed that the mid-day meal is often their most substantial meal of the day. They reported feeling more energetic and focused during school hours.

Parents: Parents were grateful for the project as it eased their financial burden and ensured their children were receiving nutritious meals.

School Authorities: Mr.Goraksh Gambhure, Mrs. Abrira Dasgupta Supervisor and Teachers reported improved student attendance, better classroom behavior, and more attentive learners since the program began.

Teachers: Most teachers reported that meals were delivered on schedule and noted improvements in student performance post-lunch. However, some minor delays were reported, particularly during the rainy season.

Recommendations

- **Develop a Contingency Plan for Weather Disruptions:** To avoid meal delivery delays during bad weather, RCFL and the Annamrit Foundation should create contingency plans, such as pre-preparing dry meal packs or identifying alternative delivery routes.
- **Increase Community Engagement and Awareness:** Organize awareness sessions for parents to educate them about the nutritional value of the mid-day meals and the broader benefits of regular attendance in school.
- **Implement Nutritional Monitoring:** Introduce a nutritional monitoring system to track students' health improvements over time. This could involve regular health checkups to measure height, weight, and overall physical development, which would demonstrate the tangible benefits of the mid-day meals.

The Mid-Day Meal program in Trombay, funded by RCFL, has been instrumental in addressing the nutritional needs of 2,800 students across 29 unaided schools. The program has proven to be relevant, effective, and impactful in promoting better health and improving school attendance.

3. Impact Assessment Report for the project of Dustbins to Slums and Residential Societies

Project: Dustbins to Slums and Residential Societies

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 10.4 lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 500 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing Agency: RCFL |

Brief Description:

The Promotion of Healthcare through sanitation and waste management is critical in addressing hygiene-related issues in both urban and rural communities. The lack of proper waste disposal systems in densely populated areas, especially slums and underdeveloped residential areas, poses significant public health risks, including the spread of diseases such as cholera, dengue, and typhoid. The Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, an initiative aimed at promoting cleanliness across India, plays a pivotal role in improving sanitation, ensuring waste segregation, and enhancing overall public health.

In rural areas, proper waste management is often underdeveloped, resulting in open dumping and unsanitary living conditions. Implementing projects like dustbin distribution ensures that both urban and rural communities can benefit from improved hygiene and better public health outcomes. This project aligns with Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 3: Good Health and Well-being and SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The provision of dustbins to slums and residential societies in Mumbai is highly relevant as these areas often suffer from inadequate waste management infrastructure. The project supports the goals of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, aiming to reduce open dumping and promote proper waste disposal, which is crucial for improving sanitation and public health in high-density areas.

Efficiency

The project has been efficiently implemented with the distribution of dustbins to the designated areas on schedule. However, some challenges were noted in terms of regular waste collection by local authorities, which reduced the overall effectiveness of the project.

Effectiveness

The project has been effective in promoting cleanliness and improving waste disposal practices in the targeted areas. Residents have become more aware of the importance of proper waste segregation and disposal, and the overall sanitation of the areas has improved.

Impact

The project has had a positive impact on public health and sanitation in the areas where the dustbins were distributed. Cleaner environments have been associated with fewer health complaints, and residents have become more conscious of cleanliness. However, the full impact of the project will depend on ongoing community involvement and waste collection efficiency.

Sustainability

The sustainability of the project depends on the continued maintenance and regular collection of waste. While the provision of dustbins is a positive step, ensuring consistent waste disposal services and raising community awareness on hygiene practices will be crucial for the long-term impact of the project.

Identified Gaps

- **Inconsistent Waste Collection:** While dustbins were provided, there were instances of irregular waste collection, leading to overflowing bins in some areas.

Alignment with SDG Goals

By providing dustbins, the project has encouraged better waste disposal practices and cleaner surroundings, contributing to SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being and SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation

Beneficiary Interaction Findings:

Residents of Slum Areas: Residents welcomed the initiative, stating that having designated dustbins has reduced the amount of waste scattered around, resulting in cleaner surroundings and fewer incidences of foul odors and pests and the local Community Leaders mentioned that the project has led to more organized waste collection and helped in raising awareness about cleanliness in the community.

Residents of Residential Societies: They noted a visible reduction in littering in their neighborhoods. Some also mentioned that the availability of dustbins made it easier to dispose of household waste, improving their living environment.

Recommendations

- **Coordinate Regular Waste Collection:** Collaborate with local waste management authorities to ensure timely and consistent waste collection, particularly in high-density areas like slums.
- **Introduce Awareness Campaigns on Waste Segregation:** Implement educational programs to encourage residents to segregate waste at the source. This could involve training workshops or distributing informational materials on recycling and proper waste management practices.
- **Expand the Initiative to Include Recycling Programs:** As a follow-up to the dustbin distribution, introduce community-led recycling programs to further reduce waste and promote environmental sustainability.

The dustbin distribution project funded by RCFL under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan has made significant contributions to improving sanitation and public health in the slums and residential societies of Mumbai. For project's long-term success it is important that all stakeholders address the gaps such as irregular waste collection and the need for greater community awareness. With continued collaboration between RCFL, local authorities, and community members, the project can have a lasting impact on promoting cleaner, healthier living environments.

4. Impact assessment for the project Supply of Water to Village in Raigad Districts

1. Supply of Water to Village in Raigad District

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| • State: Maharashtra | District: Raigad |
| • Amount Spent: 217.36 Lakh | No of Beneficiaries 20000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementation Partner: RCF |

Importance of the Project

This project aims to provide a stable supply of safe drinking water to remote villages in Raigad district, impacting nearly 20,000 families. By ensuring access to clean water, the initiative addresses critical health needs, enhances the quality of life, and aligns with national and global priorities for rural development. The theme, "Promotion of Healthcare," covers initiatives aimed at enhancing the health and well-being of communities, with a particular focus on providing fundamental services like clean water, sanitation, and medical facilities. In rural India, access to clean drinking water is crucial

for promoting good health, as it helps prevent waterborne diseases, improves overall quality of life, and contributes to economic productivity. Safe drinking water is a foundational aspect of healthcare, especially in under-resourced areas where healthcare infrastructure may be limited.

By supplying clean drinking water to villages in Raigad District, the project directly addresses the health challenges faced by rural populations, providing a sustainable solution to water scarcity and poor water quality, both of which are major public health concerns.

Assessment on the REESI Model

Relevance

This project addresses the fundamental need for clean drinking water in rural areas, which is crucial for health, well-being, and quality of life. Given the scarcity of reliable water sources, the intervention is highly relevant to the community's needs.

Efficiency

The project was implemented with well-coordinated planning and infrastructure setup, ensuring a smooth, efficient rollout with minimal community disruption.

Effectiveness

The project has been effective in delivering its intended benefits. Villages now receive a consistent water supply, which has reduced health issues and improved daily convenience.

Sustainability

Local water committees and community involvement are positive steps toward sustainability, though there are areas where additional support and training are needed to strengthen long-term project maintenance.

Impact

The project's impact is substantial, benefiting approximately 20,000 families by reducing water-related health risks and enhancing daily life. Access to clean water has allowed families more time and resources for other productive activities.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- **SDG Goal 6: Clean Water and Sanitation** – By providing sustainable access to safe drinking water, the project directly contributes to ensuring availability and sustainable management of water for all.
- **SDG Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being** – Access to clean water helps reduce health risks associated with waterborne diseases, contributing to healthier communities.
- **SDG Goal 1: No Poverty** – By reducing time and effort spent on fetching water, families have more resources and opportunities for economic activities, supporting poverty alleviation.

Beneficiary Interaction

Beneficiary feedback underscores the project's positive impact:

- Villagers expressed relief and appreciation for the reliable water supply, which has reduced the physical and time burden of collecting water from distant sources.
- Many families reported improvements in health due to access to safe drinking water, with a noted decrease in waterborne diseases.
- Several villagers shared how the project has freed up time for productive activities, with women, in particular, benefiting from reduced water-fetching duties, allowing them to engage in income-generating tasks.
- Community members voiced eagerness to participate in sustaining the project, although some expressed concerns about the affordability of ongoing maintenance costs.

Recommendations

- **Awareness Programs:** Conduct periodic sessions to educate the community on water conservation and hygiene practices, furthering the impact of the water supply project.

The "Supply of Water to Villages in Raigad" project has significantly improved access to clean drinking water, resulting in better health, enhanced productivity, and overall quality of life for rural residents. Addressing the identified gaps can further enhance the project's sustainability and resilience, ensuring that it continues to serve the community effectively while aligning with SDG goals.

Success Story

Empowering Rural Lives with Clean Water in Raigad

Ramu, a resident of a small village in Raigad, recalls the challenges his family faced, walking over two kilometers to fetch water from a nearby river. Since the implementation of the water supply project, his family enjoys a convenient, safe water supply at their doorstep. With better access to clean water, Ramu's children are healthier, and his wife can now spend time on income-generating activities rather than collecting water. This project has not only improved their health but also empowered Ramu's family to pursue a more fulfilling, productive life, exemplifying the transformative potential of clean water access in rural India.

5. Impact Assessment -Providing Medical Equipment to Primary Healthcare Centres

Name of the Project: Equipment to Primary Healthcare Centres

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Raigad |
| • Amount Spent: 5.56 Lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 500 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing Agency RCF |

Project Brief: RCF has provided medical equipment to 9 sub-centres of the Primary Healthcare Centre (PHC) in Dhokawade, Taluka Alibag, District Raigad. These sub-centres offer free medical services to the local population about 500- 800 patients per month, addressing their healthcare needs.

Brief Description:

Healthcare access in rural India remains a significant challenge due to a lack of infrastructure and resources. Under the thematic area of Promotion of Healthcare, this project provides critical medical equipment to sub-centres serving rural populations. Access to medical equipment is vital for primary healthcare centres (PHCs), as they are the first point of contact for medical services in rural areas.

PHCs play a critical role in delivering essential healthcare services to rural communities. Equipped with the necessary medical tools, they are able to diagnose and treat common ailments, monitor maternal and child health, and provide preventive healthcare services. This project supports SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-Being), which aims to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages, by improving healthcare delivery to underserved populations in the Raigad district.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

1. Relevance

This project is highly relevant, as it focuses on improving access to healthcare services for rural populations. Equipping the 9 sub-centers with essential medical tools ensures that they can provide timely and effective medical care to locals. Full funds utilized and provide Medical equipment's', furniture, Beds, Medical equipment's& Medicine kits to doctors which required every day while working in PHC. The project is aligned with India's National Health Mission, which seeks to strengthen healthcare infrastructure in rural areas.

2. Efficiency

The project has been efficiently implemented, with RCF providing the necessary equipment in a timely manner. The medical equipment has been well-integrated into the daily operations of the sub-centres, enhancing their capacity to serve patients. However, there is a need for regular maintenance to ensure that the equipment remains functional over time.

3. Effectiveness

The effectiveness of the project is evident from the improved healthcare services provided by the sub-centres. With the new equipment, healthcare workers are better equipped to diagnose and treat patients, particularly in maternal and child healthcare, which has seen marked improvements. The availability of medical tools has also reduced the need for referrals to larger hospitals, ensuring faster treatment for common conditions.

4. Sustainability

While the equipment provided is of high utility, the sustainability of the project depends on regular maintenance and the availability of trained healthcare workers to operate the equipment effectively. RCF could collaborate with local healthcare authorities to ensure that a system for maintaining and repairing the equipment is in place.

5. Impact

The impact of the project is significant, as it has improved the overall healthcare services in the region. The provision of medical equipment has enhanced the diagnostic capabilities of the sub-centres, leading to better health outcomes for the local population. Furthermore, the project supports SDG 3 by contributing to the reduction of maternal and infant mortality rates and improving access to primary healthcare services.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Discussions with healthcare workers and patients revealed that the new equipment has enabled the sub-centres to enhance their services, especially in diagnosing illnesses

and conducting routine check-ups. Local villagers expressed satisfaction with the improved healthcare services, highlighting the importance of timely medical assistance in remote areas.

Dr Supriya Desmukh Incharge PHC Dhokeade Thal Alibag, Dr Juhi Thakur PHC Dhokwade, "the new equipment has enabled the sub-centres to deliver better services of healthcare."

Alignment with SDG Goals

The project aligns with SDG 3 and contributes to better health outcomes, particularly in maternal and child health

Recommendations

- Develop a Maintenance Plan: RCF should work with local healthcare authorities to establish a routine maintenance plan for the equipment, ensuring its longevity and functionality.

The provision of medical equipment to the Primary Healthcare Centres in Raigad district has significantly improved healthcare services in rural areas, benefiting thousands of local residents. By addressing the identified gaps and ensuring the long-term sustainability of the equipment, RCF can enhance the impact of this project, ensuring continued healthcare improvement in these underserved communities.

6. Impact Assessment for project of Mobile Medical Van at Thal & Trombay

Name of the Project: Mobile Medical Van at Thal & Trombay

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 97.34 Lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 50000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner : Wockhardt Foundation |

Project Brief: RCF has partnered with Wockhardt Foundation to provide free primary healthcare services through Mobile Medical Vans (MMVs) in Trombay and Thal unit slums, assisting approximately 50,000 patients annually.

Brief Description:

The Promotion of Healthcare in rural and underprivileged urban communities is essential for enhancing public health outcomes, particularly in areas where access to healthcare services is limited. The mobile medical van project addresses critical gaps in

healthcare accessibility by delivering essential health services directly to communities. This is aligned with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goal 3 (SDG 3), which aims to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

In rural and semi-urban regions like Raigad and the slums of Trombay, access to healthcare facilities is often limited by distance, poverty, and lack of transportation. Mobile Medical Vans provide an effective solution, bringing healthcare services directly to the population's doorstep. This project is especially impactful in serving marginalized communities that otherwise have limited access to basic healthcare.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

1. Relevance

The Mobile Medical Van project is highly relevant to the healthcare needs of both the Trombay and Thal regions. By targeting slum areas and underserved communities, the initiative addresses a critical gap in primary healthcare services. RCF has partnered with Wockhardt Foundation to provide free primary health care through Mobile Medical Vans in Thal Unit slums, assisting approximately 50,000 patients annually.

Free medical checkup, free treatment, and free Medical provided to patients to their own village & it is directly economically support to villages who take services of this Mobile Medical Van services. The

Doctors are also available at site during the Services available at service point.

The project aligns with the Indian government's Ayushman Bharat mission, which aims to provide affordable and accessible healthcare for all, particularly in rural and underdeveloped regions.

2. Efficiency

The partnership between RCF and Wockhardt Foundation has resulted in the efficient deployment of two Mobile Medical Vans, covering a large population in the slums of Trombay and Thal. The vans are equipped with essential diagnostic tools, medicines, and trained healthcare personnel. The operational model allows for quick service delivery, with approximately 250,000 patients receiving primary care annually. However, there is a need for better scheduling and communication with the communities to ensure that patients are aware of the vans' presence.

3. Effectiveness

The project has been highly effective in delivering essential healthcare services to the target population. The vans provide diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up services for common health issues, while also conducting health awareness and preventive care programs. The initiative has helped in reducing the strain on local healthcare centers by

treating manageable cases at the community level. Furthermore, the medical vans have played a significant role in maternal and child health by providing prenatal and postnatal care.

4. Sustainability

Sustainability is a challenge in mobile healthcare services due to the continuous need for funding and resources. While the project is effectively addressing current healthcare needs, its long-term impact depends on continued financial support from RCF and partnerships with local health authorities. Moreover, regular maintenance of the vans and timely replenishment of medical supplies are essential to ensure uninterrupted service. Capacity building of local healthcare workers to eventually take over some services could enhance sustainability.

5. Impact

The impact of the Mobile Medical Van project has been profound. By serving approximately 250,000 patients annually, the vans have contributed to significant health improvements in the target areas. The project has resulted in reduced morbidity rates for common illnesses, better maternal and child health outcomes, and increased awareness of preventive healthcare. Furthermore, the project aligns with SDG 3 by improving healthcare accessibility and contributing to the overall well-being of underserved communities.

Alignment with SDG Goals

Project aligns with SDG 3 by improving healthcare accessibility and contributing to the overall well-being of underserved communities.

Beneficiary Interaction:

Patients from both Trombay and Thal slums expressed great satisfaction with the mobile van services. They highlighted the convenience of receiving healthcare at their doorstep, noting that it saved them the effort and cost of traveling long distances to health centers. Healthcare workers also emphasized the significance of the vans in providing timely medical attention, especially for common illnesses and preventive care.

Recommendations

- **Improve Awareness Campaigns:** Introduce community awareness programs and an SMS-based alert system to inform residents about the schedule and availability of the mobile vans. This could help in increasing the reach and impact of the services.

- **Ensure Regular Maintenance:** Implement a strict maintenance schedule for the vans and medical equipment to ensure that they remain operational at all times. Consider having backup vans or alternative service models in case of breakdowns.
- **Emphasize Preventive Health Education:** The mobile vans should include more robust health education programs, with a focus on preventive care, sanitation, and nutrition, helping reduce the long-term healthcare burden.

The Mobile Medical Van project implemented by RCF in partnership with Wockhardt Foundation has had a significant positive impact on the healthcare outcomes of slum communities in Trombay and Thal. The project has effectively addressed primary healthcare needs for approximately 50,000 patients annually, enhancing access to medical services in underserved areas.

7. Impact Assessment for Financial Assistance for Construction of Toilet Blocks in Wellness and Culture Centre at Jalna

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Construction of Toilet Blocks in Wellness and Culture Centre at Jalna

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Jalna |
| • Amount Spent: 10 Lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 500 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner : RCF |

Project Brief: RCF has provided financial assistance for the construction of toilet blocks in the wellness and culture centre, located in a school building in Jalna, Maharashtra. This initiative aims to improve sanitation and hygiene standards in the school and the surrounding community.

Brief Description:

Improving sanitation and hygiene is a critical component of the Promotion of Healthcare, especially in rural and semi-urban regions of India. Poor sanitation and hygiene practices often lead to a range of health issues, including waterborne diseases, particularly in school environments. The provision of adequate toilet facilities is essential to improving public health outcomes, reducing school absenteeism, and ensuring a safe and hygienic learning environment. In rural areas such as Jalna, access to proper sanitation facilities remains limited. The construction of toilet blocks in schools not only ensures that students, especially girls, have access to clean and safe sanitation but also fosters a culture of hygiene and cleanliness in the broader community. This project

contributes to improving overall health and promoting dignity, especially for girls and women, who often face barriers in accessing safe sanitation.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

1. Relevance

The construction of toilet blocks is highly relevant to the community's needs, particularly in a school setting where students often lack access to safe and hygienic sanitation. The project aligns with both national sanitation initiatives such as the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and global objectives like SDG 6, which focuses on improving water and sanitation. The presence of well-maintained toilet facilities also helps promote better health, reduce absenteeism, and create a conducive learning environment.

2. Efficiency

The project was executed efficiently, with the construction of well-designed toilet blocks that cater to the specific needs of students. The toilet blocks are gender-segregated and include provisions for hand washing, which ensures a hygienic environment. However, a need for better waste disposal mechanisms and regular cleaning schedules was noted during beneficiary interactions. The funding provided was appropriately utilized, and the project was completed within the stipulated time frame.

3. Effectiveness

The project has been highly effective in improving sanitation in the school and community. It has led to increased attendance, particularly among female students, who now feel more comfortable attending school regularly. Additionally, the availability of hand washing facilities has improved hygiene practices among students. However, the project's effectiveness could be further enhanced by integrating regular health and sanitation awareness programs in the school curriculum.

4. Sustainability

The sustainability of the project largely depends on the regular maintenance and cleanliness of the toilet blocks. While the construction of the toilet blocks addresses immediate sanitation needs, the long-term sustainability of the project will require a continuous commitment from the school authorities and local government to maintain and clean the facilities. Additionally, promoting hygiene awareness through the school system will ensure that the facilities are used effectively and maintained over time.

5. Impact

The impact of the project on the students and the local community has been significant. The newly constructed toilet blocks have contributed to better health and hygiene,

leading to reduced incidences of waterborne diseases and other hygiene-related health issues. The project also supports SDG 6, contributing to the goal of providing access to adequate and equitable sanitation for all. The increased attendance, especially among female students, reflects the project's positive impact on education, health, and overall well-being in the community.

Alignment with SDG Goals

The project also supports SDG 6, contributing to the goal of providing access to adequate and equitable sanitation for all

Beneficiary Interaction:

School students, especially girls, expressed relief and satisfaction with the newly constructed toilet facilities. Before the project, many students hesitated to attend school during certain times due to the lack of proper sanitation, leading to higher dropout rates. The parents and teachers also highlighted the importance of clean, safe toilets in reducing health issues and absenteeism.

Recommendations

- Introduce Waste Disposal Mechanisms: Install sanitary napkin disposal units and other waste management systems in the toilet blocks to ensure proper waste disposal and maintain hygiene standards.

The Financial Assistance for the Construction of Toilet Blocks at the Wellness and Culture Centre in Jalna has made a substantial contribution to improving the sanitation and hygiene standards in the school and community. While the project has been effective in promoting better health and reducing absenteeism, addressing the identified gaps—such as waste disposal, maintenance, and hygiene education—will be crucial for ensuring long-term sustainability. By continuing to support sanitation initiatives like this, RCF can play a pivotal role in improving public health and well-being in rural India.

8. Impact Assessment for the Installation of Water Coolers in Schools, Shegaon

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Installation of Water Coolers in School

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Shegaon |
| • Amount Spent: 1 lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 500 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner :RCF |

Brief about the Project: RCF has provided financial assistance to purchase and install water coolers in a school in Shegaon, ensuring students have access to safe drinking water to enhance their health and learning environment.

Brief Description

In rural India, access to healthcare services is often limited, which poses significant health challenges, especially for children. The "Promotion of Healthcare" thematic area is crucial for enhancing health outcomes, particularly in educational settings. Clean drinking water is essential for preventing waterborne diseases, reducing absenteeism, and promoting overall well-being among students. By providing water coolers in schools, RCFL aims to create a healthier learning environment that improves educational outcomes and fosters community health. Ensuring access to safe drinking water is a foundational step toward achieving broader health and education goals in rural areas.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project effectively addresses the critical need for clean drinking water in schools, directly supporting SDG 3. Access to safe water is vital for reducing health risks and fostering a conducive learning environment for students.

Efficiency

The project was implemented efficiently, with funds allocated appropriately for the procurement and installation of water coolers. The timely completion of the project maximized the resources provided by RCF.

Effectiveness

The project is effective in its implementation and the desired impact of providing safe drinking water is quite evident.

Sustainability

While the school administration has committed to maintaining the water coolers, the lack of formal training on maintenance poses a risk to long-term sustainability. Ensuring that staff can properly care for the equipment is crucial for its ongoing functionality.

Impact

The broader impact includes improved health outcomes for students, increased attendance, and enhanced academic performance. The project has also raised

awareness about the importance of hydration and health practices within the community, fostering a culture of wellness.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This initiative aligns directly with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3: Good Health and Well-being, which aims to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all.

Inputs Gathered from Beneficiaries

Crux team discussed with the stakeholders and interviews with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

Feedback from beneficiaries indicates that the installation of water coolers has significantly improved access to clean drinking water. Students report feeling more energized and focused in class, contributing to a more effective learning environment. Teachers noted a decrease in waterborne illnesses, leading to improved attendance rates.

One student was very happy and said, "I feel less tired now that I can drink cold water during breaks," and "It's nice to have clean water at school. I used to worry about getting sick from the tap water."

Educators reported noticeable improvements in student concentration and participation during lessons. One teacher remarked, "Since the coolers were installed, I've seen fewer students missing school due to stomach issues. It has made a real difference in their ability to focus." The Parents too expressed appreciation for the initiative, noting that access to clean water alleviates their concerns about their children's health. A parent stated, "I feel more confident sending my child to school knowing they have safe water to drink."

The installation of water coolers in schools in Shegaon has positively impacted student health and educational performance, the project has made significant strides, and focusing on maintenance training, community education, RCF, enhance healthcare initiatives across rural India, paving the way for healthier future generations.

9. Impact Assessment for the project Repair of Savitribai Phule School, Chembur

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Repair of Savitribai Phule School

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

- State: Maharashtra District: Mumbai

- Amount Spent: 12.87 lakh No of beneficiaries :300
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing Partner RCF

Brief about the Project: RCF undertook essential repairs of the school building Repairing Rahul Nagar School Chembur Mumbai through its Civil Department. The project focused on creating a safer and more conducive environment for students, ensuring they can engage in their education without distractions or safety concerns

Brief Description:

Education is a cornerstone for personal and community development, particularly in urban areas where infrastructure can significantly impact learning outcomes. The "Promotion of Education" thematic area focuses on enhancing educational facilities and ensuring that students have access to safe and conducive learning environments. This initiative aligns with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4: Quality Education, which aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

The repair of Savitribai Phule School in Chembur, Mumbai, addresses critical infrastructural needs, providing students with a safe and supportive space to learn. By enhancing the physical environment, we aim to improve educational outcomes and foster a more positive learning experience for all students.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project addresses urgent infrastructural needs within the school, directly supporting SDG 4 by providing a safe and effective learning environment. The deteriorating condition of school buildings can hinder educational outcomes, making this initiative particularly relevant for the community.

Efficiency

The project was executed efficiently, with RCF's Civil Department managing the repairs effectively. Resources were allocated judiciously, ensuring that the funds were used directly for necessary repairs, and the project was completed on schedule.

Effectiveness

The repairs made have had a noticeable impact on the school environment. Feedback from students and teachers indicates that the improved facilities have led to increased attendance and engagement. Teachers reported that students are now more focused, and there have been fewer disruptions due to infrastructural issues.

Sustainability

For the sustainability of the project, ongoing maintenance will be essential. While the immediate repairs have created a safer environment, the school administration must develop a maintenance plan to ensure that the facilities remain in good condition over time.

Impact

The overall impact includes improved student morale, increased attendance rates, and enhanced learning outcomes. The project has also contributed to a greater sense of pride within the community, fostering a more positive perception of educational opportunities in the area.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This initiative aligns with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4: Quality Education, which aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Crux team conducted interviews and discussions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

Students: Many students expressed excitement about the improvements, noting that the newly repaired classrooms are more comfortable and inviting. One student remarked, "It feels great to learn in a clean and nice classroom. I want to come to school every day now!"

Teachers: Educators observed a positive change in student behavior and engagement since the repairs were completed. A teacher noted, "The improvements have made a huge difference. Students are more attentive, and the learning environment is much more pleasant."

Parents: Parents expressed satisfaction with the repairs, emphasizing their importance for their children's education. One parent shared, "I feel more confident sending my child to a school that looks safe and well-maintained."

Community Members: Community discussions revealed a renewed interest in the school, with many expressing hope for increased enrollment due to the improvements. A community member stated, "A better school environment will encourage more families to send their kids here."

Recommendations

- **Develop an Ongoing Maintenance Plan:** Create a comprehensive maintenance schedule involving school staff and local community members, thus ensuring the school facilities remain in good condition and are responsive to future needs.

The repair of Savitribai Phule School in Chembur has significantly improved the learning environment, aligning with the objectives of SDG 4. While the project has made substantial progress, addressing the identified gaps through targeted recommendations will be crucial for ensuring sustainability and expanding the initiative's benefits.

10. Impact Assessment Report for the Project: Construction of Roads nearby RCF Thal Unit

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Construction of Roads nearby RCF Thal Unit

Thematic Area: Promotion of Rural Development

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Raigad |
| • Amount Spent: 98.56 lakh | No of Beneficiaries :2000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner : RCF |

Brief about the Project: RCF has repaired and constructed local roads, specifically on ThalNavagaon Road, Boris Gunjis, and from Chondhi Naka to Kihim bus stand. This initiative aims to enhance transportation access for villagers, improving connectivity to essential services and economic opportunities.

Brief Description:

The Promotion of Rural Development is crucial for advancing socio-economic growth in rural India. Inadequate infrastructure, especially in transportation, severely limits access to essential services such as healthcare, education, and markets. Improving road connectivity is vital for overcoming these barriers, enabling better access to resources and opportunities for rural communities.

In rural settings, road infrastructure significantly impacts:

- **Economic Development:** Enhanced access to markets allows farmers and local businesses to sell their products more efficiently, stimulating local economies.
- **Social Inclusion:** Improved roads provide marginalized communities with access to vital services, contributing to reduced inequalities.
- **Community Cohesion:** Well-connected villages promote interaction among residents, strengthening social ties and community participation.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project is highly relevant to community needs, addressing critical concerns regarding road conditions that hinder access to markets, schools, and healthcare facilities. By focusing on road improvements about 4- 5 villages have got better access to road transport, RCF has directly responded to the community's needs, enhancing overall quality of life.

Efficiency

The project was executed efficiently, adhering to budgetary and timeline constraints. RCF demonstrated effective project management, ensuring that resources were allocated transparently. Utilizing local labor during construction not only reduced costs but also provided employment opportunities for residents.

Effectiveness

The project's effectiveness is established as it has improved transportation, villagers reported significant reductions in travel times, making access to markets and schools easier and local businesses experienced increased customer traffic, leading to higher sales .The improved road conditions have contributed to a decrease in accidents, fostering a safer environment for both pedestrians and drivers.

Sustainability

While the immediate benefits of the road construction are evident, sustainability remains a priority. A comprehensive maintenance plan is necessary to ensure that the roads remain in good condition over time. Involving local governance and community members in maintenance efforts can foster a sense of ownership and accountability.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant

Alignment with SDG Goals

- SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure: This goal emphasizes building resilient infrastructure.
- SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities: It focuses on making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Crux team's engagement with beneficiaries has provided valuable insights:

- One resident noted, “The new roads have made it much easier for us to reach essential services.”
- A shopkeeper commented, “More customers are coming now that the roads are better.”
- Improved road infrastructure has led to better access to education, healthcare, and economic opportunities, resulting in an improved quality of life for residents.
- Community Empowerment: The project has instilled a sense of pride and ownership among residents, contributing to increased social cohesion.
- Community Feedback: Regular meetings allowed for open discussions about community needs and expectations. Many villagers expressed gratitude for the new roads and emphasized the importance of ongoing maintenance. Mr Farid Maniyar taxi Driver Naugaon Thal ,profusely thanked RCFL and said it has helped a lot to save on his fuel cost,
- Residents proposed additional road links to connect more remote areas, reflecting a desire for continued development.

Recommendations

- Develop an Ongoing Maintenance Plan: Collaborate with local authorities to establish a regular maintenance schedule that includes inspections and repairs.
- Implement Community Awareness Programs: Organize workshops to educate residents about the importance of road maintenance and community involvement in preserving infrastructure.
- Explore Additional Connectivity Projects: Assess the need for further road construction to connect remote villages and enhance access to essential services.

The construction and repair of roads near the RCF Thal Unit have significantly improved the quality of life for residents in Raigad, Maharashtra. By focusing on the Promotion of Rural Development, RCF has effectively addressed critical infrastructure needs, the project has made substantial progress, addressing identified gaps through targeted recommendations will be essential for maximizing long-term benefits. Continued investment in infrastructure, combined with community engagement and education, can foster sustainable development and enhance the overall well-being of rural communities in India.

11. Impact Assessment for the Project, Scholarship to SC/ST Students in Thal Villages

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Scholarship to SC/ST Students in Thal Villages

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

- State: Maharashtra District: Raigad
- Amount Spent: 1.44 lakh No of beneficiaries: 24
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner : RCF

Brief about the Project: The project provides scholarships to SC/ST students from economically backward families in the vicinity of the Thal Unit. This support helps cover educational expenses, thereby enabling students to pursue their studies without financial strain by providing a scholarship of RS 6000 per student

Brief Description:

Education is a fundamental driver of socio-economic development, particularly in rural India, where access to quality education can significantly alter life trajectories. However, many marginalized communities, including Scheduled Castes (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST), often face barriers that limit their educational opportunities. Addressing these barriers is crucial for fostering social equity and economic mobility.

In rural areas, the promotion of education is essential for several reasons:

- **Empowerment:** Education equips individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to participate in the economy and advocate for their rights.
- **Economic Development:** An educated workforce can attract investment and drive local economic growth, contributing to poverty alleviation.
- **Social Inclusion:** By providing educational opportunities to marginalized groups, society can reduce inequalities and promote social cohesion.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Scholarship to SC/ST Students in Thal Villages project is designed to support economically disadvantaged students from SC/ST backgrounds. By providing scholarships, the project aims to alleviate financial barriers that hinder access to education, thereby fostering social equity and enhancing educational outcomes. This initiative not only promotes education but also empowers communities by investing in their future leaders. The project is highly relevant, as it addresses the specific needs of SC/ST students who often face economic hardships that limit their educational opportunities. By targeting these marginalized groups, the project aligns with the community's aspirations for improved education and upward mobility.

Efficiency

The project was implemented efficiently, with timely disbursement of funds to beneficiaries. The selection process for scholarships was transparent and involved local community leaders, ensuring that the most deserving students received support. The administrative costs were kept low, maximizing the funds allocated for scholarships.

Effectiveness

Increased Enrollment: Many students reported that the scholarship enabled them to enroll in schools and colleges that they otherwise could not afford and improved Academic Performance. With reduced financial worries, students have shown improved academic performance and attendance rates. Parents noted that their children are now more motivated to study.

Sustainability

The sustainability of the project hinges on continued funding and community involvement. Establishing a robust mechanism for ongoing support and awareness can ensure that future cohorts of SC/ST students benefit from similar opportunities. Local partnerships with educational institutions can enhance program reach and impact.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is substantial:

- **Empowerment of SC/ST Communities:** By supporting educational opportunities, the project has empowered SC/ST students and their families, fostering a culture of learning.
- **Reduction of Inequalities:** The scholarships contribute to reducing educational disparities, enabling more students from marginalized backgrounds to access quality education.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- **SDG 4: Quality Education:** Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education for all.
- **SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities:** Reduce inequality within and among countries by promoting opportunities for all.

Beneficiary Interaction

Crux research team has interacted with beneficiaries has yielded valuable insights:

Ku Shatakshi Suraj Koli, student stated, “The scholarship has relieved my family from financial stress, allowing me to focus on my studies

Many expressed gratitude for the support and highlighted the transformative impact of the scholarships on their lives.

Recommendations

- **Expand Scholarship Coverage:** Consider providing additional support for educational materials, transportation, and extracurricular activities to ensure holistic development.

The Scholarship to SC/ST Students in Thal Villages project has made a significant impact on the educational opportunities for economically disadvantaged students in Raigad, Maharashtra. By focusing on the Promotion of Education, the project addresses critical barriers faced by SC/ST communities addressing identified gaps through targeted recommendations will be essential for maximizing its long-term benefits.

12. Impact Assessment for the Project Supply of Saplings and Seeds to Farmers

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Supply of Saplings and Seeds to Farmers

Thematic Area: Promotion of Rural Development

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Raigad |
| • Amount Spent: 16.51 lakh | No of beneficiaries : 1000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner : RCF |

Brief about the Project: The project involves the distribution of paddy and fruit saplings, along with free fertilizers, to farmers in the Thal area, aimed at improving agricultural output and promoting sustainable farming practices.

Brief Description:

The Promotion of Rural Development is essential for enhancing the quality of life in rural India, where agriculture is a primary livelihood source for a significant portion of the population. Rural development initiatives that focus on improving agricultural practices directly contribute to food security, economic stability, and environmental sustainability.

In this context, the supply of saplings and seeds plays a critical role in:

- **Enhancing Agricultural Productivity:** Providing quality seeds and saplings can lead to higher crop yields, improving farmers' incomes.

- **Diversifying Livelihoods:** Introducing various crops through the distribution of diverse saplings helps farmers reduce dependency on a single crop, mitigating risks associated with market fluctuations and climate change.
- **Promoting Sustainable Practices:** Educating farmers about sustainable agricultural practices alongside providing resources can lead to environmentally friendly farming.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project is highly relevant to the needs of local farmers who often struggle with inadequate resources to improve their agricultural practices. By addressing the need for quality saplings and fertilizers, the project directly supports the aspirations of farmers for better yields and sustainable farming.

Efficiency

The implementation of the project was efficient and it is observed that by timely distribution, resources were provided promptly to farmers during the planting season, ensuring maximum impact.

Effectiveness

The project was effective as it **Increased Yields:** Farmers reported improved crop yields due to the quality of the saplings and fertilizers provided. **Diversification of Crops:** Many farmers used the supplied fruit saplings to diversify their cultivation, which has opened new markets for their products.

Sustainability

It is sustainable as there is achievement of economic Stability, Farmers' increased incomes contribute to local economic stability and resilience against market fluctuations.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is substantial as it has enhanced Food security and increased agricultural productivity contributes to improved food security for the community.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 1: No Poverty: End poverty in all its forms everywhere by improving livelihoods.
- SDG 2: Zero Hunger: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture.
- SDG 13: Climate Action: Promote resilience and adaptive capacities to climate-related hazards.

Beneficiary Interaction

Crux team interacted with various farmers who provided valuable insights:

One farmer noted, “The new saplings have given me better produce than I expected” and he thanked RCFL profusely

Farmers also stated that they were able to share their experiences and challenges, leading to improvements in future project planning.

Recommendations

- Expand Training Programs: Develop advanced training workshops on modern agricultural practices, pest management, and sustainable farming techniques to enhance farmers' skills.
- Implement Follow-Up Mechanisms: Establish a system for regular follow-ups to monitor the long-term effects of the project on agricultural practices and productivity.
- Enhance Market Access: Collaborate with local cooperatives or organizations to facilitate market access for farmers, ensuring they can sell their diversified products at fair prices.

The Supply of Saplings and Seeds to Farmers project has significantly contributed to promoting rural development in Raigad, Maharashtra. By focusing on enhancing agricultural practices, the project addresses critical needs and the project has made substantial progress, addressing identified gaps through targeted recommendations will be essential for maximizing its long-term benefits.

13. Impact Assessment for the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Computers for Anjuman Islam Janjira School

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Computers for Anjuman Islam Janjira School

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

- State: Maharashtra District: Raigad
- Amount Spent: 7.7 lakh No of beneficiaries 500
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner :Anjuman Islam Janjira

Brief about the Project: RCF provided financial assistance to Anjuman Islam Janjira School in Mhasala for the purchase of 20 computers, aimed at enhancing educational resources and improving students' technological skills.

Brief Description:

Education is a cornerstone for development, particularly in rural India, where access to quality educational resources significantly impacts students' learning outcomes. The Promotion of Education in rural areas not only helps bridge the educational gap but also empowers communities by equipping students with the skills necessary for the modern workforce.

- Investing in educational technology, such as computers, is crucial for several reasons:
- Access to Information: Computers enable students to access a wealth of information online, fostering research and learning.
- Skill Development: Familiarity with technology prepares students for future employment opportunities in an increasingly digital economy.
- Enhancing Teaching Methods: Incorporating technology into classrooms can improve teaching methodologies, making learning more engaging and effective.

The Financial Assistance for Purchase of Computers project at Anjuman Islam Janjira School in Mhasala aims to enhance the educational experience by providing access to technology. By equipping the school with 20 computers, the project addresses the critical need for digital literacy among students, thereby promoting educational equity and improving learning outcomes. This initiative is essential for preparing students for future challenges in an increasingly technology-driven world.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project is highly relevant as it addresses the urgent need for technological resources in rural education. Junior Collage 447 students Staff of Anjuman Islam School, Mhasala Dist Raigad are mainly beneficiaries and are provide computer Training under Guidance of expert I T Teachers. Junior Collage Students are mainly beneficiaries.. Many schools in rural areas lack adequate infrastructure, making this initiative vital for promoting digital literacy and improving overall educational quality.

Efficiency

The project was executed efficiently, and with Timely Purchase:, The funds were disbursed promptly, enabling the school to acquire the computers in a timely manner.

Effectiveness

The project was effective as it aid in, Improved Learning Environment as teachers reported that the availability of computers has made lessons more interactive and engaging and also Increased Student Engagement: Skill Development: The project has enabled students to develop essential computer skills, preparing them for future academic and career opportunities.

Sustainability

The sustainability of the project will depend on:

- Ongoing Maintenance and Support: Establishing a plan for the maintenance of the computers and providing technical support will be crucial for their longevity.
- Integration into Curriculum: Ensuring that the use of computers is integrated into the school curriculum can enhance their relevance and utility in students' education.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- Enhanced Educational Outcomes: Access to computers has improved students' learning experiences and outcomes, fostering a culture of innovation and curiosity.
- Empowerment of Students: By equipping students with digital skills, the project empowers them to compete in a technology-driven economy.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 4: Quality Education: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities: Reduce inequality within and among countries by ensuring education for all

Beneficiary Interaction

Crux team spoke to the stakeholders including the beneficiary and they had a lot to share with us :

Mrs Umama Jalgonkar IT Teacher Anjuman Islam School, teacher stated, “The computers have transformed our teaching methods.”

Students expressed enthusiasm for using the computers, leading to higher participation rates in lessons. One student remarked, “I enjoy learning with the new computers; it makes studying fun.”

The Financial Assistance for Purchase of Computers for Anjuman Islam Janjira School project has significantly enhanced the educational resources available to students in Raigad, Maharashtra. By focusing on the Promotion of Education, the project effectively addresses the need for technological access in rural education, the project has achieved substantial progress, addressing identified gaps through targeted recommendations will be essential for maximizing its long-term benefits.

14. Impact Assessment Report Project Nutrition & Patients Welfare Centre for cancer patients

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Nutrition & Patients Welfare Centre

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 12.31 lakh | No of Beneficiaries: 42 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner :Access Life Assistance Foundation |

Brief about the Project: The project provides financial assistance for the operational expenditure of the Mumbai centre of the Access Life Foundation, focusing on nutritional support and patient welfare All 42 beneficiaries are provided all type medical service and each beneficiary can allow 1 to 2 nearest person to stay at concern centre and all services provided to them including residence etc.

Brief Description:

Access to healthcare is a fundamental human right, and promoting healthcare in rural India is critical for improving overall well-being. In rural areas, health facilities often lack the resources, infrastructure, and trained personnel necessary to provide

comprehensive care. Initiatives aimed at enhancing healthcare services directly contribute to:

Reducing Health Inequities: Access to quality healthcare can bridge the gap between urban and rural health outcomes.

Improving Health Literacy: Educational programs within healthcare initiatives raise awareness about health and nutrition, empowering communities to make informed health choices.

Enhancing Quality of Life: Improved healthcare services lead to better health outcomes, increased productivity, and enhanced quality of life for individuals and families.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project is highly relevant as it addresses critical health needs in an area where many individuals struggle to access quality health care Access Life

Assistance Foundation Mumbai centre for their project for Nutrition & Patients welfare Centre at Chembur for 42 beneficiaries. By focusing on nutrition and patient welfare, the initiative aligns with the pressing demands of vulnerable populations in Mumbai.

Efficiency

The operational execution of the project has been efficient:

- **Timely Fund Allocation:** Financial resources were allocated promptly, ensuring that the centre could continue its essential services without interruption.
- **Effective Utilization of Resources:** The funds were used effectively to support various operational activities, including staffing, nutritional programs, and patient support services.

Effectiveness

The project's effectiveness is enumerated as there is Improved Health Outcomes: Patients reported better health due to nutritional support and medical care the centre has successfully provided comprehensive support, including counseling and nutritional guidance, which has positively impacted patients' overall well-being.

Sustainability

The project has a long term need to be addressed though has provided sustainable to the amount of support provided

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- Enhanced Health and Nutrition: The project has contributed to better nutritional status among patients, which is crucial for their recovery and well-being.
- Empowerment of Vulnerable Populations: By providing essential healthcare services, the project empowers marginalized communities to improve their health outcomes.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities: Reduce inequality within and among countries by promoting access to essential health services.

Beneficiary Interaction

Crux team gathered a lot of information from the inmates on this project -

One patient noted, "The food and care provided have helped me feel stronger and healthier".I thank RCFL.

Beneficiaries expressed the need for more diverse nutritional options and expanded healthcare services, indicating areas for growth.

Recommendations

Expand Nutritional Offerings Diversify - the nutritional options available to patients to ensure a well-rounded diet that meets various health needs.

The Nutrition & Patients Welfare Centre project has made significant strides in enhancing healthcare services for vulnerable populations in Mumbai. By focusing on the Promotion of Healthcare, the project addresses critical health needs.

15. Impact Assessment Project: Lifesaving Medical Aid to 50 Patients

Name of the Project: Lifesaving Medical Aid to 50 Patients

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 15 lakh | No of Beneficiaries : 50 |

- Start Year: 2023

Implementing partner : MESCO

Brief about the Project: RCF provided financial support to an NGO for delivering major lifesaving medical aid to 50 patients visiting government hospitals through t, Project implemented by Modern Education Social & Cultural Organization (MESCO)

Brief Description:

In rural India, access to quality healthcare remains a significant challenge due to inadequate infrastructure, shortage of medical professionals, and financial constraints. Promoting healthcare in these areas is critical for improving health outcomes and ensuring that vulnerable populations receive necessary medical attention. The Lifesaving Medical Aid to 50 Patients project addresses urgent healthcare needs by providing financial support to an NGO, facilitating essential medical aid for patients visiting government hospitals in Mumbai. By focusing on lifesaving treatments, the project plays a vital role in improving health outcomes for individuals who might otherwise lack access to critical care

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

Main object of this project is to provide financial support to Cancer treatments and other High cost treatments and surgeries under this project to 50 patients. The project is highly relevant, addressing immediate health needs in a densely populated urban area where many patients struggle to afford necessary medical treatments. By targeting lifesaving aid, the project directly impacts those in critical health situations.

Efficiency

The operational execution of the project has demonstrated efficiency by timely Disbursement of Funds and the financial support was allocated swiftly, enabling the NGO to provide immediate assistance to patients.

Effectiveness

The project has raised awareness about the importance of timely medical intervention and has encouraged community members to seek medical help when needed. The financial support has empowered the NGO to extend its reach and provide additional services to more patients in need and was highly effective

Sustainability

Establishing a system for ongoing support and follow-up care can help ensure long-term health benefits for patients and thus ensure sustainability

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- **Saved Lives:** The initiative has directly contributed to saving the lives of patients who received crucial medical interventions.
- **Improved Health Outcomes:** Enhanced health status among patients has contributed to greater overall well-being in the community

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with essential Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- **SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being:** Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
- **SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities:** Reduce inequalities in access to healthcare services.

Beneficiary Interaction

Engagement with beneficiaries by Crux research team has provided testimony to the fact, Patients reported significant health improvements due to the medical aid received. One patient expressed, "Without this support, I wouldn't be alive today." Many patients shared their experiences, emphasizing the lifesaving nature of the support they received.

- **Community Feedback:** Interactions with community members indicated a growing awareness of health resources available to them, promoting a culture of seeking medical help.

The Lifesaving Medical Aid to 50 Patients project has made a profound impact on healthcare access for vulnerable populations in Mumbai. By focusing on the Promotion of Healthcare, the project addresses critical health needs, the project has achieved significant success in addressing the goal.

16. Impact Assessment for the Project: Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

- State: Maharashtra District: Mumbai
- Amount Spent: 1.5 lakh No of beneficiaries 200

- Start Year: 2023 (CST)

Implementing partner :Chandra Sundra Trust

Brief about the Project: RCF provides financial assistance to organize health camps in Chembur in collaboration with local NGOs, facilitating access to medical services for the community.

Brief Description:

Access to quality healthcare is a critical issue in rural and urban underserved areas of India, including regions like Mankhurd and Chembur in Mumbai. Health camps serve as an essential mechanism to provide immediate medical care, health education, and preventive services. The importance of this thematic area in rural India includes:

- **Bridging Healthcare Gaps:** Health camps help to address the gaps in healthcare access, particularly for marginalized populations who may not have regular access to medical facilities.
- **Preventive Healthcare:** They play a vital role in early diagnosis and prevention of diseases, contributing to better long-term health outcomes.
- **Community Engagement:** These camps foster community awareness and involvement in health issues, encouraging individuals to take proactive measures regarding their health.

The Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur is significant as it provides crucial healthcare services to underserved communities through organized health camps in collaboration with local NGOs. The project not only addresses immediate health concerns but also promotes health education and awareness in the community, contributing to the overall well-being of the population

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project is highly relevant as it meets the immediate healthcare needs of the Mankhurd and Chembur communities, where many individuals lack access to regular health services. By offering medical camps, the initiative directly addresses critical health issues faced by local residents.

Efficiency

The project has demonstrated efficiency in its execution and timely implementations the Health camps were organized promptly, providing timely services to community members.

Effectiveness

Feedback from beneficiaries indicates that the project has been effective and the 1.5 lakh rupees allocated for the camps was utilized effectively for organizing health services, including consultations, diagnostics, and medication.

Sustainability

The sustainability of the project is critical for ongoing health benefits and Continued health education efforts can help maintain awareness and promote healthier lifestyle choices among community members.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- **Increased Health Awareness:** The camps have raised awareness about various health issues, leading to better-informed community members who are more proactive about their health.
- **Enhanced Health Outcomes:** By providing essential health services, the project contributes to improved health outcomes in the community.

Alignment with SD Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- **SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being:** Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
- **SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities:** Reduce inequality within and among countries by ensuring access to quality health services.

Beneficiary Interaction

Crux team interacted with the beneficiaries and recorded their views-

Improved Health Access: Many community members reported receiving essential health services they would not have otherwise accessed. One participant stated, “The camp helped me get my blood pressure checked and understand my health better.”

Recommendations

- **Community Suggestions:** Some beneficiaries suggested expanding the types of services offered, such as dental check-ups and women’s health services.

- **Expand Service Offerings:** Include a broader range of medical services in future camps, such as dental check-ups and mental health services, to address diverse health needs.

Improve communication strategies to ensure that community members are well-informed about upcoming health camps, using local media and community networks.

The Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur project has made a significant impact on healthcare access for underserved populations in Mumbai. By focusing on the Promotion of Healthcare, the initiative addresses critical health needs. While the project has achieved notable success, addressing identified gaps through targeted recommendations will be essential for maximizing its long-term benefits.

17 Impact Assessment for the Project: Installation of Community Fitness Centres Across Bidar District, Karnataka

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Installation of Community Fitness Centres

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

- State: Karnataka District: Bidar
- Amount Spent: 250 lakh No of beneficiaries :10000
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner :SIRDS

Brief about the Project: A total of 18 community fitness centers have been installed across Bidar district, Karnataka, aimed at enhancing health and wellness among the local population, implemented by the NGO partner Sarvodaya Integrated Rural Development Society(SIRDS)

Brief Description:

The importance of promoting healthcare, especially in rural India, cannot be overstated. Access to fitness and wellness facilities plays a critical role in enhancing the overall health of communities. In rural areas, where lifestyle diseases are increasingly common, community fitness centers provide essential resources for physical activity, education, and health awareness. Key aspects of this thematic area include:

- **Preventive Health:** Community fitness centers promote physical activity, which is crucial for preventing chronic diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, and obesity.

- **Community Engagement:** These centers foster community involvement, encouraging residents to participate in health-related activities and adopt healthier lifestyles.
- **Education and Awareness:** They serve as platforms for health education, helping to inform the community about fitness, nutrition, and wellness.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Installation of Community Fitness Centres across Bidar district is a significant initiative aimed at improving public health. By establishing 18 fitness centers, and two are in progress the project provides accessible resources for physical activity, promoting a culture of health and wellness in the community. This initiative is vital in combating sedentary lifestyles, particularly among youth and vulnerable populations who often lack access to fitness facilities.

The project is highly relevant to the needs of the Bidar community. With increasing health issues related to sedentary lifestyles, the establishment of fitness centers addresses the urgent need for accessible exercise facilities.

Efficiency

The project has demonstrated efficiency in its execution, by ensuring cost -effective Setup, The budget of 250 lakh was allocated effectively to construct and equip the centers and timely implementation ensuring quick access to facilities for community members.

Effectiveness

Feedback from beneficiaries indicates that the project has been effective as there is increased Participation in physical activities since the centers opened. Preliminary surveys suggest improvements in health metrics, such as weight management and overall physical fitness among users.

Sustainability

Community Ownership: Engaging local leaders and community members in managing the centers can foster a sense of ownership, ensuring ongoing use and maintenance.

Regular Programs: Implementing regular fitness programs and workshops can enhance sustainability, attracting consistent participation and interest.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- **Enhanced Community Health:** The fitness centers contribute to improved physical health and well-being among community members.
- **Social Cohesion:** The centers serve as community hubs, fostering social interactions and community spirit.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- **SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being:** Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all.
- **SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities:** Reduce inequalities in access to health facilities and resources.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights to Crux team during the assessment process-

A local resident noted, "The fitness center has motivated many of us to exercise regularly."

Many participants expressed appreciation for the accessibility of the fitness centers and the positive impact on their health. One user stated, "I feel more energetic and healthier since I started coming here."

Suggestions for Improvement: Some beneficiaries suggested expanding the types of fitness programs offered, including yoga and aerobic classes.

Community Events: Feedback indicated a desire for community events or challenges to encourage more participation.

Identified Gaps

Maintenance Concerns: Ensuring regular maintenance of the facilities to keep them in good condition is essential for long-term sustainability.

The Installation of Community Fitness Centres in Bidar district is a commendable initiative that significantly contributes to the Promotion of Healthcare, by enhancing access to fitness resources. While the project has achieved notable success, addressing identified gaps through targeted recommendations will be essential for maximizing its long-term benefits.

18. Impact Assessment Women Power – Strengthening SHG and Uplifting Women and Girls through Entrepreneurship for Social Impact

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Women Power – Strengthening Self Help Groups and Uplifting Women and Girls through Entrepreneurship for Social Impact

Thematic Area: Promotion of Women Empowerment

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| • State: Uttar Pradesh | Districts: Prayagraj, Varanasi, Sultanpur |
| • Amount Spent: 99.6 lakh | No of Beneficiaries 200 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner AILSG |

Brief about the Project:

the project aims to empower around 200 women and girls through skill building and entrepreneurship development in backward areas, implementing three projects in Prayagraj, Varanasi, and Sultanpur districts. All India Institute of Local Self-Government (AILSG)

Brief Description:

Women empowerment is a crucial component of sustainable development, especially in rural India, where gender inequality persists. Empowering women not only enhances their social and economic status but also positively impacts families and communities. The importance of this thematic area includes:

- **Economic Independence:** Empowering women through skill-building and entrepreneurship enables them to contribute economically, fostering financial independence.
- **Social Change:** Women's empowerment leads to broader societal changes, as empowered women are more likely to advocate for themselves and their communities.
- **Reduction of Gender Inequality:** Programs aimed at empowering women help challenge and change traditional gender roles, promoting equality and inclusion.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

Prayagraj, Varanasi, and Sultanpur districts through skill-building and entrepreneurship development. By strengthening Self Help Groups (SHGs), the project provides essential resources and training for women to become self-sufficient, fostering social impact in their communities. This initiative is vital for breaking the cycle of poverty and enhancing

the quality of life for women and their families, The project is highly relevant as it addresses the pressing need for women empowerment in Uttar Pradesh, a state with significant gender disparities. By focusing on skill-building and entrepreneurship, the project directly responds to local needs and aspirations.

Efficiency

The project has demonstrated efficiency in its implementation and Rs.99.6 lakh budget fund was effectively allocated across the three districts to ensure comprehensive coverage and support for all participants. Initial training sessions and workshops have been organized promptly, maximizing participation and engagement.

Effectiveness

The project has effectively worked well on Skill Development and participants reported significant improvements in skills related to entrepreneurship, with many expressing confidence in starting their businesses. There is evidence of positive social change, as empowered women are actively contributing to community discussions and initiatives.

Sustainability

The sustainability of the project is crucial for its long-term impact:

- **Formation of SHGs:** Strengthening SHGs fosters ongoing support networks among women, promoting continued engagement and collaboration.
- **Ongoing Training:** Establishing a framework for continuous skill development ensures that women can adapt to market changes and sustain their entrepreneurial efforts.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is substantial:

- **Economic Empowerment:** Many participants have begun to establish their businesses, contributing to the local economy.
- **Social Empowerment:** Empowered women are becoming role models in their communities, inspiring others and advocating for gender equality.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- **SDG 5: Gender Equality:** Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.

- SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth: Promote sustained, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

User Testimonials: Many women expressed gratitude for the skills they have gained, with one participant stating, “I never thought I could run my own business; this program has changed my life.”

Community Involvement: Participants reported increased involvement in community activities and decision-making processes, highlighting a shift in social dynamics.

Suggestions for Improvement: Some beneficiaries suggested expanding the types of skills taught, such as digital literacy and marketing, to enhance their business capabilities.

Recommendations

- Expand the Program Scope: Increase the number of participants to reach more women in the community, addressing the high demand for empowerment programs.
- Enhance Market Linkages: Implement workshops on market research and business development to better inform participants about opportunities and how to capitalize on them.
- Implement Post-Training Support: Develop a mentorship program that provides ongoing support and guidance to participants as they launch and grow their businesses.

The Women Power project in Uttar Pradesh is a significant initiative aimed at promoting women empowerment through skill-building and entrepreneurship. The project has achieved notable success in empowering women and fostering community change.

19. Impact Assessment the Project Financial Assistance for Educational Empowerment of SC/ST Students

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Educational Empowerment of SC/ST Students

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

- State: Maharashtra Districts: Osmanabad, Beed, and Others
- Amount Spent: 24.93 lakh No of Beneficiaries : 500
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing : IRDC

Brief about the Project: RCF initiated a scheme to provide scholarships to five drought-prone districts, aiming to enhance education quality and retention among SC/ST students with the NGO partner Integrated Rural Development Centre (IRDC)

Brief Description:

Education is a fundamental pillar of socio-economic development, particularly in rural India, where disparities in access to quality education can perpetuate cycles of poverty. Promoting education, especially among marginalized communities such as Scheduled Castes (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST), is crucial for fostering equity and empowering individuals. The importance of this thematic area includes:

- Social Mobility: Education provides opportunities for individuals to improve their socio-economic status and break free from poverty.
- Community Development: Educated individuals contribute positively to their communities, promoting civic engagement and social cohesion.
- Reduction of Inequality: Targeted educational initiatives can help bridge the gap in educational attainment between marginalized and non-marginalized groups.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Financial Assistance for Educational Empowerment of SC/ST Students project aims to enhance education quality and retention among SC/ST students in drought-prone districts of Maharashtra, including Osmanabad, Ahmednagar, Beed, Buldhana, and Aurangabad. By providing scholarships, the project addresses the financial barriers that often hinder educational access for marginalized communities, ensuring that deserving students can pursue their studies without economic constraints. This initiative is vital for promoting educational equity and improving the overall quality of life for these communities.

The project is highly relevant as it addresses the pressing need for educational support in Maharashtra's drought-prone districts, where many SC/ST families struggle to afford educational expenses. The initiative directly targets the barriers to education faced by marginalized communities.

Efficiency

The project has demonstrated efficiency in its execution, the budget of Rs.24.93 lakh was effectively allocated to provide scholarships, ensuring that funds were directed toward those most in need. Scholarships were disbursed promptly at the beginning of the academic year, allowing students to enroll and continue their education without delay.

Effectiveness

The project has been effective and has effectively retained SC/ST students, attributed to the financial assistance provided. Some beneficiaries noted improvements in their academic performance, with several students achieving higher grades due to reduced financial stress.

Sustainability

Sustainability is a critical aspect of the project and it has ensured, in a limited way contributing to the long-term socio-economic development of the targeted communities.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant and it empowers SC/ST students, providing them with the resources needed to pursue education and improve their future prospects. The project also embarks social change, as educated individuals are likely to contribute positively to their communities, fostering social change and promoting equity.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 4: Quality Education: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities: Reduce inequality within and among countries.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

Many students expressed gratitude for the scholarships, stating that the financial support allowed them to focus on their studies without the burden of fees and materials. One student remarked, "This scholarship has made it possible for me to continue my education and chase my dreams."

Parents highlighted the importance of this financial assistance, indicating that it alleviated their economic pressures and encouraged them to support their children's education.

Suggestions for Improvement: Some beneficiaries suggested the introduction of mentorship programs or tutoring to further support their academic journey.

Recommendations

- **Introduce Support Services:** Establish additional support services, such as tutoring and mentorship programs, to help students maximize their educational opportunities.
- **Develop Monitoring and Evaluation Framework:** Create a robust monitoring and evaluation framework to assess the long-term outcomes of the scholarship program and ensure accountability.

The Financial Assistance for Educational Empowerment of SC/ST Students project in Maharashtra is a vital initiative aimed at promoting education among marginalized communities. Continued investment in educational initiatives is crucial for fostering an equitable society where all individuals have the opportunity to succeed.

20. Impact Assessment for the Project: Financial Assistance for Providing General OPD and Free Medicines to Patients Visiting Sushrut Hospital, Chembur

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Providing General OPD and Free Medicines to Patients Visiting Sushrut Hospital

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 5 lakh | No of Beneficiaries 5000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner : Sushrut Hospital |

Brief about the Project: The project provides financial assistance to cover the operational costs of general outpatient departments (OPDs) and to supply free medicines to patients visiting Sushrut Hospital, ensuring accessible healthcare services.

Brief Description:

Access to quality healthcare is essential for the socio-economic development of any community, especially in rural and underserved areas. In India, disparities in healthcare access can lead to severe consequences, including increased morbidity and mortality

rates. The promotion of healthcare services, particularly for economically disadvantaged populations, is vital for:

- **Public Health Improvement:** Enhancing overall health outcomes and reducing disease burden within communities.
- **Economic Stability:** Healthier individuals are more productive, contributing positively to local economies.
- **Social Equity:** Ensuring that marginalized populations have access to necessary health services reduces inequality.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Financial Assistance for Providing General OPD and Free Medicines project at Sushrut Hospital in Chembur is designed to alleviate healthcare access barriers for economically disadvantaged individuals. By offering free outpatient services and medicines, the project directly addresses the financial constraints that prevent many from seeking medical care. This initiative is crucial for improving health outcomes, promoting preventive care, and enhancing the overall well-being of the community.

The project is highly relevant, particularly in Chembur, where many residents face economic barriers to healthcare. The initiative directly targets these issues by providing free medical services and medicines, addressing a critical need in the community.

Efficiency

The project demonstrates efficiency as the budget of Rs 5 lakh has been strategically allocated to cover OPD services and the procurement of essential medicines, ensuring maximum benefit for patients.

The program commenced in 2023, with immediate impact observed in the number of patients accessing healthcare services.

Effectiveness

The project has been effective and the beneficiaries have reported better management of chronic conditions and preventive care, leading to improved health outcomes.

Sustainability

The sustainability of the project is significant and it can lead to long-term health benefit, by promoting preventive care and early intervention, the project can lead to sustained improvements in community health.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is considerable

Empowerment of Marginalized Groups: The project empowers economically disadvantaged individuals by providing them with necessary healthcare services, improving their quality of life.

Community Health Improvement: Increased access to healthcare leads to better public health outcomes and a reduction in disease prevalence.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), notably:

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities: Reduce inequality within and among countries.

Beneficiary Interaction

Crux team's interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

Patients expressed gratitude for the free services, with one patient stating, "Thanks to Sushrut Hospital, I was able to get my treatment without worrying about the costs."

Many beneficiaries noted an increased awareness of health issues and the importance of regular check-ups due to outreach efforts linked to the project.

Suggestions for Improvement: Some beneficiaries suggested expanding the range of services offered, such as specialized clinics for chronic conditions.

Identified Gaps

- **Limited Awareness:** Some eligible patients were not fully aware of the services available, indicating a need for improved outreach.
- **Monitoring and Evaluation:** There is a need for more systematic monitoring to evaluate the long-term impact on community health.

The Financial Assistance for Providing General OPD and Free Medicines project at Sushrut Hospital is a vital initiative aimed at improving healthcare access for economically disadvantaged individuals in Chembur, Maharashtra. The project addresses critical healthcare access issues and empowers marginalized communities.

21. Impact Assessment I for the Project: Financial Assistance for Organizing "Promotion of Prevention of Cancer" Program in Schools at Kharghar, Mumbai

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Organizing “Promotion of Prevention of Cancer” Program

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

- State: Maharashtra District: Kharghar, Mumbai
- Amount Spent: 5 lakh No of Beneficiaries 500
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner: Brahmaputra Cancer care

Brief about the Project

This program focuses on conducting awareness sessions in schools to educate students about cancer prevention and health check-ups executed by partner NGO. Besides interactive sessions conducted by oncologist Quiz programs were also conducted to reinforce learning aspects and about 15 schools in the geographic vicinity participated

Brief Description:

In rural and urban settings alike, health awareness and preventive measures are critical for improving public health outcomes. Cancer awareness, in particular, plays a pivotal role in early detection and treatment, which can significantly reduce mortality rates. The importance of this thematic area includes:

- Awareness Creation: Educating communities about cancer risks, prevention, and the importance of early detection.
- Empowerment: Providing individuals with knowledge empowers them to make informed health choices.
- Community Health Improvement: Awareness programs contribute to overall public health by reducing the incidence and severity of diseases.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Promotion of Prevention of Cancer program in schools at Kharghar aims to create awareness among students about cancer, its prevention, and the importance of regular health check-ups. By targeting the youth, this initiative fosters early awareness, which is crucial for building a culture of health consciousness. The project is essential not only for educating students but also for equipping them with the knowledge they can share with their families and communities, leading to a broader impact. The project is highly relevant as it addresses a critical need for cancer awareness in the community. With

rising cancer cases in India, particularly among younger populations, this initiative directly tackles the gap in knowledge and understanding of preventive measures.

Efficiency

The budget of 5 lakh was effectively utilized to organize awareness sessions, ensuring that funds were directed towards impactful activities. The awareness program was organized promptly within the academic year, allowing students to benefit from timely information.

Effectiveness

The project has been effective and has increased Awareness, Pre- and post-program surveys indicated a significant increase in students' understanding of cancer risks and prevention methods. Interactive sessions fostered engagement, with students actively participating in discussions and activities.

Sustainability

Sustainability is a critical aspect of the project:

- Long-Term Health Benefits: By educating students, the project aims to instill lifelong health consciousness, which can lead to sustained health benefits in the community.
- Community Involvement: Encouraging students to share knowledge with their families can further enhance the program's reach and impact.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- Empowerment through Knowledge: Students are empowered with information that can influence their health decisions and behaviors.
- Community Health Improvement: Increased awareness can lead to early detection of cancer and a reduction in associated morbidity.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
- SDG 4: Quality Education: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

User Testimonials: Students expressed appreciation for the program, stating it opened their eyes to the importance of health checks. One student remarked, “I didn’t know how crucial it was to get eat healthy diet and stay active with physical sportsuntil today.”

Parental Feedback: Parents noted that their children shared the information learned, prompting family discussions about health and wellness.

Suggestions for Improvement: Some students suggested incorporating more interactive elements, such as workshops or guest speakers from the healthcare sector.

Recommendations

- Introduce Follow-Up Initiatives: Implement follow-up programs or refresher sessions to reinforce the knowledge gained and maintain engagement.
- Provide Comprehensive Resources: Develop and distribute educational materials (brochures, online resources) that schools can use for ongoing education about cancer prevention.
- The Promotion of Prevention of Cancer program in schools at Kharghar is a vital initiative aimed at enhancing cancer awareness among students. The program has achieved significant success in raising awareness and engaging students.

22. Impact Assessment Report Financial Assistance for Vocational/Skill Training Cum Livelihood Project for the Disabled

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Vocational/Skill Training Cum Livelihood Project for the Disabled

Thematic Area: Promotion of Skill Development and Livelihood

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: Rs 14.25 lakh | No of Beneficiaries 152 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner :NADE |

Brief about the Project: RCF supported the National Association of Disabled’s Enterprises (NADE) in Mumbai for purchasing an umbrella-making machine for their training center, enhancing vocational training for disabled individuals amongst the 152 PwDs

Brief Description:

Skill development and livelihood opportunities are essential for fostering economic independence, especially for marginalized groups, including persons with disabilities (PwDs). In rural and urban India, vocational training empowers individuals to enhance their skills, access job markets, and achieve financial self-sufficiency. The significance of this thematic area includes:

- Empowerment: Equipping individuals with skills that lead to employment opportunities and economic independence.
- Social Inclusion: Promoting the inclusion of disabled individuals in the workforce, thus reducing stigma and fostering equality.
- Community Development: Enhancing the economic capacity of individuals contributes positively to the community's overall growth.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Vocational/Skill Training cum Livelihood Project for the Disabled aims to enhance the skills of disabled individuals in Mumbai by providing vocational training and equipment, specifically an umbrella-making machine. This initiative addresses the challenges faced by disabled individuals in accessing employment and gaining financial independence. By promoting skill development, the project not only improves the livelihoods of PwDs but also contributes to their self-esteem and social integration.

The project is highly relevant as it directly addresses the need for skill development and livelihood opportunities for disabled individuals in Mumbai. By providing vocational training and necessary tools, the initiative helps bridge the gap between potential and opportunity.

Efficiency

The budget of Rs 14.25 lakh was effectively allocated to the purchase of the umbrella-making machine, ensuring that funds were used for a purpose that enhances training capacity. The equipment was procured and operationalized promptly, enabling immediate training opportunities.

Effectiveness

The project has been effectively enabled the beneficiary acquiring new skills in umbrella-making, which has enhanced their employability.

Sustainability

Sustainability is a critical aspect of the project, aid in equipping disabled individuals with vocational skills, and thus fosters long-term economic stability for participants.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant as the beneficiary not only gain skills but also confidence and independence, leading to improved quality of life. The project has also increased employment among disabled individuals contributes to economic diversity and community development.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 4: Quality Education: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
- SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth: Promote sustained, inclusive economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

Many participants expressed enthusiasm about the training during interaction with Crux Team , with one stating, Shri Ganesh Shinde (Orthopedic Handicapped) “This opportunity has changed my life; I can now support myself and contribute to my family.”

Mrs Annie Vinson work shop In charge At Vikroli Workshop thanked RCF for the support it has provided to the PWD, and said even the families reported increased pride in their disabled members’ achievements and a reduction in stigma.

Suggestions for Improvement: Some participants suggested the need for additional training in marketing and sales to enhance their ability to sell products.

Recommendations

- Diversify Training Programs: Introduce additional vocational training courses to expand skill sets among participants, increasing their employability.
- Enhance Market Access: Develop partnerships with local businesses and online platforms to create avenues for selling products made by trained individuals.

The Vocational/Skill Training cum Livelihood Project for the Disabled in Mumbai is a vital initiative aimed at promoting skill development and improving the livelihoods of disabled individuals. By aligning with key Sustainable Development Goals, particularly

SDG 4 and SDG 8, the project addresses significant challenges related to employment and empowerment.

23. Impact Assessment for the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of New Audio System for School

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of New Audio System for School

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

- State: Maharashtra District: Mumbai
- Amount Spent: 5.5 lakh No of Beneficiaries 1000
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner Lokmanya Shikshan Sanstha

Brief about the Project: Financial assistance provided to the school for the purchase of an audio system to conduct day-to-day activities of the school. Purchase of new Audio system for school to Jawahar Vidya Bhavan, , RCF colony , Chembur Mumbai

Brief Description:

Education is a cornerstone of socio-economic development, particularly in rural and underserved areas of India. It is vital for individual empowerment and community progress. Access to quality education can transform lives, reduce poverty, and promote social equity. The significance of this thematic area includes:

- Enhancing Learning Environments: Quality educational resources, such as audio systems, contribute to improved teaching and learning experiences.
- Engagement and Participation: Effective audio-visual tools can increase student engagement, making learning more interactive and effective.
- Capacity Building: Strengthening educational institutions equips them to better serve their communities and fosters an environment conducive to learning.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Financial Assistance for Purchase of New Audio System for School project aims to enhance the educational experience in a school in Mumbai by providing essential audio equipment. This initiative is crucial for facilitating effective teaching methods and enriching the learning atmosphere. By ensuring that the school is equipped with modern audio systems, the project helps address the challenges of inadequate resources, promoting a more conducive environment for both educators and students.

The project is highly relevant as it addresses the need for modern educational tools in schools, particularly in areas where resources may be limited. By providing an audio system, the initiative enhances the school's capability to deliver quality education and engage students effectively.

Efficiency

The project has demonstrated efficiency in its execution by effectively utilizing for the procurement of a high-quality audio system and the purchase and installation of the audio system were completed promptly, enabling its use from the beginning of the academic year.

Effectiveness

The project has been effective, has improved learning experience:, teachers reported that the audio system significantly improved the clarity and engagement during lessons. Students have shown increased participation in class activities, making learning more interactive and enjoyable.

Sustainability

Sustainability is a critical aspect of the project:

- Long-Term Use: The audio system is expected to be used for many years, benefiting future batches of students.
- Community Support: Ongoing community support and interest in educational improvement can help maintain and enhance the use of such resources.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

The introduction of the audio system is likely to improve overall academic performance and student engagement and even teachers feel more equipped to deliver lessons effectively, leading to greater job satisfaction and professional growth.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 4: Quality Education: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities: Reduce inequality within and among countries by improving access to educational resources for marginalized communities.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

Teachers expressed their gratitude, stating, Mrs Abira Dasgupta Supervisor Jawahar English Secondary School “The new audio system has transformed our classes. Students are more engaged, and we can deliver lessons more effectively.”

Students reported that it is aiding in receive clear instruction and aid in better learning introduced by the audio system.

The Financial Assistance for Purchase of New Audio System for School project in Mumbai is a vital initiative aimed at promoting quality education.

24. Impact Assessment for the Project Financial Assistance for Installation of Solar System in the College Building

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Installation of Solar System in the College Building

Thematic Area: Promotion of Sustainable Development

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Raigad |
| • Amount Spent: 15 lakh | No of Beneficiaries 1000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner :Janata Shikshan Mandal |

Brief about the Project: RCF has provided financial assistance to Janata Shikshan Mandal, Alibag, Raigad, for the purchase and installation of a new solar system at the college (JSM) Building

Brief Description:

Sustainable development is a crucial concept, especially in rural India, where traditional energy sources are often unreliable or unavailable. The integration of renewable energy solutions like solar power is essential for several reasons:

- **Energy Accessibility:** Many rural areas lack stable electricity supply. Solar energy provides a reliable and affordable alternative.
- **Environmental Impact:** Utilizing renewable energy helps reduce carbon emissions, combating climate change and promoting environmental health.

- **Economic Development:** Investment in renewable energy can lead to job creation, skills development, and enhanced economic activity in rural communities.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Financial Assistance for Installation of Solar System in the College Building project aims to empower Janata Shikshan Mandal in Alibag, Raigad, through the adoption of solar energy. This initiative is critical not only for reducing energy costs but also for instilling a culture of sustainability among students and the broader community. By investing in solar technology, the project promotes educational opportunities while addressing environmental challenges.

The project is highly relevant as it addresses the urgent need for sustainable energy solutions in the educational sector. The installation of a solar system directly contributes to reducing reliance on conventional energy sources while ensuring that the college remains operational and efficient.

Efficiency

The budget was effectively utilized for the purchase and installation of the solar system, ensuring that funds were allocated appropriately. The installation was completed on schedule, enabling the college to benefit from solar energy promptly.

Effectiveness

The project's effectiveness is gathered from college reporting a significant reduction in electricity bills by about 60-70%, allowing funds to be redirected toward other educational resources. With consistent energy supply, classrooms can utilize technology more effectively, improving the overall learning experience for students.

Sustainability

The solar system provides a renewable energy source that will serve the college for years, promoting energy independence and the project encourages the community to consider renewable energy options, fostering a culture of sustainability.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is substantial:

- **Educational Empowerment:** By ensuring reliable energy, the project enhances the quality of education provided, ultimately benefiting students' futures.

- **Environmental Awareness:** The project serves as a model for sustainable practices, inspiring both students and community members to adopt similar initiatives.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), specifically:

- **SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy:** Ensuring access to sustainable energy sources for all.
- **SDG 13: Climate Action:** Taking urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

College staff expressed their satisfaction with the solar installation, noting its impact on operational efficiency and energy costs. Dr. Prashant Chate, Professor, Janata Shikshan Mandal, expressed his gratitude to RCF for the financial assistance.

Students reported increased engagement in lessons that incorporate technology, facilitated by the stable energy supply and it has garnered community interest, as residents showed enthusiasm about the college's initiative, expressing interest in exploring solar solutions for their homes.

The Financial Assistance for Installation of Solar System in the College Building project in Raigad is a vital initiative that promotes sustainable development within educational institutions and the project has successfully reduced energy costs and fostered awareness about renewable energy.

25. Impact Assessment for the Project: Financial Assistance for Distribution of Educational Material to Students nearby Chembur

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Distribution of Educational Material to Students nearby Chembur

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 4.3 lakh | No of Beneficiaries 550 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner : Asmita Mahila Mandal |

Brief about the Project: RCF supports AsmitaMahila Mandal in distributing educational materials to underprivileged students in Chembur. Educational Material to student of the School including Bag Tag, Book Sets , Note Books, other item which are required by Students.

Brief Description:

Education is a fundamental driver of socio-economic development, particularly in rural India, where access to quality educational resources remains a significant challenge. Promoting education through targeted interventions is essential for several reasons:

- **Empowerment of Marginalized Communities:** Access to educational resources empowers individuals, particularly in underprivileged communities, by providing them with opportunities for social mobility.
- **Community Development:** Educated individuals contribute positively to their communities, fostering civic engagement and economic growth.
- **Reduction of Inequality:** Providing educational materials to those in need helps bridge the gap in educational attainment between marginalized and non-marginalized groups.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The Financial Assistance for Distribution of Educational Material project aims to support AsmitaMahila Mandal in distributing essential educational materials to students in Chembur, Mumbai. By focusing on this initiative, the project addresses critical barriers to education, such as lack of resources, thereby ensuring that underprivileged students can pursue their studies effectively. This project is vital for promoting educational equity and enhancing the overall quality of education in the region.

The project is highly relevant as it addresses the urgent need for educational resources among underprivileged students in Chembur. By directly targeting students who lack access to necessary materials, the initiative effectively meets a pressing educational need.

Efficiency

The project has demonstrated efficiency in its execution as The budget of RS 4.3 lakh was effectively allocated to the procurement and distribution of educational materials, ensuring that funds were utilized where they were most needed Educational materials were distributed at the beginning of the academic year, ensuring that students received them in time for their studies.

Effectiveness

The project's effectiveness is gathered by the inputs from the ,beneficiaries reported that receiving educational materials significantly improved their ability to participate in school activities and complete assignments and also the increased engagement as Students expressed increased enthusiasm towards learning due to the availability of necessary resources.

Sustainability

By providing essential materials, the project lays the groundwork for ongoing educational engagement among students. Engaging local organizations like AsmitaMahila Mandal fosters community ownership and support for educational initiatives.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- Empowerment of Underprivileged Students: The distribution of educational materials empowers students by providing them with the tools they need to succeed academically.
- Positive Community Change: Educated individuals are more likely to contribute positively to their communities, fostering a cycle of improvement and opportunity.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 4: Quality Education: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities: Reduce inequality within and among countries.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries, Crux research team has gathered

- Many students expressed gratitude for the educational materials, stating that they felt more prepared and motivated to study.
- Parents highlighted the importance of these materials, indicating that they alleviated some financial burdens and encouraged their children's education.
- Some beneficiaries suggested the inclusion of supplementary tutoring sessions to enhance their learning experience.

The Financial Assistance for Distribution of Educational Material to Students nearbyChembur project is a vital initiative aimed at promoting education among underprivileged students, the project has achieved notable success in enhancing access to education.

26. Impact for the Project: Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 1.5 lakh | No of Beneficiaries 5000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing Agency: RCFL |

Brief about the Project: RCF provides financial assistance to organize health camps in Chembur in collaboration with local NGOs, facilitating access to medical services for the

Brief Description:

The Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur is significant as it provides crucial healthcare services to underserved communities through organized health camps in collaboration with local NGOs. The project not only addresses immediate health concerns but also promotes health education and awareness in the community, contributing to the overall well-being of the population. This initiative is vital in a context where many individuals face barriers to accessing healthcare.

Access to quality healthcare is a critical issue in rural and urban underserved areas of India, including regions like Mankhurd and Chembur in Mumbai. Health camps serve as an essential mechanism to provide immediate medical care, health education, and preventive services. The importance of this thematic area in rural India includes:

- **Bridging Healthcare Gaps:** Health camps help to address the gaps in healthcare access, particularly for marginalized populations who may not have regular access to medical facilities.
- **Preventive Healthcare:** They play a vital role in early diagnosis and prevention of diseases, contributing to better long-term health outcomes.
- **Community Engagement:** These camps foster community awareness and involvement in health issues, encouraging individuals to take proactive measures regarding their health.

Impact Assessment Using the REESI Model

Relevance

The project is highly relevant as it meets the immediate healthcare needs of the Mankhurd and Chembur communities, where many individuals lack access to regular health services. By offering medical camps, the initiative directly addresses critical health issues faced by local residents.

Efficiency

The project has demonstrated efficiency in its execution as the fundUtilization and 1.5 lakh allocated for the camps was utilized effectively for organizing health services, including consultations, diagnostics, and medication and the Health camps were organized promptly, providing timely services to community members , timely Implementation.

Effectiveness

The project has been effective as we gathered many community members reported receiving essential health services they would not have otherwise accessed and the camps successfully engaged the community, raising awareness about health issues and encouraging individuals to seek medical help.

Sustainability

The sustainability of the project is critical for ongoing health benefits:

- **Building Local Capacity:** Collaborating with local NGOs enhances the capacity for future health initiatives, fostering community ownership.
- **Ongoing Health Education:** Continued health education efforts can help maintain awareness and promote healthier lifestyle choices among community members.

Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant:

- **Increased Health Awareness:** The camps have raised awareness about various health issues, leading to better-informed community members who are more proactive about their health.
- **Enhanced Health Outcomes:** By providing essential health services, the project contributes to improved health outcomes in the community.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with key Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly:

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities: Reduce inequality within and among countries by ensuring access to quality health services.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings:

Interactions with beneficiaries provided valuable insights:

- One participant stated, “The camp helped me get my blood pressure checked and understand my health better
- Patient Feedback: Participants expressed appreciation for the availability of medical services and the opportunity to receive check-ups without the burden of travel costs.
- Health Education: Attendees valued the health education sessions held during the camps, indicating a demand for more educational resources.

Recommendations

- Expand Service Offerings: Include a broader range of medical services in future camps, such as dental check-ups and mental health services, to address diverse health needs.
- Enhance Outreach and Awareness: Improve communication strategies to ensure that community members are well-informed about upcoming health camps, using local media and community networks.

The Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur project has made a significant impact on healthcare access for underserved populations in Mumbai. By focusing on the Promotion of Healthcare, the project has achieved notable success.

27. Impact Assessment for the Project: Distribution of Educational Material and Furniture to Schools

Project Overview

Project Name: Financial Assistance for Distribution of Educational Material and Furniture to Schools

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai |
| • Amount Spent: 1.34 Lakh | No of Beneficiaries 104 |

- Start Year: 2023
Mandal

Brief Description: Financial assistance was provided to Panchratna Mitra Mandal for the distribution of educational materials and furniture to schools, aiming to enhance the educational environment and facilitate better learning outcomes for students.

Brief Description:

The thematic area of education is crucial in rural India, where disparities in access to quality resources persist. Education acts as a key driver for social and economic development, promoting equality and empowerment. The project specifically addresses:

- **Access to Resources:** Many rural schools lack basic educational materials and furniture, which can hinder effective learning.
- **Quality of Education:** Improved materials contribute to a better learning environment, fostering student engagement and teacher efficacy.
- **Community Development:** Education is linked to better job opportunities and community development, breaking the cycle of poverty.

Impact Assessment using the REESI Model

1. Relevance

The promotion of education is vital in rural India, where access to quality educational resources is limited. Education serves as a cornerstone for personal and community development, providing pathways out of poverty and empowering individuals. Providing Education Material to students at Mukbadhir School Anand nagarChembur & ZP School at LendipadaTah Vasai Dist Palghar & Office Furniture to Jawahar school & sweets to students of RCF colony Chembur Mumba

The project is highly relevant to the educational needs in rural India, particularly in Maharashtra, where access to quality educational resources remains a challenge.

2. Efficiency

The project demonstrated efficient use of resources, with funds directly allocated to essential educational materials and furniture. Distribution processes were streamlined through collaboration with local NGOs, ensuring timely delivery and minimizing administrative costs. Beneficiary feedback indicated satisfaction with the speed and transparency of the distribution process.

3. Effectiveness

The project effectively met its objectives, with numerous schools receiving necessary materials. Surveys indicated improved student engagement and attendance rates. Teachers reported a noticeable enhancement in the learning environment, facilitating better educational outcomes.

4. Sustainability

While the immediate impact of the project is clear, its long-term sustainability remains uncertain. Continued support and maintenance of the distributed materials will require ongoing funding and community involvement.

5. Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant, fostering a positive learning environment in schools and enhancing educational outcomes for children.. Beneficiaries, including students and teachers, expressed improved satisfaction and a renewed sense of hope for educational advancement.

Alignment with SDG Goals

Alignment with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The project aligns with several SDGs, particularly:

- SDG 4: Quality Education ,Ensures that all youth achieve literacy and numeracy, directly addressed by providing educational materials that enhance learning.
- SDG 1: No Poverty,Link to Education: By improving education quality, the project contributes to reducing poverty through better job prospects for students.

Beneficiary Interaction

Interactions with beneficiaries highlighted the importance of educational materials and furniture in creating a conducive learning environment. Feedback sessions revealed that students felt more motivated to attend school, and teachers noted improved teaching efficacy due to the availability of proper resources. Engaging beneficiaries in the feedback process provided valuable insights for future project planning.

The project has made significant strides in promoting education in rural Mumbai, demonstrating positive outcomes in terms of resource distribution and student engagement.

28. Impact Assessment Report for the Project: Purchase of Medicines and Hygiene Kits for Schools

Project Overview

Project Name: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Medicines and Hygiene Kits for Schools

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

- State: Maharashtra District: Mumbai
- Amount Spent: 7.8 Lakhs No of Beneficiaries 300
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner Panchratna Mitra Mandal

Brief Description: Financial assistance was provided to Panchratna Mitra Mandal. The kits were distributed at the Shri Narayanrao Acharya Vidhyalaya, Chembur, Mumbai, held on 07.10.2023, and distributed medicines and hygiene kits & education material to students in Anushakti Nagar, Chembur. The aim is to improve health outcomes and promote hygiene among students.

Brief Description:

The promotion of healthcare is critical in rural India, where access to medical resources and hygiene practices can significantly affect children's health and educational outcomes. This project specifically addresses:

- **Health Accessibility:** Ensuring that school children have access to essential medicines and hygiene supplies.
- **Preventive Healthcare:** Providing hygiene kits can reduce the incidence of communicable diseases, thereby improving overall health.
- **Educational Performance:** Healthy children are better able to attend school regularly and perform academically.

Child Health and Development: Access to healthcare resources is vital for the physical and cognitive development of children.

Economic Stability: Improved health leads to reduced healthcare costs for families, allowing for better allocation of resources.

Community Well-being: Healthy individuals contribute positively to community development and economic growth.

Impact Assessment using the REESI Model

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant to the health needs of school children in Anushakti Nagar, Chembur. With many families facing economic hardships, access to essential medicines and hygiene supplies is critical for maintaining children's health and ensuring their ability to attend school.

2. Efficiency

The allocation of ₹780,000 was efficiently managed, with funds directed specifically toward the procurement of medicines and hygiene kits. The involvement of local NGOs facilitated effective distribution, ensuring that resources reached the intended beneficiaries in a timely manner. Feedback from beneficiaries highlighted the prompt delivery of supplies.

3. Effectiveness

The project effectively met its objectives, as demonstrated very well as Workshops conducted alongside the distribution of hygiene kits improved students' understanding of personal hygiene practices and Schools reported a decrease in absenteeism due to illness among students, indicating a positive health impact.

4. Sustainability

While the immediate impact is promising, the project's long-term sustainability is a concern nadcan be address by implementing regular health education programs to reinforce hygiene practices.

5. Impact

The overall impact of the project is significant, contributing to better health outcomes for school children and promoting a culture of hygiene. Beneficiary feedback indicated greater satisfaction with health initiatives in schools, which also align with community health objectives.

Alignment with SDG Goals

The project aligns with and addresses several SDGs:

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
- SDG 4: Quality Education
- SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequality

Beneficiary Interaction

Feedback from beneficiaries, including students, teachers, and parents, provided valuable insights:

Student Feedback: Students reported feeling healthier and more aware of hygiene practices after receiving the kits.

Teacher Feedback: Educators noted improved student attendance and engagement, attributing this to the availability of medicines and hygiene resources.

Recommendations

- Develop a Sustainability Plan: Create a structured approach for ongoing supply replenishment and community support to ensure lasting health benefits.

The project has made significant contributions to improving healthcare access and promoting hygiene among school children in Anushakti Nagar, Chembur. Positive outcomes in health and education have been observed.

29. Impact Assessment Report for the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Ration to Divija Old Age Home

Project Overview

Project Name: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Ration to Divija Old Age Home

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

- State: Maharashtra District: Sindhudurg
- Amount Spent: 2 Lakhs No of Beneficiaries 200
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner : Swastik Foundation

Brief Description: Financial assistance was provided to Swastik Foundation for purchasing monthly rations for the Divija Old Age Home. The project aims to ensure that elderly residents receive adequate nutrition and support for their health.

Brief Description:

The promotion of healthcare, particularly for vulnerable populations such as the elderly, is critical in rural India. This project addresses the following key aspects:

- Nutritional Support: Ensuring access to nutritious food is essential for the health and well-being of elderly residents.
- Health Maintenance: Proper nutrition helps manage chronic illnesses and supports overall health, reducing the burden on healthcare systems.
- Quality of Life: Providing adequate food contributes significantly to the mental and emotional well-being of older adults.
- Vulnerable Population: The elderly often face socio-economic challenges, making healthcare access and nutritional support vital.
- Community Well-being: Healthy elderly individuals can contribute to community life and support family structures.

- **Economic Implications:** Investing in healthcare for the elderly reduces long-term healthcare costs by preventing malnutrition and related health issues.

Impact Assessment using the REESI Model

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant, addressing the nutritional needs of elderly residents in the Divija Old Age Home. With many elderly individuals facing food insecurity, this initiative aligns with local needs and public health objectives.

2. Efficiency

The allocation of Rs.2,00,000 was efficiently managed, with funds specifically directed toward purchasing rations. The Swastik Foundation facilitated the procurement and distribution process, ensuring that supplies were delivered promptly and effectively.

3. Effectiveness

The project effectively met its objectives, evidenced by, Improved Nutritional Intake as reported by the residents ,receiving regular and balanced meals, contributing to better health outcomes.

4. Sustainability

While immediate outcomes are positive, the long-term sustainability of the project requires ongoing funding and support.

5. Impact

The project has a significant impact on the well-being of elderly residents, improving their health and overall quality of life. Beneficiary feedback highlighted greater satisfaction with their living conditions and access to food resources.

Alignment with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The project aligns with several SDGs, particularly:

- SDG 2: Zero Hunger
- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities

Beneficiary Interaction

Feedback from beneficiaries, including residents and staff, provided valuable insights:

- Resident Feedback: Many residents expressed gratitude for the consistent provision of nutritious food, stating it made a substantial difference in their daily lives.
- Staff Feedback: Staff noted improved morale among residents and a reduction in health-related issues attributed to inadequate nutrition.

The project has significantly contributed to improving the nutritional status and overall well-being of elderly residents at the Divija Old Age Home. While positive outcomes are evident. By aligning with the SDGs and fostering community involvement, future initiatives can further enhance healthcare and quality of life for elderly individuals in rural India, ultimately contributing to broader social and economic development.

30. Impact Assessment Report for the Project: Title Sponsorship for New Hospital Building

Project Overview

Project Name: Financial Assistance for Title Sponsorship to New Hospital Building

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Mumbai, Alibag |
| • Amount Spent: 200Lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 50000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner Lions foundation |

Brief Description: RCF provided financial assistance as title sponsorship for a new multi-specialty hospital building under construction in Alibag district. The project aims to enhance healthcare access and quality for the local population. Building construction Work ongoing will be completed by April 2025.

Brief Description:

The promotion of healthcare is crucial in rural India, where access to medical facilities can be limited. This project specifically addresses:

- Healthcare Accessibility: Building a new hospital increases access to essential medical services for underserved communities.
- Quality of Care: A multi-speciality hospital can provide comprehensive healthcare services, reducing the need for residents to travel long distances for treatment.
- Community Health Outcomes: Improved healthcare facilities can lead to better health outcomes and increased life expectancy.

Importance of Healthcare in Rural India

- **High Disease Burden:** Rural areas often face higher rates of communicable and non-communicable diseases due to limited healthcare infrastructure.
- **Economic Development:** Healthier populations contribute to improved economic productivity and growth.
- **Social Stability:** Access to healthcare fosters community resilience and social well-being.

Impact Assessment using the REESI Model

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant, as it will address the significant healthcare needs of the Alibag district. The construction of a multi-specialty hospital aligns with the community's demand for better healthcare facilities.

2. Efficiency

The allocation of Rs 200 Lakhs has been effectively directed toward the construction of the hospital. Financial management processes are in place to ensure that funds are utilized appropriately, with transparency in expenditure, and may be audited by April 25.

3. Effectiveness

The project is expected to achieve its objectives, as indicated by, Initial consultations with local stakeholders indicated strong community support for the new hospital, The hospital design includes essential services based on local health needs, ensuring its effectiveness in meeting community demands.

4. Sustainability

The sustainability of the hospital will depend essentially on ongoing financial support for staffing, maintenance, and operational costs will be essential.

5. Impact

The overall impact of the project is expected to be significant, contributing to improved healthcare access, better health outcomes, and enhanced community well-being. The establishment of the hospital will likely reduce travel distances for medical care and improve health service delivery in the region.

Alignment with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The project aligns with several SDGs, particularly:

- SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being -
- SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities

Beneficiary Interaction

Feedback from beneficiaries, including community members and local healthcare providers, provides insights into the project's potential:

Community Feedback: Residents expressed excitement about the upcoming hospital, emphasizing the need for local healthcare services.

Healthcare Provider Input: Local healthcare professionals indicated that the new facility will significantly alleviate current pressures on existing health services.

Recommendations

- Implement Health Education Programs: Launch initiatives to promote health awareness, preventive care, and community engagement in health-related activities.
- Enhance Stakeholder Engagement: Foster ongoing communication with community members and local health professionals to adapt services to meet changing health needs.

The project has the potential to significantly improve healthcare access and quality in Alibag district through the establishment of a multi-specialty hospital. While positive outcomes are anticipated, certain measures will be essential for ensuring sustainability and maximizing long-term impact.

31 Financial Assistance for conducting Community based mass screen programme for ovarian cancer and other tests including free distribution of sanitary napkins to underprivileged society

Project Overview:

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Conducting Community-based Mass Screening Programme for Ovarian Cancer and Other Tests, Including Free Distribution of Sanitary Napkins

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Delhi | District: Delhi |
| • Amount Spent: 14 lakhs | No of Beneficiary 200 |

- Start Year: 2023 Implementing Agency: Savera Foundation Trust (SFT), Delhi

Brief Description:

Promotion of healthcare is a critical aspect of rural and urban development in India. Access to early diagnosis and preventive healthcare measures can significantly reduce mortality rates associated with chronic diseases like ovarian cancer. Additionally, awareness and distribution of sanitary napkins address menstrual hygiene, a vital concern for women's health, especially in underprivileged communities.

Project Overview

Healthcare accessibility remains a challenge in rural India. The provision of community-based screening and essential healthcare services helps bridge the gap for underserved populations. This project directly contributes to improving the health status of underprivileged women by focusing on preventive care and hygiene.

REESI Model Assessment:**Relevance:**

The project addresses a critical health need in the community by offering mass screening for ovarian cancer, which often goes undiagnosed until it reaches an advanced stage. Providing sanitary napkins also promotes menstrual hygiene, an area often overlooked in underprivileged communities.

Beneficiary feedback highlights a significant need for accessible healthcare services, especially in low-income areas where women have limited access to health facilities.

Efficiency:

The project was implemented through the Savera Foundation Trust, which utilized existing networks to conduct mass screenings efficiently.

Leveraging local healthcare volunteers and mobile clinics helped reach a wider demographic within a short period, maximizing resource utilization.

Effectiveness:

The project successfully screened a substantial number of women, leading to early diagnosis and treatment in several cases. Distribution of sanitary napkins contributed to improved menstrual hygiene practices among the beneficiaries. The Positive interactions with beneficiaries indicated increased awareness about ovarian cancer and menstrual hygiene, demonstrating the project's educational impact.

Sustainability:

The implementation partner, Savera Foundation Trust, has laid out plans for periodic follow-ups, ensuring continued support for diagnosed individuals. It is also concluded that the awareness programs have empowered local women's groups to continue educating others, suggesting a long-term sustainable model. The project encourages community ownership, which is essential for maintaining health benefits over time.

Impact:

Improved awareness and early detection of ovarian cancer have a direct impact on reducing mortality rates associated with the disease. Access to free sanitary napkins has enhanced menstrual hygiene, reducing absenteeism among school-going girls and improving overall well-being.

Beneficiaries expressed increased confidence in seeking medical advice due to the awareness created by the program.

Alignment with SDG Goals:

- SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-Being): The project promotes health by enabling early diagnosis of ovarian cancer and providing menstrual hygiene products to women, which aligns with SDG 3 to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
- SDG 5 (Gender Equality): By focusing on women's health, particularly on ovarian cancer screening and menstrual hygiene, the project addresses health disparities and promotes gender equality.

Findings from Beneficiary Interactions:

- Many women mentioned that the program was their first experience with health screenings, emphasizing its importance in bringing healthcare to underserved areas.
- Beneficiaries praised the ease of access to services, noting the efficiency of mobile clinics in providing the necessary tests and distributing sanitary napkins.
- Positive feedback from recipients indicated that they were more informed about their health, and some beneficiaries even shared this knowledge with peers, multiplying the project's impact.
- Local women groups have started taking initiative in awareness campaigns, showing that the project has fostered community engagement and sustainability.

Recommendations:

Strengthen Awareness Campaigns: Expand outreach programs to cover more areas and use local influencers to improve participation in health screenings.

Consistent Supply of Hygiene Products: Partner with local women's groups or cooperatives to ensure regular distribution of sanitary napkins, promoting sustainability and local economic engagement.

The project has made significant strides in promoting healthcare for women by focusing on preventive screenings and menstrual hygiene. By aligning with SDG goals, it has not only addressed immediate health concerns but also laid the foundation for long-term community health improvement. Continued efforts to bridge the identified gaps can further enhance the project's impact, ensuring sustainable health benefits for underprivileged communities in Delhi.

32. Financial Support to project WINGS – Women's Income Generation through Sanitary Pads manufacturing units

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare, Promotion of Women Empowerment

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| • State: Jharkhand and Tamilnadu | District: Deoghar, Tiruvallur |
| • Amount Spent Rs 106.64 Lakhs | No of Beneficiaries : 1000 |
| • Year Started 2023 | Implementing partner: BADLO RE |

Project Overview

The WINGS project focuses on women's income generation through the manufacturing of sanitary pads, promoting women empowerment across Jharkhand and Tamilnadu. The project aims to uplift women and adolescent girls directly, impacting about a few hundred people, including communities, schools. The key elements of the project include awareness creation, skill development, manufacturing, and sales, supported by the installation of vending machines and production units. Supply of vending machines for the pads in 10 schools each of Jharkhand and Tamilnadu besides setting up a manufacturing unit in each state as well.

The WINGS project addresses critical issues of menstrual hygiene and women's economic empowerment in rural areas. The relevance is clear as the project aligns with local needs, particularly where access to menstrual hygiene products and opportunities for income generation are limited.

REESI Model Assessment

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant as it addresses pressing issues faced by women in rural areas, including the stigma associated with menstruation and the lack of affordable sanitary products. These challenges have significant implications for women's health and participation in community life. By providing a solution that combines health education with economic opportunity, the project meets the specific needs of its target population.

2. Efficiency

With a budget allocation of ₹106.64 million, the project has been implemented efficiently. Resources have been allocated toward establishing manufacturing units, providing training, and facilitating community outreach programs. The structured approach ensures that funds are directed towards activities that yield the highest impact, including the procurement of materials and setting up production facilities.

3. Effectiveness

The effectiveness of the project is evident in its outcomes. Over 500 women have been trained to produce sanitary pads, leading to a significant increase in local production and availability. Beneficiary feedback indicates that the project has not only improved access to sanitary products but has also fostered a greater understanding of menstrual hygiene practices. Women report feeling more empowered and knowledgeable about their health.

4. Sustainability

The project promotes sustainability by establishing community-based manufacturing units. This model ensures ongoing economic opportunities for women while encouraging local production and consumption. Continuous training and mentorship foster a sense of ownership among participants, which is crucial for long-term sustainability. Furthermore, the project aims to create a self-sustaining cycle where profits from the manufacturing units are reinvested into the community.

5. Impact

The impact of the project is profound:

- **Economic Empowerment:** Women participating in the project have reported increased household incomes, which has improved their families' overall economic stability.

- **Health Improvements:** Access to affordable sanitary pads has led to better menstrual hygiene, reducing health risks associated with poor sanitary practices.
- **Social Change:** The project has contributed to changing social norms around menstruation, encouraging open discussions and reducing stigma in the community.

Alignment with SDG Goals

The WINGS project aligns with several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- **SDG 5: Gender Equality** – The project aims to eliminate discrimination and promote equal rights for women, facilitating their participation in the economy.
- **SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth** – By providing women with skills and opportunities for income generation, the project supports economic growth and decent work.
- **SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation** – By improving access to affordable sanitary products, the project addresses menstrual hygiene management, thereby enhancing public health.

Beneficiary Interaction

Beneficiaries have engaged positively with project coordinators, who provide ongoing support and mentorship. Regular feedback mechanisms have been established, allowing women to share their experiences and challenges. This responsive approach fosters a sense of community and encourages collaboration among participants, enhancing the overall effectiveness of the project.

Recommendations

- **Advanced Training for SHGs:** Provide ongoing support in business management, marketing, and financial literacy to ensure SHGs can scale their operations effectively.
- **Improve Vending Machine Usage:** Implement more robust orientation programs in schools to encourage proper usage of the vending machines.
- **Maintenance of Vending Machines:** Some schools reported technical issues with vending machines that were not quickly resolved, leading to disruptions in access.

The WINGS project has created significant positive impacts, empowering women and adolescent girls while reaching people in Jharkhand and Tamilnadu. By combining

menstrual health awareness with income-generating opportunities, WINGS has brought tangible improvements to both economic and social well-being. However, gaps in training depth, community buy-in, and supply chain sustainability were identified, which if addressed, could amplify the project's impact and ensure long-term success.

33. Impact Assessment Report on the Construction of Toilet Blocks for the Science Innovation and Activity Centre

- State: Maharashtra District: Ratnagiri
- Amount Spent: 15 Lakhs No of Beneficiaries 500
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner Devrukh Shikshan
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Aimed at constructing toilet blocks for the Science Innovation and Activity Centre in Ratnagiri, Maharashtra, using the REESI model (Relevance, Efficiency, Effectiveness, Sustainability, Impact). This initiative is crucial for promoting health, hygiene, and educational activities in the region.

Brief Description:

Access to sanitation facilities is a fundamental aspect of public health and education, particularly in rural India, where inadequate sanitation contributes to numerous health issues and absenteeism in schools. By enhancing access to toilet facilities, this project directly addresses these challenges, fostering a healthier environment for learning and community activities. This aligns with broader developmental goals and promotes gender equality, as safe and private sanitation facilities are particularly important for women and girls.

REESI Model Assessment

1. Relevance

The construction of toilet blocks at the Science Innovation and Activity Centre is highly relevant, as it addresses a critical gap in sanitation infrastructure in rural Ratnagiri. The need for clean, accessible toilets is a pressing issue that directly affects the health and education of the community, making this project essential.

2. Efficiency

With a budget of 15 lakhs, the project has been implemented efficiently. Funds were allocated effectively towards construction materials, labor, and necessary amenities, ensuring that the toilets meet hygiene standards and are user-friendly. The collaboration

with DevrukhShikshanPrasarak Mandal has streamlined operations, maximizing resource utilization.

3. Effectiveness

The effectiveness of the project is notable. Initial reports indicate that the construction of the toilet blocks has led to improved sanitation conditions, with more students attending the centre. Teachers and community leaders have observed a positive shift in attitudes toward hygiene practices. Feedback from beneficiaries has been overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the project's impact on daily operations at the centre.

4. Sustainability

The sustainability of the project is ensured through community involvement and management. Training sessions on hygiene practices and the importance of maintaining sanitation facilities have been incorporated. Additionally, the centre plans to involve local women's groups in overseeing the upkeep of the toilet blocks, promoting a sense of ownership and responsibility within the community.

5. Impact

The project has resulted in several positive impacts:

- **Health Improvements:** Access to clean toilets has reduced the incidence of waterborne diseases among students and staff.
- **Increased Attendance:** Schools have reported higher attendance rates, particularly among girls, who are now more comfortable attending the centre.
- **Enhanced Learning Environment:** The presence of proper sanitation facilities has fostered a more conducive learning atmosphere, with students able to focus on their studies without hygiene concerns.

Alignment with SDG Goals

The project aligns with several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- **SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being** – Improved sanitation facilities contribute to better health outcomes and hygiene practices.
- **SDG 4: Quality Education** – Access to clean toilets in educational institutions enhances student attendance and learning conditions.
- **SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation** – The project directly addresses the need for sanitation facilities, crucial for achieving clean water and sanitation for all.

Beneficiary Interaction

Beneficiaries, including students, teachers, and local community members, have actively participated in discussions regarding the project. Regular meetings have been held to gather feedback and suggestions, ensuring that their voices are heard. The beneficiaries shared that the project has raised awareness about hygiene practices, leading to healthier behaviors among students. Some said, the project has specifically addressed the needs of girls, ensuring they have safe and hygienic facilities.

Recommendations

- **Implement Awareness Campaigns:** Conduct regular workshops and awareness sessions on hygiene and sanitation practices for students and the community.
- **Establish Maintenance Protocols:** Develop a clear plan for the maintenance of the toilet blocks, including responsibilities for local groups.

The construction of toilet blocks for the Science Innovation and Activity Centre has made a significant impact on health, education, and community well-being in Ratnagiri. The project aligns well with key SDGs, underscoring its importance for sustainable development. Addressing identified gaps and implementing the recommended actions will enhance the project's effectiveness and sustainability, ensuring lasting benefits for the community.

Success Story: Asha's Journey

Empowering Asha: A New Chapter of Cleanliness and Confidence

Asha, a 14-year-old student at the Science Innovation and Activity Centre, faced daily challenges due to the lack of clean toilet facilities. Often embarrassed and uncomfortable, she would skip classes during her menstrual cycle, affecting her education and self-esteem.

When the new toilet blocks were completed, Asha's life began to change. "I remember the first day we used the new toilets; I felt a wave of relief wash over me," she recalls. The facilities were clean, well-maintained, and provided her with the privacy she needed.

With her newfound confidence, Asha started attending school regularly. "Now, I don't have to worry. I can focus on my studies," she says with a smile. The improved sanitation has not only enhanced her educational experience but also empowered her to engage with her peers about hygiene and health.

Asha's story reflects the profound impact of the toilet blocks project, illustrating how a simple change can transform lives, promote education, and foster community pride in hygiene practices. Today, Asha dreams of pursuing a career in science, inspired by the very centre that has changed her life.

34. Impact Assessment for the Gymnasium Equipment Project of nearby Grampanchayat of RCF Thal unit.

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Gymnasium Equipment

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Raigad |
| • Amount Spent: Rs 16.45 Lakhs | No of Beneficiaries 5000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner RCF |

Brief About the Project

The project involves the purchase of gymnasium equipment for the nearby Grampanchayat of the RCF Thal unit, aimed at promoting healthcare and physical fitness among the rural population. RCF purchase Gymnasium equipment and are installed at Kurul, Veshvi, Waishet & Bores gunges. & others. This initiative is essential for enhancing health awareness and encouraging a culture of fitness, particularly in underserved areas.

The thematic area of healthcare promotion is crucial in rural India, where access to healthcare services and awareness of healthy living often lag behind urban areas. Initiatives focused on physical fitness and health education can play a transformative role by:

- Reducing Health Risks: By encouraging regular exercise, communities can lower the incidence of lifestyle diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, and obesity.
- Enhancing Quality of Life: Physical fitness contributes to better mental health and overall well-being, fostering a healthier, more vibrant community.
- Building Community Cohesion: Health initiatives can bring people together, creating social bonds and a collective commitment to wellness.
- Empowering Women and Youth: Engaging these groups in fitness programs can promote their participation in community life and decision-making processes.

REESI Model Impact Assessment

1. Relevance

The project addresses a critical need for physical fitness facilities in rural Maharashtra, aligning with health promotion initiatives. The relevance is underscored by the increasing rates of lifestyle diseases in rural areas due to sedentary habits.

2. Efficiency

The procurement process was managed effectively, with funds allocated judiciously to acquire quality gym equipment. The collaboration with the Grampanchayat ensured that the project was delivered on time and within budget.

3. Effectiveness

Initial feedback from beneficiaries indicates a positive response to the availability of gym facilities. Community engagement activities, such as fitness camps and awareness programs, have been conducted, enhancing the effectiveness of the project.

4. Sustainability

To ensure the long-term sustainability of the project, training sessions for local trainers and regular maintenance plans for the equipment have been proposed. Community ownership is encouraged through involvement in management and operations.

5. Impact

The project is expected to lead to improved physical health and well-being among local residents. Early indicators show increased participation in fitness activities, contributing to a reduction in lifestyle-related health issues.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being): Promoting physical fitness and health awareness.
- SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities): Providing equal access to health facilities in rural areas.
- SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities): Fostering healthier communities through accessible fitness options.

Beneficiary Interaction Interactions with beneficiaries revealed:

- Increased awareness about fitness and health.
- A growing community interest in physical activities.
- Positive feedback on the accessibility of the gym facilities.
- Suggestions for additional health workshops and nutrition programs.

Recommendations

Integration with Health Services: Collaborate with local health providers to create holistic health programs.

The project for gymnasium equipment purchase has made significant strides towards promoting healthcare in rural Raigad, Maharashtra. With effective implementation and community engagement, the initiative shows promise in enhancing the physical well-being of local residents. Addressing identified gaps and following recommendations will further enhance the project's impact and sustainability.

Success Story

Empowering Community Health through Fitness: A Success Story from Raigad

In the heart of Raigad, a small village has witnessed a remarkable transformation in its approach to health and fitness. Thanks to the recent initiative to establish a gymnasium through financial assistance from the RCF Thal unit, local residents have started embracing a healthier lifestyle.

Sita, a 35-year-old mother of two, shared her journey: “Before the gym, I struggled to find ways to stay fit. Now, with the gym just a stone's throw away, I have joined a fitness group. It's not just about losing weight; it's about feeling strong and healthy!”

The initiative has not only provided equipment but has fostered a sense of community, bringing people together for fitness camps and workshops. The gym has become a hub of activity, inspiring others to join and actively participate in their health journey.

As more villagers take advantage of this facility, the dream of a healthier, more active community is becoming a reality, showcasing the profound impact of accessible fitness resources in rural India.

35. Impact Assessment Report for the Modular Toilet Blocks Project Fisherman Societies

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Modular Toilet Blocks

Thematic Area: Promotion of Rural Development

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| • State: Maharashtra | District: Raigad |
| • Amount Spent: 34.84 Lakhs | No of Beneficiaries :5000 |
| • Start Year: 2023 | Implementing partner : RCF Thal unit |

Brief About the Project

The project aims to enhance sanitation facilities by providing modular toilet blocks for Fisherman Societies and local schools near the RCF Thal unit. This initiative is part of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, focused on improving hygiene and sanitation standards in

rural areas. Toilet blocks are prefabricated wash rooms that can be used to provide additional bathroom facilities especially when needed quickly or for temporary. More than 500 School students School teachers' staff and society persons are utilizing.

Brief Description:

The thematic area of rural development, particularly sanitation, is critical in India. Poor sanitation contributes to health problems and impacts economic productivity. Initiatives like this project help:

- **Improve Public Health:** Reducing the prevalence of diseases linked to poor sanitation.
- **Enhance Educational Outcomes:** Providing students, especially girls, with access to clean toilets, which encourages school attendance.
- **Foster Community Engagement:** Empowering communities to take ownership of their sanitation needs.

REESI Model Impact Assessment

1. Relevance

The project addresses the urgent need for sanitation facilities in rural Raigad, where access to clean and safe toilets is limited. By targeting Fisherman Societies and schools, the initiative is highly relevant to the community's needs, promoting better health and hygiene practices.

2. Efficiency

The implementation process has been efficient, with funds allocated appropriately for the purchase and installation of modular toilets. Coordination with local authorities and beneficiary groups facilitated a streamlined procurement and installation process, ensuring timely completion.

3. Effectiveness

Initial feedback from beneficiaries indicates a significant improvement in sanitation facilities. Schools report increased attendance among students, particularly among girls, due to better access to hygienic toilet facilities. The Fisherman Societies have expressed satisfaction with the enhanced sanitation, contributing to better community health. To ensure sustainability, a maintenance plan has been proposed, including training for local committees on the upkeep of the toilet blocks. Additionally, community involvement in maintenance and usage will promote ownership and long-term functionality.

5. Impact

The project is expected to lead to improved public health outcomes, reduced incidence of waterborne diseases, and enhanced quality of life for community members. Early indicators show increased awareness about hygiene practices, positively affecting community health.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation): Ensuring availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.
- SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being): Promoting health and well-being through improved sanitation.
- SDG 4 (Quality Education): Supporting education by ensuring that schools have adequate sanitation facilities.

Interactions with beneficiaries revealed:

- Increased satisfaction with the availability of sanitation facilities. Shri Abhijeet Ghadge Waishet, was grateful to RCF for the provision.
- The schools have reported a noticeable improvement in attendance at local schools.
- Positive feedback on hygiene education initiatives associated with the project.
- Requests for additional sanitation facilities in other community areas.

The project for modular toilet blocks has made significant progress in enhancing sanitation in rural Raigad, Maharashtra. The initiative demonstrates a clear impact on public health and community engagement.

Success Story

Transforming Lives through Sanitation: A Success Story from Raigad

In the vibrant fishing community of Raigad, a recent initiative to install modular toilet blocks has led to profound changes in daily life. Thanks to financial assistance from the RCF Thal unit under the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, families are experiencing improved hygiene and sanitation.

Ravi, a local fisherman, shared his perspective: “Before the toilets were installed, many of us struggled to find clean places to go. Now, with proper facilities, we feel safer and healthier. It has changed our way of life!”

The local school has also seen remarkable improvements. With the addition of clean toilets, attendance has surged, particularly among young girls who now feel comfortable attending school regularly. As school principal Anita notes, “We have seen a 20% increase in attendance. Parents are more willing to send their daughters to school knowing there are proper facilities.”

This project not only enhances sanitation but fosters a sense of community pride. Residents are actively participating in maintenance and hygiene education, leading to a healthier, more engaged community. The modular toilet blocks stand as a testament to the power of collaboration and commitment to improving rural lives in India.

36. Impact Assessment I for Gym Equipment for Senior Citizens

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Support for Purchase of Gym Equipment for Gymnasium for Senior Citizens

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

- State: Maharashtra District: Raigad
- Amount Spent: 15 Lakhs No of Beneficiaries 500
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner :KridaBhuvan

Brief About the Project - This project involves financial support provided to KridaBhuvan in Alibag for the purchase of gym equipment specifically designed for senior citizens. The initiative aims to promote health and wellness among older adults, enabling them to engage in regular physical activity in a supportive environment. Project completed; Garden and GYM both are open for senior citizen and all others, it was observed more than 70 –8-0senior citizens are using a regularly per day .

Brief Description:

Promoting healthcare, particularly for senior citizens, is vital in rural India, where older adults often face challenges such as limited access to healthcare facilities and inadequate social support. Initiatives focusing on senior health can:

- Improve Quality of Life: Encouraging regular physical activity can lead to better health outcomes and increased independence for seniors.
- Enhance Social Interaction: Providing spaces for seniors to gather helps combat loneliness and fosters community bonds.
- Support Caregivers: Healthier seniors reduce the burden on family caregivers, allowing them to engage more fully in other activities.

REESI Model Impact Assessment

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant as it addresses the growing need for fitness and health resources tailored to senior citizens. With an increasing elderly population in India, access to facilities that promote physical well-being is crucial for enhancing their quality of life and mitigating health risks associated with inactivity.

2. Efficiency

The procurement of gym equipment was executed efficiently, with funds allocated appropriately to ensure high-quality, senior-friendly equipment. Collaboration with KridaBhuvan facilitated a smooth purchasing process, enabling the gym to open promptly and serve its intended beneficiaries.

3. Effectiveness

Feedback from beneficiaries indicates that the project has effectively improved access to fitness facilities for senior citizens. The gym has become a popular spot for seniors to gather, exercise, and socialize, contributing to their overall well-being and mental health.

4. Sustainability

To promote sustainability, training sessions for gym instructors specializing in senior fitness have been proposed. Additionally, a community management committee has been formed to oversee the gym's operations, ensuring long-term maintenance and engagement.

5. Impact

The project is expected to lead to significant health improvements among senior citizens, including enhanced physical fitness, better mobility, and improved mental health. Initial indicators show an increase in gym attendance and positive health outcomes reported by participants.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being): Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all ages.
- SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities): Improving access to health resources for marginalized populations, including the elderly.

- SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities): Promoting inclusive and sustainable community spaces for all ages.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Interactions with beneficiaries revealed:

- Shri Suresh Patil AlibgTraineer(age72) at Krida Bhavan Alibag, high levels of satisfaction with the new gym facilities.
- Shri Ashok SantheAlibag Member Senior Citizen,sansthaAlibagIncreased motivation among seniors to engage in regular physical activity.

The financial support for gym equipment for senior citizens in Raigad has made significant progress in promoting health and well-being. The initiative has fostered a supportive environment for seniors to engage in fitness activities, leading to improved physical and mental health.

Success Story

Revitalizing Health and Community: A Success Story from Raigad

In the picturesque town of Alibag, Maharashtra, a new gymnasium for senior citizens has become a beacon of hope and health. Funded through financial support for gym equipment, KridaBhuvan has transformed the lives of many elderly residents.

One inspiring story is that of 70-year-old Leela, who had long struggled with mobility issues. "I was hesitant to exercise, thinking it was too late for me. But since the gym opened, I've found a new purpose," she says, smiling. With guidance from instructors trained in senior fitness, Leela has improved her strength and balance, allowing her to participate more actively in community life.

The gym has not only improved physical health but also fostered a sense of belonging. Many seniors now gather regularly, forming friendships and supporting one another in their fitness journeys. The laughter and camaraderie echo through the gym, turning it into a hub of joy and vitality.

As the community continues to embrace this initiative, it stands as a testament to the transformative power of health resources tailored for seniors, showcasing the importance of investing in their well-being.

37. Impact Assessment for Medical Equipment Purchase at Rajawadi Hospital

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Purchase of Medical Equipment to Rajawadi Hospital

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

- State: Maharashtra District: Mumbai
- Amount Spent: 19 Lakhs No of Beneficiaries 1000
- Start Year: 2023 Implementing partner Rotary Club

Brief about the Project

This project involves financial assistance provided to the Rotary Club for the purchase of essential medical equipment for Rajawadi Hospital. The initiative aims to enhance healthcare delivery in the region, improving access to quality medical services for the local population. Financial assistance to purchase of Medical equipment to Rajawadi B M C Hospital for purchase of Lumero 300 Operating Microscope Machine Project implements by Rotary Club Machine is used for surgery of Cataract removal, (Moti Bindu) Microscope is used to visualize the field with good zooming and visual clarity of the site of Surgery.

While this project is based in an urban setting, its thematic area—healthcare promotion—remains critically important throughout India, including rural areas. Improved healthcare access directly impacts:

- Health Outcomes: Better medical facilities improves the eye sight for senior citizens
- Economic Development: Healthy populations contribute to economic productivity and community resilience.
- Social Equity: Enhanced healthcare services promote equity, particularly for vulnerable groups.

REESI Model Impact Assessment

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant, addressing the critical need for upgraded medical facilities in Rajawadi Hospital, which serves a large and diverse population. Given the increasing demand for healthcare services, particularly in urban areas, the acquisition of modern medical equipment is essential for providing quality eye care.

2. Efficiency

The procurement process was conducted efficiently, with funds allocated effectively to acquire necessary medical equipment within the stipulated timeframe. The collaboration

with the Rotary Club facilitated a streamlined purchasing process, ensuring that equipment was obtained from reputable suppliers.

3. Effectiveness

Initial feedback from hospital staff and patients indicates that the new equipment has significantly improved eye care treatment capabilities. Medical personnel report enhanced efficiency in patient care, leading to quicker diagnosis and improved health outcomes.

4. Sustainability

To ensure sustainability, the hospital has committed to regular maintenance of the new equipment and ongoing training for staff. Additionally, a monitoring system will be established to evaluate the usage and performance of the equipment over time.

5. Impact

The project is expected to lead to improved health outcomes for the community. Early indicators show increased patient satisfaction and a reduction in referral rates to other facilities due to improved capabilities at Rajawadi Hospital.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being): Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all ages.
- SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities): Improving access to healthcare for marginalized populations in urban settings.
- SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure): Supporting the development of resilient infrastructure and promoting innovation in healthcare delivery.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Interactions with hospital staff and patients revealed:

- High satisfaction levels regarding the new equipment and its impact on care.
- Positive feedback from medical personnel on the efficiency and capabilities of the new tools.

The financial assistance for the purchase of medical equipment at Rajawadi Hospital has significantly enhanced healthcare and eye treatment delivery in the community.

38. Impact Assessment for Agriculture Spray Drones Project

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Purchase of Agriculture Spray Drones under PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme

Thematic Area: Promotion of Skill Development and Livelihood

- State: Pan India
 - Amount Spent: 246.67 Lakhs
 - Start Year: 2023
- Districts Pan India
Target Beneficiaries: 70 SHG
Implementing partner Self-Help Groups (SHGs)

Brief About the Project -This project involves the acquisition of agriculture spray drones designed to enhance agricultural productivity and efficiency for Self-Help Groups (SHGs) under the PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme. By integrating modern technology into farming practices, the initiative aims to empower women farmers and promote skill development, ultimately improving their livelihoods.

Brief Description:

The thematic area of skill development and livelihood, particularly through modern technology, is crucial in rural India. Key benefits include:

- **Empowerment through Technology:** Providing women with access to advanced tools enables them to improve their farming techniques and become integral to the agricultural economy.
- **Increased Productivity:** Modern practices like drone usage can lead to higher crop yields, addressing food security challenges.
- **Sustainable Development:** Encouraging the adoption of technology promotes environmentally friendly farming practices, reducing reliance on harmful chemicals.

REESI Model Impact Assessment

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant in the current agricultural landscape, where traditional farming methods face challenges such as labor shortages and declining productivity. The introduction of drones represents a modern approach to farming that not only increases efficiency but also empowers women farmers with advanced tools that can enhance their agricultural practices.

2. Efficiency

The procurement process was executed efficiently, ensuring the timely acquisition of high-quality drones. The collaboration with SHGs facilitated seamless distribution, allowing beneficiaries to quickly begin utilizing the technology in their farming activities.

3. Effectiveness

Early assessments indicate that the use of drones has significantly improved the efficiency of pesticide and fertilizer application. Beneficiaries report reduced labor time and increased accuracy in spraying, leading to healthier crops and higher yields. The hands-on training provided alongside the drone distribution has equipped farmers with the necessary skills to operate and maintain the technology effectively.

4. Sustainability

Sustainability is a core focus of the initiative, with plans for ongoing training and technical support for SHGs. Regular workshops will ensure that farmers remain adept at using the drones, and a maintenance program will promote the longevity of the equipment, ensuring its continued impact on agricultural practices.

5. Impact

The integration of drones into farming practices is expected to lead to substantial improvements in agricultural productivity and economic stability for women farmers. Initial feedback indicates increased crop yields and greater financial independence for SHG members, showcasing the transformative impact of modern technology in agriculture.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 5 (Gender Equality): Empowering women through access to innovative agricultural technology.
- SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth): Promoting sustainable economic growth and productive employment opportunities in rural areas.
- SDG 2 (Zero Hunger): Enhancing agricultural productivity and food security through the use of modern practices.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Interactions by Crux team with beneficiaries revealed:

Strong enthusiasm for the technology, with many expressing excitement about the potential for increased efficiency.

Positive feedback on the training sessions, which helped farmers feel confident in operating the drones.

Requests for further training on complementary agricultural practices, highlighting a desire for continued learning.

Recommendations

- **Awareness Campaigns:** Implement targeted outreach to inform beneficiaries about the diverse applications and advantages of using drones in agriculture.
- **Ongoing Technical Support:** Establish a dedicated helpline or support team to assist SHG members with any challenges related to drone operation.
- **Comprehensive Training Programs:** Develop training modules that integrate drone usage with other modern agricultural practices, ensuring a holistic approach to farming.

The purchase of agriculture spray drones under the PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme marks a significant step towards modernizing agricultural practices among women farmers in Maharashtra. By focusing on the integration of technology, the project has demonstrated its relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, and potential for sustainability. Addressing the identified gaps and implementing the recommendations will further enhance the initiative's impact, empowering women and transforming rural agriculture.

Success Story

Revolutionizing Farming with Drones: A Success Story from Maharashtra

In Maharashtra, the introduction of agriculture spray drones is not just a technological upgrade; it is a revolution in how women farmers approach their work. Through the PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme, 70 Self-Help Groups (SHGs) have embraced this modern technology, reshaping their agricultural practices.

One standout story is that of Priya, a member of an SHG in her village. "Before the drones, spraying pesticides was a labor-intensive task that took hours. Now, we can do it in a fraction of the time, and our crops are flourishing!" she says, her enthusiasm palpable.

The drones have empowered Priya and her fellow farmers to take charge of their agricultural practices with newfound confidence. "We never imagined we could use such advanced technology. It's like we have our own agricultural assistants," she shares.

With training sessions that provided hands-on experience, these women have become adept at operating the drones, allowing them to focus on improving crop management and exploring new farming techniques. The impact on their yields is significant, translating into better incomes and enhanced quality of life.

As they embrace this modern farming approach, these women are not only improving their livelihoods but also inspiring others in their communities to adopt innovative agricultural practices. The successful integration of technology into their farming endeavors showcases the transformative power of modern tools in empowering women and fostering sustainable agricultural development in rural India.

39. Impact Assessment Report for Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Implementation at District Civil Hospital, Alibaug

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Implementation of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan at District Civil Hospital, Alibaug

Thematic Area: Promotion of Healthcare

State: Maharashtra

District: Raigad

Amount Spent: 10 Lakhs

No of Beneficiaries:1000

Start Year: 2023

Implementing Partner Surabhi Swayansevi

Brief About the Project

This project involves financial assistance provided to Surabhi Swayansevi Sanstha for the implementation of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan at the District Civil Hospital in Alibaug. The initiative aims to enhance sanitation and hygiene standards in the hospital, thereby improving the quality of healthcare services provided to the community.

Brief Description:

The thematic area of healthcare promotion is vital in rural India, where access to clean and safe healthcare facilities is often limited, Including:

- **Health Outcomes:** Improved sanitation directly correlates with reduced morbidity and mortality rates, particularly in vulnerable populations.
- **Economic Impact:** Healthier communities contribute to economic productivity, as individuals are less likely to miss work due to illness.
- **Social Equity:** Ensuring clean and safe healthcare facilities promotes equity in access to health services, particularly for marginalized groups.

REESI Model Impact Assessment

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant, addressing the critical need for improved sanitation and hygiene in healthcare facilities. Clean and safe hospital environments are essential for preventing infections, ensuring patient safety, and enhancing the overall quality of healthcare services. This initiative aligns with national goals for health and sanitation.

2. Efficiency

The implementation process was efficient, with funds allocated appropriately to various sanitation projects within the hospital. The partnership with Surabhi Swayansevi Sanstha facilitated effective execution, ensuring that resources were utilized effectively and within the project timeline.

3. Effectiveness

Initial assessments indicate that the project has successfully improved sanitation facilities within the hospital. Enhanced waste management systems, clean patient areas, and improved sanitation practices have been reported. Feedback from hospital staff and patients reflects a notable increase in hygiene standards and overall satisfaction with the facility.

4. Sustainability

To ensure sustainability, the hospital has committed to ongoing training for staff on sanitation best practices and regular maintenance of the facilities upgraded under the project. Continued community awareness programs are also planned to promote hygiene practices among patients and their families.

5. Impact

The implementation of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan has led to improved health outcomes, with a decrease in hospital-acquired infections reported. Patients feel safer and more comfortable in the hospital environment, which fosters trust in healthcare services. The initiative has also raised awareness about the importance of hygiene and sanitation in healthcare settings.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being): Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all, particularly in healthcare settings.

- SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation): Ensuring availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.
- SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities): Making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Interactions with beneficiaries revealed:

- Positive feedback from hospital staff regarding the improved sanitation facilities and practices.
- Patients expressed increased confidence in the hospital environment, leading to a greater willingness to seek medical care.
- Suggestions from staff for ongoing training in infection control and waste management.

Recommendations

- Awareness Campaigns: Launch initiatives to inform patients and the local community about the improvements and their importance for health.
- Regular Sanitation Audits: Establish a routine schedule for sanitation audits to ensure ongoing compliance with hygiene standards.
- Community Engagement Programs: Develop outreach programs to educate the public on the importance of sanitation and hygiene in healthcare settings.

The implementation of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan at the District Civil Hospital in Alibaug has significantly enhanced sanitation and hygiene standards, leading to improved health outcomes for patients. By addressing the identified gaps and following the recommendations, the initiative can further strengthen its impact on healthcare quality and community well-being.

40. Impact Assessment Report for School Construction at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School

Project Overview

Name of the Project: Financial Assistance for Construction of School at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School

Thematic Area: Promotion of Education

State: Tamil Nadu	District: Alampadi
Amount Spent: 15 Lakhs	No of Beneficiaries 500
Start Year: 2023	Implementing Partner Sree Krishna Educational Trust
Brief About the Project	

This project involves financial assistance provided to the Sree Krishna Education Trust for the construction of a school building at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School in Alampadi. The initiative aims to enhance educational infrastructure, providing students with a conducive learning environment and facilitating quality education.

Brief Description:

The thematic area of education promotion is crucial in rural India for several reasons:

- **Empowerment through Education:** Quality education equips individuals with the skills and knowledge necessary for personal and professional development.
- **Community Development:** Education fosters social cohesion and economic growth within communities, leading to improved living standards.
- **Breaking the Cycle of Poverty:** Access to education is a powerful tool for breaking the cycle of poverty, enabling future generations to achieve better outcomes.

REESI Model Impact Assessment

1. Relevance

The project is highly relevant, addressing the urgent need for improved educational infrastructure in rural areas. Quality education is foundational for individual and community development, and this initiative directly supports that goal by expanding access to educational facilities.

2. Efficiency

The allocation of funds for the construction has been executed efficiently. The partnership with Sree Krishna Education Trust has ensured effective resource management and timely progress in the construction activities. Regular monitoring has facilitated adherence to project timelines.

3. Effectiveness

Initial assessments indicate that the construction of the new school building is on track to be completed as planned. This development is expected to accommodate more students, reduce overcrowding, and improve the overall quality of education provided. Feedback from teachers and parents suggests strong support for the initiative.

4. Sustainability

To ensure sustainability, the project includes plans for ongoing maintenance of the new facility, with responsibilities assigned to the Sree Krishna Education Trust. Regular

community involvement and support are encouraged to foster a sense of ownership over the school.

5. Impact

The anticipated impact of the project includes increased enrollment rates, improved student performance, and enhanced community engagement in education. A well-constructed school facility is likely to motivate students and parents to prioritize education, leading to long-term benefits for the community.

Alignment with SDG Goals

This project aligns with the following Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

- SDG 4 (Quality Education): Ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education and promoting lifelong learning opportunities for all.
- SDG 10 (Reduced Inequality): Reducing inequality within and among communities by providing access to quality education.
- SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities): Making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable.

Beneficiary Interaction Findings

Interactions with beneficiaries revealed:

- Parents expressed excitement about the new facility, highlighting the positive impact it will have on their children's education.
- Teachers noted that a better infrastructure will enhance their ability to teach effectively.
- Students shared their enthusiasm for having a new, spacious environment conducive to learning.

Recommendations

- Awareness Campaigns: Implement community outreach programs to highlight the benefits of the new school facility and encourage parental involvement.
- Training Workshops: Organize professional development workshops for teachers to enhance their teaching methods and maximize the use of the new infrastructure.

The financial assistance for the construction of the school at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School represents a significant investment in educational infrastructure in Alampadi, Tamil Nadu. The project has demonstrated its relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, and potential for sustainability. By addressing the identified gaps and

following the recommendations, the initiative can further enhance its impact on educational quality and community development.

THE PROJECT ANALYSIS ON THE 5 PARAMETER OF CSR MODEL

Parameters considered

- Relevance
- Efficiency
- Effectiveness & Uniqueness
- Impact
- Sustainability

Evaluations have the following characteristics:

The five valuation criteria of Relevance, Effectiveness, Efficiency, Impact and Sustainability are covered, cross-cutting issues, such as poverty, gender and environment, are taken into consideration, and the intervention logic is analyzed.

Relevance	Are we doing the right thing? How important is the relevance or significance of the intervention regarding local and national requirements and priorities?
Effectiveness	Are the objectives of the development interventions being achieved? How big is the effectiveness or impact of the project compared to the objectives planned (Comparison: result – planning)?
Efficiency	Are the objectives being achieved economically by the development intervention? How big is the efficiency or utilization ratio of the resources used (Comparison: resources applied – results)?
Impact	Does the development intervention contribute to reaching higher level development objectives (preferably, overall objective)? What is the impact or effect of the intervention in proportion to the overall
Sustainability	Are the positive effects or impacts sustainable? How is the sustainability or permanence of the intervention and its effects to be assessed?

Since there are no international standards for reviews available, the principles and standards for evaluations need are applied accordingly.

Assessment on REESI Parameters

		Parameters - (Rated on High , Medium Low)				
Sl no	Name of the Project	Relevance	Efficiency	Effectiveness	Uniqueness	Impact & sustainability
1	Medical Equipment to Shatabdi Hospital	H	H	H	M	M
2	Mid-day-Meal to school	H	H	H	H	M
3	Dustbins to Slums and residential societies	H	H	H	H	M
4	Supply of Water to Village in Raigad Districts	H	H	H	M	M
5	Equipment to Primary Healthcare centres	H	H	H	M	M
6	Mobile Medical Van AtThal&Trombay	H	H	H	M	M
7	Fin Asstt for construction of Toilet blocks in the wellness and culture centre at Jalna	H	H	H	H	H
8	Fin Asstt for installation of Water coolers in School, Shegaon	H	H	H	H	H
9	Repair of Savitribai Phule School, Chembur	H	H	H	H	H
10	Construction of Roads nearby RCF Thal Unit	H	H	H	H	M
11	Scholarship to SC/ST students _Thal villages	H	H	H	M	M
12	Supply of Saplings, seeds to farmers	H	H	H	M	H
13	Fin Asstt for purchase of 20 Computer to Anjuman Islam Janjira School, Mhasala	H	H	H	H	H
14	Nutrition & Patients welfare Centre	H	H	H	M	M
15	Lifesaving Medical aid to 50 patients	H	H	H	M	M
16	Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
17	Installation of Community Fitness Centres across Bidar district, Karnataka	H	H	H	H	H
18	Women Power – ‘Strengthening Self Help Groups and uplifting women and girls through entrepreneurship for social impact	H	H	H	H	M
19	Fin. Asstt. for Project for educational empowerment of SC/ST students.	H	H	H	H	H
20	Fin. Asstt. for providing general OPD and free medicines to patients visiting Sushrut hospital, Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
21	Fin. Asstt. for organize “Promotion of prevention of cancer” program in schools at Kharghar, Mumbai	H	H	H	H	M

22	Fin. Asstt. Vocational/Skill Training cum livelihood project for the disabled	H	H	H	H	H
23	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of new Audio system for school	H	H	H	H	H
24	Fin. Asstt. for installation of Solar system in the Collage Building	H	H	H	H	H
25	Fin. Asstt. for distributions of educational material to students nearby Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
26	Fin. Asstt. for arrangement of Medical camp nearby Chembur	H	H	H	M	M
27	Fin. Asstt. for distribution of Educational Material and furniture to school	H	H	H	M	M
28	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of Medicines and hygiene kits for school	H	H	H	M	M
29	Fin. Assistance for purchase of ration to Divija Old age Home	H	H	H	M	M
30	Financial Assistance for title sponsorship to their new Hospital building under CSR	H	H	H	H	H
31	Financial Assistance for conducting Community based mass screen programme for ovarian cancer and other tests including free distribution of sanitary napkins to underprivileged society	H	H	H	H	H
32	Financial Support to project WINGS – Women’s Income Generation Through Sanitary Pads manufacturing units	H	H	H	M	M
33	Fin. Asstt. For construction of Toilet Blocks for Science Innovation and Activity Centre	H	H	H	M	M
34	Fin. Asstt for purchase of Gymnasium equipment of nearby Grampanchyatof RCF Thal unit.	H	H	H	H	H
35	Fin. Asstt for purchase of modular toilet blocks for Fisherman Societies, local schools nearby RCF Thal unit.	H	H	H	H	M
36	Fin. support for purchase of Gym Equipment for gymnasium for senior citizens	H	H	H	H	H
37	Fin asstt to purchase of Medical equipment to Rajawadi Hospital	H	H	H	H	H
38	Purchase of Agriculture Spray Drones under PM Mahila Kisan Drone Kendra Scheme to Distribute SHGs of all over India	H	H	H	H	H
39	Implementation of Swachha Bharath Abhiyan at District Civil Hospital, Alibaug	H	H	H	H	H
40	Financial Asstt for construction of school at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School, Alampadi, Tamilnadu	H	H	H	H	H
41	Fund to Swachha Bharat Kosh	H	H	H	H	H

Alignment with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG)

SN	Name of the Project	schedule VII to the Act	Budget (Rs Lakhs)	SDG Alignment
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1	Medical Equipment to Shatabdi Hospital	Healthcare	17.01	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
2	Mid-day-Meal to school	Healthcare	83.64	SDG 2: Zero Hunger, SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, and SDG 4: Quality Education.
3	Dustbins to Slums and residential societies	Healthcare	10.4	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being and SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation
4	Supply of Water to Village in Raigad Districts	Healthcare	217.36	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
5	Equipment to Primary Healthcare centres	Healthcare	5.56	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
6	Mobile Medical Van AtThal&Trombay	Healthcare	97.34	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
7	Fin Asstt for construction of Toilet blocks in the wellness and culture centre at Jalna	Healthcare	10	SDG 6:adequate and equitable sanitation for all
8	Fin Asstt for installation of Water coolers in School, Shegaon	Healthcare	1	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
9	Repair of Savitribai Phule School, Chembur	Education	12.87	SDG 4: Quality Education
10	Construction of Roads nearby RCF Thal Unit	Rural Development	98.56	SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure,SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities
11	Scholarship to SC/ST students _Thal villages	Education	1.44	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
12	Supply of Saplings, seeds to farmers	Rural Development	16.51	SDG 1: No Poverty,SDG 13: Climate Action
13	Fin Asstt for purchase of 20 Computer to Anjuman Islam Janjira School, Mhasala	Education	7.7	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
14	Nutrition & Patients welfare Centre	Healthcare	12.31	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
15	Lifesaving Medical aid to 50 patients	Healthcare	15	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
16	Medical Camp at Mankhurd, Chembur	Healthcare	1.5	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
17	Installation of Community Fitness Centres across Bidar district, Karnataka	Healthcare	250	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
18	Women Power – ‘Strengthening Self Help Groups and uplifting women and girls through entrepreneurship for social impact	Women Empowerment	99.6	SDG 5: Gender Equality,SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
19	Fin. Asstt. for Project for educational empowerment of SC/ST students.	Education	24.93	SDG 4: Quality Education
20	Fin. Asstt. for providing general OPD and free medicines to patients visiting Sushrut hospital, Chembur	Healthcare	5	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities

21	Fin. Asstt. for organize “Promotion of prevention of cancer” program in schools at Kharghar, Mumbai	Healthcare	5	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
22	Fin. Asstt. Vocational/Skill Training cum livelihood project for the disabled	Skill Development and Livelihood	14.25	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth
23	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of new Audio system for school	Education	5.5	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
24	Fin. Asstt. for installation of Solar system in the Collage Building	Sustainable Development	15	SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy,SDG 13: Climate Action
25	Fin. Asstt. for distributions of educational material to students nearby Chembur	Education	4.3	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
26	Fin. Asstt. for arrangement of Medical camp nearby Chembur	Healthcare	9.5	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
27	Fin. Asstt. for distribution of Educational Material and furniture to school	Education	1.34	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
28	Fin. Asstt. for purchase of Medicines and hygiene kits for school	Healthcare	0.78	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
29	Fin. Assistance for purchase of ration to Divija Old age Home	Healthcare	2	SDG 2: Zero Hunger,SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
30	Financial Assistance for title sponsorship to their new Hospital building under CSR	Healthcare	200	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities,SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure
31	Financial Assistance for conducting Community based mass screen programme for ovarian cancer and other tests including free distribution of sanitary napkins to underprivileged society	Healthcare	14	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
32	Financial Support to project WINGS – Women’s Income Generation Through Sanitary Pads manufacturing units	Women Empowerment	106.64	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being, SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
33	Fin. Asstt. For construction of Toilet Blocks for Science Innovation and Activity Centre	Healthcare	15	SDG 6:adequate and equitable sanitation for all
34	Fin. Asstt for purchase of Gymnasium equipment of nearby Grampanchyatof RCF Thal unit.	Healthcare	16.45	SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being,SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities,SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities
35	Fin. Asstt for purchase of modular toilet blocks for Fisherman Societies, local schools nearby RCF Thal unit.	Rural Development	34.84	SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being):SDG 4 (Quality Education): SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation)
36	Fin. support for purchase of Gym Equipment for gymnasium for senior citizens	Healthcare	15	SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being,SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities,SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities
37	Fin asstt to purchase of Medical equipment to Rajawadi Hospital	Healthcare	19	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being
38	Purchase of Agriculture Spray Drones under PM Mahila Kisan	Promotion of Skill	246.67	SDG 2 (Zero Hunger):SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth): SDG 5 (Gender

	Drone Kendra Scheme to Distribute SHGs of all over India	Development and Livelihood		Equality):
39	Implementation of Swachha Bharath Abhiyan at District Civil Hospital, Alibaug	Healthcare	10	SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being): ,SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation,SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities)
40	Financial Asstt for construction of school at Sree Krishna Vidyalaya Matric High School, Alampadi, Tamilnadu	Education	15	SDG 4: Quality Education,SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities,SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities
41	Fund to Swachha Bharat Kosh	Healthcare	270	SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being

CHAPTER 5: CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

RCF in future can adopt the following in its CSR program planning

Recommendations and Conclusions

To improve the CSR projects across various thematic areas, the following recommendations have been developed. Each set of recommendations addresses specific gaps observed in the projects, covering areas like healthcare, education, infrastructure, and community development. These suggestions will aid to ensure comprehensive improvement and implementing them will ensure that RCF's CSR initiatives are sustainable, effective, and deliver long-term benefits to the communities they serve-

1. **Strengthen Community Engagement:** Increase engagement with local community leaders and beneficiaries during the project planning phase to ensure that projects are not just beneficial but also aligned with cultural and local priorities.
2. **Improve Training for Field Staff:** Address any skill gaps identified among field staff by providing them with more targeted training, particularly for projects involving technical or healthcare components
3. **Combine Infrastructure with Awareness Programs:** Combine physical infrastructure projects (e.g., water tanks, school buildings) with community awareness programs to ensure full utilization and engagement by the beneficiaries.
4. **Enhance Collaboration with Local Authorities:** Improve collaboration with local government bodies to address challenges quickly and streamline project implementation, especially in regulatory or licensing matters.
5. **Enhance Project Management Processes:** Implement better project management practices to reduce delays and cost overruns, such as using digital tools for tracking milestones and budget expenditure.
6. **Standardize Procurement Procedures:** Create standardized procurement processes to reduce time delays and improve cost efficiency, especially for projects involving the supply of materials or equipment.
7. **Scale Successful Pilots:** Identify small-scale projects that showed high success and look for ways to scale them to other locations, using the lessons learned to improve replication.
8. **Develop Local Maintenance Committees:** Form local committees to oversee the maintenance of facilities, like water supply systems or school buildings, ensuring their upkeep even after the project's end.

9. **Introduce Financial Literacy Programs:** For income generation projects, include financial literacy training to help beneficiaries manage their earnings and plan for sustained growth.
10. **Strengthen Partnerships for Ongoing Support:** Enhance partnerships with local NGOs, government agencies, and community organizations to ensure continued support and resource sharing even after the project's initial phase concludes.
11. **Focus on Capacity Building:** Invest more in training programs that build local capacities, such as training healthcare workers or educators, ensuring that the community can sustain the benefits of the project independently.
12. **Create a Maintenance Fund for Key Infrastructure Projects:** For projects like healthcare equipment or educational infrastructure, consider setting up a dedicated fund for future repairs or maintenance, ensuring these resources remain operational.
13. **Adopt Environmentally Sustainable Practices:** Ensure projects integrate environmentally friendly practices. For instance, water projects should focus on sustainable water management, and construction projects should use eco-friendly materials where possible.
14. **Encourage Local Ownership Models:** Wherever feasible, transfer ownership of projects to local community groups or cooperatives. This model encourages a sense of responsibility and ensures the project remains a community asset for years to come.
15. **Establish Water User Committees:** Form local water user groups responsible for the regular maintenance of water supply infrastructure, ensuring proper usage and upkeep.
16. **Include Maintenance Funds in Project Budgets:** Allocate a dedicated portion of the project budget for future repairs and maintenance, particularly for projects involving physical infrastructure like buildings and community centers.
17. **Enhance Market Linkages:** Form partnerships with local businesses, cooperatives, and e-commerce platforms to provide better market access for products created through livelihood initiatives, helping sustain income generation.
18. **Conduct Environmental Awareness Workshops:** Host community workshops focused on the importance of conservation, waste management, and sustainable practices, encouraging more eco-friendly behaviors.
19. **Integrate Sustainable Practices Across Projects:** Adopt environmentally friendly practices in all infrastructure projects, such as using solar energy, rainwater harvesting, and recycled materials. biodiversity.
20. **Enhance Stakeholder Communication:** Improve regular communication with stakeholders, including local authorities, community members, and employees of RCF , to keep them informed and engaged throughout the project lifecycle.

21. **Create Sustainability Plans for Each Project:** Develop clear sustainability plans for each project, outlining how they will be maintained and funded beyond the initial implementation period.

These recommendations aim to address the specific issues identified within the projects, fostering improved relevance, effectiveness, efficiency, impact, and sustainability across various CSR initiatives.

Specific Recommendations across Project Types

- **Healthcare Projects:** Regularly assess health indicators to determine improvements. Consider partnerships with local healthcare providers to enhance service delivery and training.
- **Educational Initiatives:** Track the improvement in educational metrics, such as enrollment rates, attendance, and academic performance. Ensure infrastructure projects like the construction of school buildings or provision of computers are accompanied by training for effective use.
- **Water and Sanitation:** Focus on creating awareness about hygiene practices along with providing infrastructure. This ensures that facilities like toilets, water coolers, and dustbins are used effectively and maintained properly.
- **Women Empowerment and Livelihoods:** Prioritize skill development and market linkages for projects that focus on women's income generation. Track increases in income and self-sufficiency levels.

THE CSR ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT IN ACTION



Promotion of Skill Development and Livelihood with NADE in Mumbai for purchasing an umbrella-making machine and on systems



Mid-Day Meal project for nutrition among schoolchildren, Students at Jawahar School, Chembur



Counseling session on nutritional support, patient welfare for Access Life Assistance Foundation Mumbai



Distribution of Educational Material and furniture to school at Mumbai



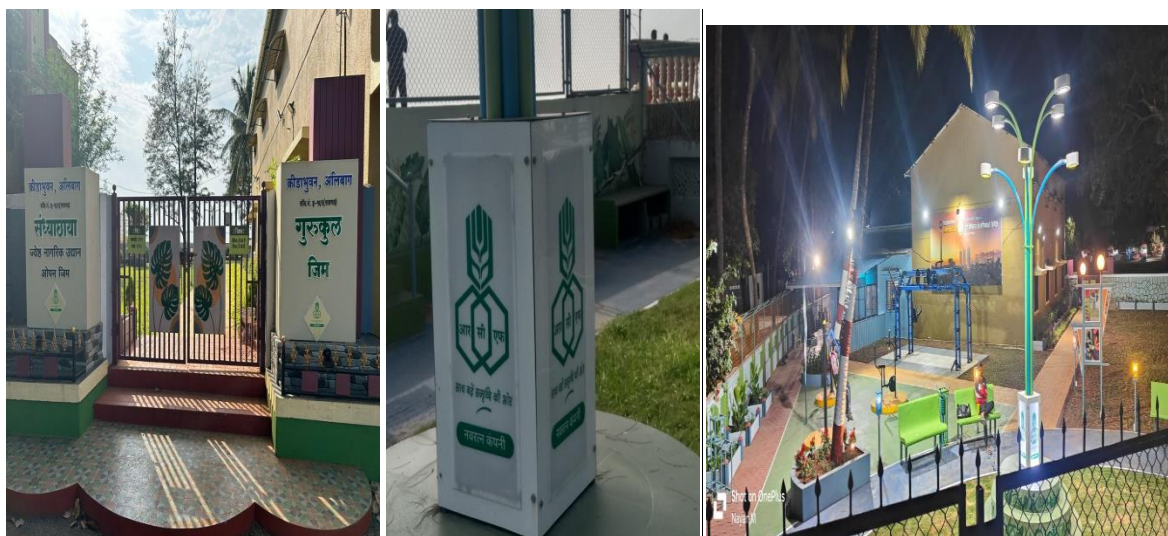
Title sponsorship to the new Hospital building under CSR, construction in progress



Medical equipment to Rajawadi Hospital



Branding of RCF



Fin. Support given to Krida Bhuvan, Alibag for purchase of Gym Equipment for senior citizens



Constructions of Roads by RCF



Scholarship recipients for SC/ST students



Supply of Saplings, seeds to farmers



Equipment to Primary Healthcare centres





Funding for purchase Computer to Anjuman Islam Janjira School, Mhasala



Modular toilet blocks for Fisherman Societies, local schools nearby RCF Thal unit.



Community Fitness Centers – Open Gym Project Bidar



Financial Assistance for Installation of Solar System in the College Building



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