

SEWA INTERNATIONAL'S TOILET AND HYGIENE PROJECT FOR A GIRL CHILD – July, 2018



July 2018 Highlights

- Reinstallation of Portable toilets Bengaluru, Karnataka
- · After-school tuition center Bengaluru, Karnataka
- Project visit by Sewa President, Boston Chapter Bengaluru, Karnataka
- Agra Phase I: Bio Toilet Installation Uttar Pradesh
- Book Distribution Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

I. Reinstallation of portable toilets

Area of work: Bengaluru, Karnataka

As part of our ongoing efforts, we removed portable toilets from Sanjay Gandhi Nagar and Thygi Nagar slums. These removed toilets were repaired and reinstalled in three slums of Jyothiba Phule, Shanti Nagar and JK Basavanna Nagar. (See Table 1 for more details and Figure 1)

Table 1: Earlier challenges faced by people and families impacted by reinstallation of portable toilets

| S.No. | Slum Area | No. of Families | No. of Toilet Units | Pre-Toilet Challenges |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 1 | Jyothiba Phule | 62 | 10 | People walked 3 km to use a public toilet |
| 2 | Shanti Nagar | 24 | 3 | The slum is located next to the main road. This made it difficult and unsafe for women to attend nature calls. |
| 3 | JK Basavanna Nagar | 150 | 8 | Attending nature calls in open fields is dangerous due to poisonous snakes in the area. Recently, a women died of a snake bite. |





Figure 1: Reinstalled toilet units in slums of Jyothiba Phule (left), Shanti nagar (center) and JK Basavanna Nagar (right)

II. After-School Tuition Center

Area of work: Bengaluru, Karnataka

For the academic year 2018-19, we have set up a new after-school tuition center in Annamadevi School, Kumaraswamy Layout. Our summer interns of 2017 had tutored children of this school for two months. The school management was happy with the progress the children had made. This tuition center will focus on students from class 7, 8, 9 and 10 who need additional support (See Figure 2.)

Table 2: Students of our after-school tuition center

| S.No. | Class | No of boys | No of girls | Total |
|-------|-------|------------|-------------|-------|
| 1 | 7th | 8 | 9 | 17 |
| 2 | 8th | 13 | 12 | 25 |
| 3 | 9th | 9 | 5 | 14 |
| 4 | 10th | 8 | 4 | 12 |
| | Total | | | 68 |





Figure 2: After-school tuition center at Annamadevi School, Kumaraswamy Layout

III. Project visit by president of Sewa Boston chapter

Area of work: Bengaluru, Karnataka

Sewa Boston chapter president, Raju ji, visited our project sites in Bengaluru. He visited Jyothiba Phule slum where we have re-installed 10 toilets and Narendra Nele (See Figure 3) which is an orphanage administered by Hindu Seva Pratishtana.

Sewa is closely associated with Narendra Nele, as this is the site of our daily after-school tuitions as well as free medical camps for children.



Figure 3: Raju ji with Sewa team at Narendra Nele (left) and at Jyothiba Pule slum (right)



IV. Agra Phase I - Bio Toilet installation

Area of work: Agra, Uttar Pradesh

Phase I of toilet installation was completed at Agra successfully. We had narrowed down 10 schools from the list of 25 schools provided by the education department, and have installed 10 toilets in the selected schools. (See Table 3). Phase II will see us installing toilets in the remaining 15 schools.

Sometimes, we hired smaller trucks for transportation due to the narrow roads. Also, to accomplish the installation work, we got permission from Education Department and the District Magistrate to allow our trucks to enter school premises.

Table 3: School list for Phase I of Agra bio-toilet installation project

| S.No. | School name | No. of units | Area |
|-------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Primary School, Nagla Padma | 1 | Sewla Sarai |
| 2 | Uppe Primary School, Chhalesar | 1 | Kuberpur |
| 3 | Primary School, Nandpura Kanya | 1 | Sewla, Tajganj |
| 4 | Primary School, Taal Firoz Khan | 1 | Gopalpura |
| 5 | Primary School, Nagla Fakeer Chand | 1 | Idgah Bus Station |
| 6 | Primary School, Basai Kala | 1 | Tajganj |
| 7 | Primary School, Basai Khurd | 1 | Tajganj |
| 8 | Upper Primary School, Krishna Colony | 1 | Jeevni Mandi |
| 9 | Primary School, Islam Nagar | 1 | Tedhi Bagia |
| 10 | Primary School, Hari Bhawan Kanya | 1 | Tajganj |

An Unexpected Challenge

On our way from Vikas Khand to Tajganj for the transport of toilet materials to Primary School Taal Firoz Khan, a cable wire was severely damaged. We have paid for these damages. After many other challenges, the toilet unit was successfully installed at Primary School Taal firoz Khan, Tajganj. (See Figure 4)





Figure 4: Bio-toilet unit at Primary School Taal Firoz Khan - Tajganj

VI. Book Distribution

Area of work: Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Team Sewa distributed text books for the academic year 2018-19 at Primary School Aazad Nagar, Nader ganj, Ward Sarojini Nagar (See figure 5). Children were joyous to receive their new books. It was heartwarming to see a parent who came to receive the copies on behalf of his sick son. We are planning to distribute books to other schools in Lucknow in the future.



Figure 5: Book Distribution at Primary School, Aazad Nagar



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